



## Purpose

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of being prepared for various types of emergencies, both natural and human caused, that could occur while school is in session, necessitating the need to implement appropriate plans and procedures to deal with such emergencies.

An emergency is a sudden, unexpected occurrence requiring immediate action to stabilize the situation. Emergencies affecting schools District facilities, and/or District transportation services that may prohibit the intended uses for an unspecified period of time may include earthquake, fire, flood, road closure, hazardous material accident/spill, threat to schools (i.e. bomb threat), violent physical incident or threat, school bus accident, and/or inclement weather.

All schools and work sites will develop, implement, and maintain a Site Emergency Preparedness Plan taking potential larger scale emergency situations into consideration. The District Emergency Procedures and Site Emergency Preparedness Plan will identify and outline the role of the affected staff in an emergent situation.

To this end, it is important that students, employees and parents be knowledgeable about the various emergency plans and procedures in place at a specific work site and for the District, and to be prepared should an emergency occur. All School District 69 sites will follow the District Emergency Procedures and Site Emergency Preparedness Plan.

The Board of Education will endeavor to ensure that staff and students are trained in fundamental emergency procedures, and that District facilities are as safe as possible from hazards.

## References:

- *Administrative Procedure: Emergency Preparedness*
- *District Emergency Procedures*