

# Houston County Board of Education

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In accordance with board policy, the principal of each school shall develop procedures for keeping school facilities safe and free from hazards.<sup>1</sup>

All employees shall report current and potential hazards to their immediate supervisor(s). Each principal is responsible for seeing that safety is a part of the instructional program of the school as required by law.<sup>1</sup>

The safety program shall include:

- Fire prevention;
- Accident prevention;
- Warning systems;
- Emergency drills;
- Traffic safety;
- Safety inspections;
- First aid; and
- Disaster preparation.

Only students assigned to the school, the staff of the school, parents of students, and other persons with lawful and valid business shall enter onto the grounds or into the buildings of a school during the hours of student instruction. All staff members shall report all persons appearing to be improperly on school premises to the principal.<sup>2</sup>

The principal shall secure assistance from law enforcement officials when he/she deems it necessary in order to maintain order or security. In addition, the Director of Schools or his/her designee shall provide the local law enforcement agency with all safety and security plans.<sup>3</sup>

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Legal References

1. TCA 49-6-804; TCA 49-6-1003
2. TCA 49-6-2008(a), (b)
3. TCA 49-6-804(c)

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Cross References

- Visitors to the School 1.501  
 Emergency Preparedness Plan 3.202  
 Care of School Property 6.311