



1.0 POLICY

- 1.1 The Board recognizes its responsibility to take reasonable measures to ensure the safety and welfare of students and staff in the event of emergency situations.
- 1.2 The Board requires procedures to be in place to ensure the safety of students and staff in the event of an emergency situation.

2.0 GUIDELINES

- 2.1 In the case of internal emergencies, (including but not limited to fire, structural collapse, bomb threat, dangerous chemical spills within the buildings, hostage taking, loss of utilities), the principal has the authority to make the final decision regarding school evacuations.
- 2.2 When external emergencies (including but not limited to tornadoes, dangerous chemical spills outside the school buildings, riots, severe weather conditions or other emergency situations that endanger the school's occupants), the responsibility for evacuating schools will rest with the Superintendent and/or appropriate civil authorities.

References: *Board Policies: D/II/2 - School Operations in an Emergency
G/II/10 - Emergency Preparedness
G/II/2 - Health and Safety
Admin Practice(s): Student Services 1 – Crisis and Critical Incidents
Administration 07 – School Operation in an Emergency
Administration 17 – Health and Safety
School Act:*