

DISASTER DRILLS

Southwest Technology Center has a warning system set up which will be used in case of fire, severe weather activity, or other emergencies. Fire and tornado drills shall be performed periodically throughout the school year. Fire drills shall be conducted at least two times each semester. Evacuation plans for fire and storm drills are posted in each room. Each classroom shall have posted a copy of rules, evacuation signals, evacuation routes, and procedures for both fire and tornado emergencies. All teachers and staff members shall make themselves familiar with these procedures. Students are to be familiar with emergency procedures.

Warning for severe weather shall be made by the central office and will be announced over the public address system. If the public address system is disabled, severe weather warning will be an intermittent ringing of the school bell after notifying the fire department of the reason for the fire alarm, to prevent a response from the fire department.

Fire alarms will be sounded by a long, continuous ringing of the school bell. In the event of power failure, a hand bell will be used.

REFERENCE: 63 O.S. §176

CROSS-REFERENCE: Student Handbooks

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*Evacuation of the building to various safe locations in a random order is preferred so that anyone threatening harm will not have prior knowledge of the evacuation route and safe areas.