

**SCHOOL BUILDING SAFETY**

The Board of Education recognizes that a safe, secure and healthy school environment is necessary to promote effective learning. The Board will ensure that all school buildings are properly maintained and preserved to provide a suitable educational setting.

**Consistent with the requirements of state law and regulations, the Board will:**

- 1) Appoint a Health and Safety Committee composed of representation from District administration, school staff, bargaining units and parents that shall perform the functions required by section 155.4 of Commissioner's Regulations;
- 2) Review and approve all annual building inspections and building condition surveys;
- 3) Ensure that a building-level emergency response plan has been reviewed and updated annually.
- 4) Take immediate action to remedy serious conditions in school buildings affecting health and safety and report such conditions to the Commissioner of Education;
- 5) Annually conduct visitations by Board members to each school building taking particular notice of any security, safety, or environmental issues that are present and reporting them to the Superintendent of Schools for appropriate action.

The Superintendent of Schools shall be responsible for the development of procedures for investigating and resolving complaints related to the health and safety issues in the District's buildings consistent with requirements of state law and regulations.

**Cross-Ref.:** 7100, Facilities Planning  
7365, Construction Safety  
8130 School Safety Plans  
8220, Buildings and Grounds Maintenance and Inspection

**Ref.:** Education Law §§ 409-d (Comprehensive Public School Building Safety Program);  
409-e (Uniform Code of Public School Buildings Inspection, Safety Rating and Monitoring)  
8 NYCRR Part 155 (Educational Facilities)  
9 NYCRR Parts 600-1250 (Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code)

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