

Student Welfare

Students' safety will be assured through close supervision of students in all school buildings and grounds during the hours when students are normally present. Such supervision does not include early morning or the time following usual departure, unless students are present for a scheduled activity. Hours when supervision is available shall be included in the student/parent handbook.

The district further assures the following practices:

1. Maintaining a safe school environment; appropriate personnel will be responsible for periodically inspecting the physical condition of all buildings and grounds;
2. Observation of safe practices on the part of school personnel and students, particularly in those areas of instruction or extracurricular activities that offer special hazards;
3. Offering safety education to students as germane to particular subjects such as science, professional technical, health and physical education courses;
4. Providing, through the services of the school nurse, first-aid care for students in case of accident or sudden illness;
5. Providing adequate supervision on the grounds when they are used by students **during school hours**.

In addition, school personnel will be concerned about suspicious strangers loitering in or near school buildings or sitting in parked vehicles nearby. The principal will notify the police if the circumstances warrant such action.

Teachers will instruct students not to accept gifts or vehicle rides from strangers. Students will be instructed to tell teachers, their parents, police or school patrols of any suspicious strangers.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):