

SAFETY DRILLS

Code **EBCB** Issued **10/18**

For the safety of students and district staff, safety drills are conducted throughout the school year. District staff will fully cooperate to carry out all drills and will train students in prompt and orderly evacuation.

Fire Drills

Schools will conduct, at a minimum, two fire drills each school year, one during each semester. Each drill will be conducted in accordance with guidelines developed by the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) and the State Fire Marshal.

Each school will conduct a fire drill in August and January of each year.

Active Shooter/Intruder Drills

Schools will conduct, at a minimum, two active shooter/intruder drills each school year, one during each semester. Each drill will be conducted in accordance with guidelines developed by the SCDE and the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED).

Each school will conduct an active shooter drill in September and an intruder drill in February.

Severe Weather/Earthquake Drills

Schools will conduct, at a minimum, two severe weather/earthquake drills each school year, one during each semester. Each drill will be conducted in accordance with guidelines developed by the SCDE.

Each school will conduct an earthquake drill in October and severe weather drill in March.

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Legal References:

- A. S. C. Code, 1976, as amended:
 - 1. Section 59-17-160 - Model fire and safety policy and program guidelines; posting requirement.
 - 2. Section 59-63-910, *et seq.* - Required public school drills.
- B. State Board of Education Regulations:
 - 1. R43-166 - Student and school safety.