Hazardous Materials

Hazardous materials include any substance or mixture of substances posing fire, explosive, reactive, or health hazards including a number of science laboratory chemicals and supplies, common school cleaning materials, spray oven cleaners, cleaning solvents, photo chemicals, soldering flux, some ceramic glazes, oils, and gasoline.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to minimize the use of these materials in the school, including substituting, when possible, non-hazardous materials for hazardous materials and through minimizing amounts of hazardous material used and stored in the school.

To the extent hazardous materials are necessary for educational programs or in school building maintenance, the Superintendent shall develop procedures on:

1. identification and labeling of hazardous materials;
2. use of hazardous materials;
3. storage of hazardous materials;
4. transportation of hazardous materials;
5. disposal of hazardous materials;
6. maintenance of safety data sheets in the Facilities Manager's office;
7. chemical hygiene plans shall be maintained at all schools that have a science laboratory; and
8. training of appropriate staff in procedures and practices enumerated in 1-7 above.

Procedures must comply with applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations pertaining to the safe and proper use, storage, transportation, and disposal of hazardous materials.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes §§ 19a-332 through 19a-332d

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