

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURES

DISTRICT PRACTICE:

EMERGENCY EVACUATION INCLUDING BOMB THREATS

- 1. <u>Receiving and Tracking Calls:</u>
 - 1.1 The school should ensure that the bomb threat policy checklist attached to this policy is immediately available and known to staff that answer the phone.
 - 1.2 Training for receptionist(s) / staff as it relates to taking calls and the checklist should occur each year.
 - 1.3 The call should be traced using Star 57 (*57).
- 2. <u>Evacuation Procedures</u>:
 - 2.1 Determine safe exits using either primary or alternate routes.
 - 2.2 School is evacuated for the day.
 - 2.3 Principal(s) secure the school building while teachers take attendance as per fire drill procedures.
 - 2.4 Student runners take attendance list to collection point. Runners return to classroom teachers with bomb threat code so that teachers are aware to take students to safe site.
 - 2.5 Teachers take their classes to safe site(s) determined in 'School Evacuation Plan'.
 - 2.6 Principals will call Board Office with names of missing students.
 - 2.7 Safe site(s) will have 'School Site Evacuation Plan' including student/staff names and phone numbers and map of school.
- 3. Principal Communication Responsibilities:
 - 3.1 Administrative Assistant to call RCMP. 9-1-1
 - 3.2 The Principal to call Superintendent or designate.
 - 3.3 Superintendent or designate will execute the Emergency Response procedure

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4. <u>School Site Evacuation Plan</u>:

- 4.1 This is to be developed by each school and should include a checklist of information be completed by the school:
 - name of safe site;
 - current list of students and staff names and phone numbers;
 - method of communication with parents;
 - transportation arrangements;
 - teacher responsibilities for day of Emergency Evacuation/Bomb Threat;
 - method of communication to staff re: day two duties/plans;
 - plans for school site plan to be communicated to staff, TOCs, students and parents at beginning of school year;
 - clear understanding to staff, students and parents that school will be closed for day so that school can be made safe;
 - clear understanding of where the safe site is and how to communicate with safe site(s);
 - clear indication that unless otherwise stated through the media, school will resume the next day;
 - clear indication that RCMP, Administration, District Office and staff reps will consult about the school being safe to re-enter before anyone returns to the school;
 - clear indication that any personal items left in the school will remain until the school is authorized for re-entry;
 - staff debriefing plan after re-entry;
 - info sharing plan for students, parents and community;
 - evacuation process assessment.
- 5. <u>School Search</u>:
 - 5.1 To be conducted by the RCMP and (if applicable) trained volunteer firemen.
 - 5.2 Staff/student list available for RCMP at safe school along with school maps and pictures.



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- 6. <u>School Re-entry</u>:
 - 6.1 No re-entry on the day of the evacuation.
 - 6.2 Expectation that school will be open the day following the evacuation.
 - 6.3 Media notification if the school is not to be open on day two.
 - 6.4 RCMP/Superintendent or designte/Operations Rep/ Staff rep/CUPE rep/Operations rep to meet at call of RCMP to authorize school re-entry for day two.
- 7. Post Evacuation:
 - 7.1 Staff debriefing plan after re-entry.
 - 7.2 Info sharing plan for students, parents, and community.
 - 7.3 Evacuation process assessment.

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