Policy: 8520 Section 8000: Non-Instructional Operations

POLICY TITLE: INSPECTION OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

To ensure the safety and health of children and staff, the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency shall, at least once a year, subject the facilities of the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency to an independent inspection for the purposes of determining whether such facilities comply with safety and health standards and other codes and requirements of Idaho law. The safety inspection will be conducted by a professionally qualified independent inspector or done pursuant to Title 39, Chapter 80, Idaho Code. The safety inspection report shall be provided to the Board of Trustees and to the administrator of the Division of Building Safety for review.

After having the opportunity to review the inspection report, the Board shall identify any unsafe or unhealthy conditions and take the necessary steps to abate such conditions. Should any unsafe and unhealthy conditions remain beyond the school year in which such conditions were reported, the Board shall identify such conditions as not having been abated and take all necessary steps as soon as is practical to abate such conditions.

For purposes of this policy, the term "facilities" means school buildings, administration buildings, playgrounds, athletic fields or any other facilities or property used by schoolchildren or school personnel in the normal course of educational services.

Emergency Evacuation Plan

The Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency shall ensure the safety and health of students and staff by having in place at all times an emergency evacuation plan. The Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency will cooperate and coordinate with city, county, and State emergency personnel. The Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency shall review its emergency evacuation plan annually to determine whether the procedures in place require modification. The Plan will be posted in the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency office as well as in every school building in the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency. The Plan will be provided to each staff member at the beginning of the school year. In addition, the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency will educate parents and patrons in the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency by providing periodic information regarding the Plan.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

I.C. § 33-1613 Safe Public School Facilities Required IDAPA 08.02.03.160 Safe Environment and Discipline

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