

**Policy**

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SAFETY

The chief school administrator shall develop rules governing school safety which shall include but not be limited to: pupil safety in school; care of injured pupils; vehicle safety programs; plant safety including removal and/or encapsulation of asbestos; labeling and storage of hazardous substances; emergency procedures; pupil safety in transit to and from school; and eye protection. In addition, pupils shall be provided with safety instruction in accordance with the law.

Use and Storage of Hazardous Substances

The Haworth Board of Education shall not allow the use of any hazardous substances in or on any of the buildings or grounds of this district when children are present, except in emergencies. A list of substances that are legally exempted from this requirement can be obtained from the chief school administrator.

The chief school administrator shall inform the board when hazardous substances may be used when children are present, and the board shall determine if an emergency situation exists and such use is warranted.

If any hazardous substance is stored on any school site, the chief school administrator shall make available the hazardous substance fact sheet for that substance to any one who requests it.

At least two days prior to the start of any construction activity involving hazardous substances, the chief school administrator shall post on a bulletin board at the school a notice that such construction will take place. The notice will state the activity to be conducted and the hazardous substance(s) to be used.

The chief school administrator shall ensure that all parents/guardians receive a notice at least once a year informing them of the following:

- A. Notice of any construction or other activities involving hazardous substances will be posted on the bulletin board of their children's school;
- B. Hazardous substances may be stored at the school at various times throughout the year;
- C. Hazardous substance fact sheets for any of the hazardous substances being used or stored are available at the school.

Soil Contamination on School Property

The school board, the board of trustees of a charter school, the Superintendent/principal or chief administrator of a private school, as appropriate, shall ensure that notice of soil contamination on school property is provided. Notice will be provided to each parent or guardian of a student enrolled at the school, and to each staff member of the school. Notice will be provided within 10 business days of the discovery of the soil contamination, when the contamination is found by the Department of Environmental Protection or a licensed site remediation professional to exceed the department's direct contact soil remediation standards for residential use.

The notice shall include:

- A. A description of the soil contamination and the conditions under which a student or staff member may be exposed to the contamination;

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- B. A description and timetable of the steps that have been taken and will be taken to ensure that there is no contact by any student or staff member with the contamination;
- C. A description and timetable of the steps that have been taken and will be taken to remediate the soil contamination.

The notice may be provided by:

- A. Written notice sent home with the student and provided to the staff member;
- B. Telephone call;
- C. Direct contact;
- D. Electronic mail.

The district shall also post a copy of the notice in a conspicuous location near the site of the contamination to notify any other users of the school grounds of the existence of the contamination.

Implementation

Rules and procedures implementing this policy shall be reviewed and adopted by the board as required by law and shall be disseminated to staff and pupils annually, and whenever any changes are made.

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Key Words

Safety, Pupil Safety, Employee Safety, Asbestos, Hazardous Materials, Student Safety

<b><u>Legal References:</u></b>	<p><u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:6-2  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:11-1  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:17-42 <u>et seq.</u>  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:40-12.1, -12.2    <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:41-1 <u>et seq.</u>  <u>See particularly:</u>  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:41-5  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:42-1  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:54-20  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 34:5A-1 <u>et seq.</u>  <u>See particularly:</u>  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 34:5A -10.1  through -10.5  <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 34:6A-25 <u>et seq.</u>    <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:23  <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:16-1.4  <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:19-10.1 <u>et seq.</u>  <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:26-1.1<u>et seq.</u></p>	<p>Instruction in accident and fire prevention  General mandatory powers and duties  Public School Safety Law  Protective eye devices required for teachers, pupils  and visitors in certain cases  Fire Drills and Fire Protection    Safety patrol by pupils  Powers of board (county vocational schools)  Worker and Community Right to Know Act    New Jersey Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health  Act  Barrier free subcode of the uniform construction code  District policies and procedures  Safety and Health Standards  Educational Facilities</p>
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See particularly:

- N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.1 et seq.
- N.J.A.C. 6A:27-12.2      Accident reporting
- N.J.A.C. 6A:30-1.1 et seq.      Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts
- N.J.A.C. 6A:32-12.1      Reporting requirements

**Possible**

- Cross References:**
- \*1330      Use of school facilities
  - \*1410      Local units
  - \*3510      Operation and maintenance of plant
  - \*5141.1      Accidents
  - \*5142      Pupil safety
  - \*5142.1      Safety patrols
  - \*6114      Emergencies and disaster preparedness
  - \*6142.12      Career education
  - \*7110      Long-range facilities planning

\*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.