

SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS

When students are in school, engaging in school-sponsored activities, or traveling to and from school/school sponsored activities on district provided transportation, they are responsible to the school, and the school is responsible for them. School personnel assigned to their supervision serve in loco parentis.

The Board expects all students to be under assigned adult supervision at all times when they are in school, on school grounds, traveling under school auspices, or engaging in school-sponsored activities. School personnel assigned this supervision are expected to act as reasonably prudent adults in providing for the safety of the students in their charge.

To ensure the safety of all students and staff, a Security Alert For Education (SAFE) system has been installed in all classrooms. School personnel in charge of the classroom shall maintain the safety alert button (located on the staff member's microphone) in the on position and on their person at all times when students are present and under their supervision. This ensures that the silent alarm can be activated within seconds. The safety alert button shall be used for emergency purposes, primarily to alert appropriate personnel and request assistance when the following conditions exist:

1. A serious health incident (i.e. seizure, severe accident, etc.).
2. A physical altercation is anticipated or occurs.
3. An individual violating the Civility Policy and/or causing harm to him/herself, others and/or property.
4. An individual enters the school/classroom and appears to be a threat to the safety of others.
5. Any other situation that threatens the health, safety or wellness of students, staff, or others.

The safety alert button, when activated, will notify appropriate personnel and serve as a request for immediate assistance. School administrators or other designated personnel will then provide support to the classroom as needed. The SAFE system will also send a picture to designated devices and will begin recording the classroom events. This will allow the school administrator to appropriately respond to the emergency situation, and contact local law enforcement, if necessary. The video recording may also assist school administration during their investigation.

The safety alert button is found on the staff member's microphone. The microphone will amplify the staff member's voice through the speakers mounted in the classroom. Staff members are strongly encouraged to use the microphone when providing whole group instruction to better serve all students' learning needs.

The safety alert button shall not be used for routine requests that do not constitute the aforementioned emergency situations. Routine requests to the office shall continue to be made using the school intercom system or another messaging procedure identified by school administration. Additionally, video recordings from the Audio Enhancement SAFE system will not be used as part of a performance observation with certified staff.

No teacher or other staff member will leave his/her assigned group unsupervised unless an arrangement has been made with site administration.

Students will only be released to parents/guardians or other authorized persons when under the supervision of school personnel.

Students shall never be transported in the private vehicle of any employee or volunteer unless authorized by an administrator in an emergency situation.

Use of tobacco, alcohol or drugs (as outlined in policies GBBE and GBBU) while supervising students on or off campus is strictly prohibited.

School administration will ensure that anyone who wishes to contact a student during the school day has legitimate reasons, the legal authority to do so, and is unable to conduct this business outside of the school day due to extenuating circumstances.

School personnel will ensure that students are engaged in meaningful, relevant, and applicable learning opportunities that are focused on the Nevada Academic Content Standards and/or other approved state and district standards.

School personnel and volunteers will refrain from any physical contact with students that may cause harm, be construed as demeaning and/or inappropriate towards students. This includes, but is not limited to, any and all contact with the head, face, grabbing of the shoulders or arms, slapping, pinching, kicking, hitting, pushing and etc.

School personnel and volunteers shall never use angry outbursts, yelling or striking/throwing items as a means to intimidate, curb behavior or motivate students. Additionally, items shall never be thrown in the presence of students or towards them in an attempt to gain their attention.

*Employees and volunteers are authorized to use reasonable force to restrain a student only when their behavior poses an immediate threat to themselves, others and/or district property as outlined in policy JGC "Use of Aversive Intervention and Physical and Mechanical Restraints on Students with Disabilities" and NRS 388.471-521.