Policy

**SAFETY DRILLS**

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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, monthly fire drills. Each drill will be conducted in accordance with guidelines developed by the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) and the State Fire Marshal.

*[Optional: Add additional district information here.]*

**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).

The district will utilize a nationally recognized training method that will be conducted in a manner that is developmentally appropriate for all participants. All drills will be inclusive and necessary accommodations for participants with disabilities will be provided. To the extent possible, all school personnel will participate in active shooter/intruder drills. All personnel will receive active shooter/intruder and security training, at minimum, twice per year.

*[Optional: Add additional district information here.]*

**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.

*[Optional: Add additional district information here.]*

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Legal References:

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