

7440.01 SCHOOL SAFETY

Accidents are undesirable, unplanned occurrences which often result in bodily harm, loss of school time, property damage, expensive legal action, and even death. Thus, it shall be the policy of the Springfield Township Board of Education to take every reasonable precaution for the safety of the students, employees, visitors and all others having business with this school district. The Board of Education believes that safety education and accident prevention are important to everyone concerned with our school, not only as a protective measure during school hours, but also as an instruction means of developing an appropriate mode of behavior to minimize accidents at all times.

It shall be the responsibility of the district's chief administrative officer to execute this policy in order to have a comprehensive program which will meet the needs of the Springfield Township Board of Education. The responsibility for developing the total safety program should be delegated to a competent, professional staff person who will be directly responsible to the Superintendent. He/She shall be provided with staff, time, budget, authority and title commensurate with the task.

This staff person acting in an advisory capacity to all the heads of major units within the district, shall be responsible for the promotion and development of an aggressive prevention and safety education program for students and professional and non-professional personnel employed by the district.

The general areas of responsibilities include, but are not limited to in-service training, development of accident prevention procedures, accident record keeping, inspection, fire prevention, school site selection, emergency procedures and traffic safety problems related to employees, pupils, and the community.

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