

CRISIS PREVENTION & EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS

Category: Recommended

*Related Policies: ADD, EB, EBCD, EG, JICK & JLCJA
 Related Administrative Procedures: EBCA-R & EG-R*

The Board recognizes that schools are subject to a number of potentially dangerous events, such as natural disasters, industrial accidents, acts of terrorism, and other violent events. No school is immune from these events no matter the size or location. The Board is committed to the prevention of these events, to the extent possible, in the schools and at school-sponsored activities.

A. Site-specific Emergency Operations Plan (RSA 189:64)/Crisis Prevention and Response Plan. The school shall develop a site-specific school emergency operations plan (“EOP”) based on and conforming with the Incident Command System and the National Incident Management System and pursuant to RSA 189:64.

Each Emergency Operations Plan will address hazards as including, but not limited to: acts of violence, threats, natural disasters, fire, hazardous materials, medical emergencies, and other hazards deemed necessary by the School Board or local emergency authorities. It will also include the crisis prevention and response plan.

If, after such review, the plan remains unchanged, then the Superintendent/Principal shall notify the New Hampshire Department of Safety by October 15 that the plan is unchanged. If an Emergency Operations Plan is updated/revised, the Superintendent/Principal shall submit the updated Emergency Operations Plan to the Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management of the Department of Safety by October 15.

All-hazard and fire evacuation drills shall be conducted annually pursuant to Board policy EBCB

B. Coordination. The Superintendent will establish a relationship with local and state emergency services (e.g., police, fire, ambulance, etc.). Unless otherwise provided in a site-specific EOP, the District-wide Crisis Prevention and Response Plan or the District Communication Plan, the Superintendent, or his/her designee, will serve as the coordinator/liason with these authorities. Additionally, the Superintendent or designated personnel will explore the availability of any training or support provided by the New Hampshire Departments of Education and/or Safety associated with risk assessment, crisis management, and other matters related to this policy.

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Legal References:

RSA 189:64, Emergency Response Plans

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RSA 193-D, Safe School Zones

RSA 193-F, Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention

RSA 200:40-c, Emergency Plans for Sports Related Injuries

N.H. Dept. of Education Administrative Rule, Ed. 306.04(a)(2), Promoting School Safety