

The Policy Committee approved changes in blue at its public work session on 5/9/24.

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HEALTH AND SAFETY OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

I. Purpose

Policy ADD ~~sets forth~~ **states** the Board of Education's commitment to providing and maintaining a healthy and safe ~~environment~~ **school facilities** for students, staff, and visitors while ensuring compliance with all relevant federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

II. Background

The Board of Education recognizes that a safe and healthy ~~environment~~ **school facility** is a ~~prerequisite~~ **necessary** for teaching and learning. Employees, students, and parents or legal guardians share ~~in the~~ **a** responsibility to provide and maintain a school ~~environment~~ **facility** conducive to ~~a productive work environment~~, optimal learning, achievement, and overall wellbeing.

III. Policy Statement/Procedures

- A. All employees, students, and visitors on owned or leased property of the Board of Education are required to comply with all applicable local, state, and federal health and safety laws and to follow procedures, rules, and guidelines established by the Superintendent and their designees concerning healthy and safe school ~~environments~~ **facilities**.
- B. **The Board of Education will minimize, to the greatest extent possible, the potential health risk to all employees, students, and visitors resulting from the past uses of asbestos-containing materials in schools and other non-educational buildings in accordance with the school system's asbestos management plan. It is the goal of the Board to eliminate this potential health risk through a long-term program of encapsulation or removal of all asbestos-containing materials.**
- C. The Superintendent is authorized to promulgate an administrative regulation to implement this policy.

See also: Policy ADC – “Use and Possession of Tobacco Products”

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