POLICY

2009

Support Services

SCHOOL BUILDING SAFETY

The Board of Education recognizes that a safe, secure and healthy school environment is necessary to promote effective learning. The Board is committed to ensuring that all school buildings are properly maintained and preserved and 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 which shall perform the functions listed in Policy 8112, Health and Safety Committee;
- 2. Review and approve all annual building inspections and building condition surveys;
- 3. Take immediate action to remedy serious conditions in school buildings affecting health and safety and report such conditions to the Commissioner of Education; and
- 4. Annually review the school facility report card for each building and report in a public meeting on the status of each item contained in the report card. The report card must provide information on a building's age, size enrollment, useful life, safety rating, visual inspection and building condition survey results, as well as other items prescribed by the Commissioner.

<u>Cross-Ref</u>: 7100, Facilities Planning

7365, Construction Safety

8112, Health and Safety Committee

8220, Buildings and Grounds Maintenance and Inspection

<u>Ref</u>: 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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