Book Policy Manual

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Student Safety

The Board believes that students have the right to be protected in all facets of the education program and directs the Superintendent/designee to develop and maintain a safety instruction program for all students. Safety instruction in the District includes:

- 1. establishing appropriate safety rules;
- 2. learning how to practice safety and prevent accidents;
- 3. learning how to safely use and properly care for tools and equipment so as to reduce the potential for accidents;
- 4. developing habits of good housekeeping, proper storage and handling of materials, and sanitation;
- 5. becoming familiar with personal protection devices and the proper clothing to be worn for safety purposes;
- 6. learning how to cooperate with others in the promotion and operation of a safety program in the schools, on school grounds and in school vehicles;
- 7. instructing students not to accept gifts or automobile rides from strangers. Students are also instructed to tell staff members, parents or law enforcement officials of any suspicious strangers in or around school property;
- 8. providing instruction in personal safety and assault prevention in grades kindergarten through 6. Upon the written request of a parent, a student shall be excused from such instruction and
- 9. providing age-appropriate instruction in dating violence prevention in grades 7-12.

In an attempt to further ensure student safety, staff members:

- shall not send students on errands that would require the student to leave school property and/or drive a vehicle;
- 2. shall not attempt to diagnose or treat a student's personal problem relating to sexual behavior, substance abuse, mental or physical health and/or family relationships;
- shall not disclose information concerning a student, other than directory information, to any person not authorized to receive such information. This includes, but is not limited to, information concerning assessments, ability scores, grades, behavior, mental or physical health and/or family background and
- 4. shall immediately report any suspected signs of child abuse or neglect.

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In addition to instruction in safety, buildings are inspected annually to detect and remedy health and safety hazards. Staff members shall immediately report to the building administrator any accident or safety hazard he/she detects. The Superintendent is authorized and directed to develop appropriate means for the implementation of this policy.

Legal References

ORC 3313.473 ORC 3313.60 ORC 3313.643 ORC 3313.96 ORC 3737.73 OAC 3301-35-06

Cross References

AFI, Evaluation of Educational Resources EB, Safety Program

CBU Chaff Chudant Dalations

GBH, Staff-Student Relations (Also JM)

IGAE, Health Education

IGBLA, Promoting Parental Involvement

JEE, Student Attendance Accounting (Missing and Absent Children)

JFCF, Hazing and Bullying (Harassment, Intimidation and Dating Violence)

JFCH, Alcohol Use by Students

JFCI, Student Drug Abuse

JHG, Reporting Child Abuse and Mandatory Training

JHH, Notification About Sex Offenders

JO, Student Records

NOTE: THIS IS A REQUIRED POLICY

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