Calvert County Public Schools 1305 Dares Beach Road Prince Frederick, MD 20678

## Policy Statement #1500 (Administration) Regarding Safety and Health

- I. Purpose
  - A. To maintain a comprehensive program of safety and health in order to protect, to the extent practicable, the safety and health of Calvert County Public Schools' students, employees, volunteers, and visitors
- II. Definitions
  - A. <u>School property</u> Any Calvert County Public Schools building and/or grounds, any CCPS leased or owned vehicles, and vehicles contracted for official school business. This includes any location used for co- or extra-curricular activities, including field trips.
- III. Policy Statement
  - A. The Board of Education believes that it has the responsibility to ensure that reasonable precautions are taken to protect the safety and health of individuals who have legitimate business on Calvert County Public Schools' property. Safety and health considerations must be integral to all operations and activities and must involve individuals at every level of the organization.
  - B. The Board of Education, therefore, will maintain a comprehensive safety and health program. This program will include proactive measures to protect the safety and health of individuals with legitimate business on CCPS property, as well as retrospective measures to assess incidents and correct the conditions and factors that compromise safety and health.
  - C. The safety and health program will include appropriate educational and training activities, emergency response and management plans, crisis intervention plans, periodic inspections, timely and appropriate responses to areas of concern, and enforcement of rules designed to ensure the safety of all individuals on school property.

## IV. Delegation of Authority

- A. The Superintendent is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state, and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.
- V. Exceptions
  - A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board, by majority vote, may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with local, state, and federal laws and regulations and the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.

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# VI. Review

A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of four years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.

## VII. Effective Date

A. This policy is effective September 14, 2023.

#### **Citations**

State Law:	Sections 7-401, 7-407, 7408, 7-419, 7-422 of the Education Article of the Annotated
	Code of Maryland; Title 12 of the Public Safety Article of the Annotated Code of
	Maryland; Section 9-410 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland;
	Title 5 of the Labor and Employment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
State Reg.:	COMAR 13A.06.06.01; COMAR 13A.02.02.01-04; COMAR 13A.05.05.05-15; COMAR
	13A.01.04.03
Federal Law:	Occupational Safety and Health Act, 29 USC 654
Federal Reg.:	40 CFR 763, Subpart E; 29 CFR 1910, 1926
Neg. Agr.:	
Other Citation:	

#### **Related Documents**

Memorandum of Understanding with the Board of County Commissioners regarding the use of the Career-& Technology Academy as an animal shelter in times of emergency