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- I. The safety of pupils, employees and visitors shall be the responsibility of the authorized person in charge of each site owned or operated by the School Board. The supervisor of each site or facility shall cause to be established a school safety team which shall be responsible to identify, prevent and mitigate issues that pertain to safety, security, and emergency management issues and to advance the promotion of safety education and accident prevention program for that site. Committees shall meet a minimum of four times per year, preferably once per grading period.
- II. Schools shall cooperate with the police, sheriff's department, fire department and other agencies promoting safety education.
- III. To assist in carrying out the responsibilities for safety, each principal shall appoint a member of the staff as school safety team coordinator.
- IV. No person shall bring on any School Board premises or have in his/her possession or in his/her vehicle on any School Board property, any firearm, weapon or destructive device unless such weapon is required as part of his/her regular job responsibilities and authorized by Florida Statute and School Board Policy.
- V. School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting. The Superintendent shall develop and implement procedures for timely and accurate reporting of incidents related to school safety and discipline and shall provide training to appropriate personnel in accordance with law and State Board of Education rules. The District will utilize Florida's School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR) Statewide Report on School Safety and Discipline Data to report the 26 incidents of crime, violence and disruptive behaviors that occur on school grounds, on school transportation, and at off-campus, school sponsored events to the Department Of Education.
 - A. The Superintendent will annually report to the Department of Education the number of involuntary examinations, as defined in section 394.455, F.S., that were initiated at a school, on school transportation, or at a school-sponsored activity.
 - B. The Superintendent must certify to the Department of Education that the requirements for timely and accurate reporting of SESIR incidents has been met.
 - C. School principals must ensure that all persons at the school level responsible for documenting SESIR information participate in the on-line training offered by the Department and ensure that SESIR data is accurately and timely reported.

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- VI. Nonmedical School District personnel shall not perform invasive medical services that require special medical knowledge, nursing judgment and nursing assessment, including but not limited to: sterile catheterization, nasogastric tube feedings, cleaning and maintaining a tracheostomy and deep suctioning of a tracheostomy. Nonmedical assistive personnel can perform health related services upon successful completion of child-specific training by a registered nurse. These procedures, which include but are not limited to clean intermittent catheterization, gastrostomy tube feedings, monitoring blood glucose and administering emergency injectable medications, must be monitored by a nurse. A registered nurse shall determine if nonmedical School District personnel shall be allowed to perform any other invasive medical services not listed above.
- VII. A child under the age of sixteen (16) shall wear appropriate headgear as required by law for any equine activity on a public school site. Students shall wear appropriate headgear when participating in an off campus, school sponsored equine activity as required by law.
- VIII. The Superintendent or designee shall require that hazardous conditions found on any School Board property be reported immediately and that reported hazards be investigated and corrected or removed, as appropriate.
- IX. School alarm systems shall be monitored on a monthly basis or more frequently as needed. Any malfunction shall be reported for immediate repair.
- X. The Superintendent shall develop appropriate emergency management and emergency preparedness plans. Emergency plans shall include notification procedures for weapon use and hostage situations, hazardous materials and toxic chemical spills, weather emergencies, and exposure resulting from a manmade emergency.
- XI. The School Board delegates to the Chief of the Sarasota County Schools Police (SCSPD) Department the authority to develop and implement appropriate General Orders relating to the administration of the SCSPD. These General Orders must comply with State law and may not be inconsistent with the provisions of any School Board Policy or collective bargaining agreement(s) between the School Board and any bargaining unit representing members of the SCSPD.
- XII. The District shall annually conduct a self-assessment of safety and security practices. Based upon this self-assessment and other concerns, if applicable, the Superintendent shall present appropriate recommendations to the School Board for increasing safety and security and the School Board shall take such actions as it deems necessary and appropriate to address safety and security in the District or at individual sites.

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- XIII. With the approval of the School Board, the Superintendent is authorized to install metal detectors and other security devices which would assist in the detection of guns and dangerous weapons in school buildings and/or on District property.

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