

Descriptor Term: BOMB THREATS

Descriptor Code: EBBCA

Rescinds:

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Previously Approved:

The personnel of the Gulfport School District will cooperate fully with the police in planning and carrying out procedures for dealing with bomb threats. All personnel, including office and switchboard staff and custodians, will be given instructions for carrying out their responsibilities in the event of such situation.

The following procedures will be used as guidelines:

1. the safety of students and personnel will be of primary concern;
2. identification of the person or persons making the threat is of prime importance;
3. immediate reporting of any incident to the Superintendent's and sheriff's offices must be made;
4. the Principal will make the decision to evacuate, complying with any direction given by the Superintendent or any order given for evacuation by the police;
5. establish staff responsibilities for searching the building. The request of an employee to refuse to participate in a search will be honored.
6. Students will not be dismissed from school until the end of the school day. Instead, if evacuated, they will remain in designated areas until the Principal and the police are satisfied that no danger exists. Teachers will remain with their students and be responsible for them.