

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The Board recognizes its responsibility to provide an environment reasonably secure from known hazards, and recognizes there are many areas of the school operation, from science laboratories and art departments to custodial services and vehicle maintenance, which use a variety of materials that are hazardous.

Hazardous materials include any substance or mixture of substances that poses a fire, explosive, reactive or health hazard as more fully defined by law.

The Board, through the Superintendent, will cause procedures to be created which address the purchase, storage, handling, transportation and disposal of hazardous materials for all school facilities and operations including instructional areas. Emergency response actions and evacuation plans will be coordinated with the procedures.

The procedures will comply with all local, provincial and federal laws and regulations which pertain to the safe and proper storage, transportation and disposal of hazardous materials. In particular, these procedures will recognize and comply with the provisions of the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (W.H.M.I.S.), as legislated. See EBAB-E.

The goal of the procedures will be to set into place an ongoing process by which each location in the Division may administer a program of identifying and managing potentially hazardous materials. Division personnel are encouraged to make less dangerous substitutions for hazardous substances to the extent possible and to minimize the quantities of such substances stored on school property.

The Superintendent will identify a person to evaluate and ensure the labeling of the toxicity of all materials used in the Division in accordance with criteria established.

Appropriate school personnel will be trained to take precautions to prevent accidents and to handle them in the event they do occur.

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