

SAFETY PROGRAM

It is the policy of the Southwest Technology Center Board of Education to develop rules and procedures which will promote safety in the workplace and which will establish and maintain conditions of work that are reasonably safe and healthful for district employees. Therefore, the superintendent is directed to develop such rules and procedures in accordance with Oklahoma law and the rules of the Oklahoma Department of Labor. The superintendent will designate himself/herself or other person as a district safety coordinator. The rules and procedures developed by the superintendent and approved by this board shall be incorporated into this policy and become a part hereof.

The superintendent will establish procedures in an effort to offer reasonable protection for the safety of students, employees, visitors, and others present on school property or at school-sponsored events. Written plans and procedures will be prepared for the protection of students, faculty, administrators, and visitors from both natural and man-made disasters and emergencies. A copy of the district's disaster/emergency plan will be provided to appropriate local emergency management officials.

Safety is a priority at Southwest Technology Center. Each area of instruction follows safety practices appropriate to that program and in compliance with the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA).

The practice and teaching of safety are required in all programs. In addition, all employees are involved in the practice of fire prevention, emergency procedures, and disaster preparedness. Areas of emphasis shall include, but not be limited to, in-service training, accident record keeping, plant inspection, driver and vehicle safety programs, fire prevention, and emergency procedures in traffic safety problems relevant to students, employees, and the community.

REFERENCE: 63 O.S. §681
70 O.S. §1-107
70 O.S. §24-100

CROSS-REFERENCE: Policy BDFB, Healthy and Fit School Advisory Committee
Policy BDFC, Safe School Committee
Policy BDFD, Healthy and Fit School Advisory Committee/Safe School Committee
Policy CKCA, Emergency School Closings
Policy CKCD, Disaster Plan
Policy FNCD, Harassment
Policy FO-R4, Student Discipline, Threatening Behavior, Regulation
Student Handbooks

NOTE: Burning candles on school property may lead to a potentially dangerous situation. As a result, the State Fire Marshal and the State Department of Education are encouraging school districts to prohibit the burning of candles on school property.

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