

MEDWAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Medway, MA
SCHOOL COMMITTEE POLICY

Policy # 46

Safe Schools

Accidents can result in tragic consequences—bodily harm, loss of school time, property damage, legal action, and even fatality. The School Committee will guard against such occurrences by taking reasonable precautions to protect the safety of all students, employees, visitors and others present on school property or at school-sponsored events.

The Committee will comply with safety requirements established by governmental authorities and will insist that its staff adhere to recommended safety practices as these pertain, for example, to the school facility, special areas of instruction, student transportation, school sports and occupational safety.

The practice of safety will also be considered a facet of the instructional program of the schools. Instruction in accident prevention as well as fire prevention, emergency procedures, traffic safety, bicycle safety and pedestrian safety will be included in the instructional program.

The Superintendent will have overall responsibility for the safety program of the school system. It will be the responsibility of the Superintendent to see that appropriate staff members are kept informed of current state and local requirements relating to fire prevention, civil defense, sanitation, public health, and occupational safety.

Efforts directed toward prevention of accidents will succeed only to the degree that all staff members recognize that preventing accidents is a daily operational responsibility.

Legal Refs.: M.G.L. 71:55C and Acts of 1985c 614 Sec 1
Board of Education 603 CMR 36:00

Cross Refs.: School Bus Safety Program
Student Transportation Policy and Regulations
Staff Personal Security and Safety (Teachers' Contract)
Health Education
Student Safety & Student Handbooks
D.A.R.E.

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