



POLICY SECTION 802: Safety Programs

POLICY

The Ahkwesahsne Mohawk Board of Education intends to maintain a safe environment for all students, staff and visitors using the school buildings or grounds. The Director of Education shall establish procedures and protocols needed to ensure the safety of all students, staff and visitors while on the premises of any of the facilities operated by the Board.

GUIDELINES

1. Reference shall be made in teacher plans to the procedures that have been developed for an on-going, preventive safety program in courses or areas of the school where accidents are likely to occur. Teachers are required at the beginning of each course to instruct all students regarding safe conduct and the proper and safe operation of all equipment and supplies. They are further required to review such procedures periodically.
2. Safeguards shall be provided in special-activity areas through:
 - a) careful housekeeping;
 - b) approved installation and maintenance of equipment;
 - c) prominently posted federal, provincial and local safety regulations;
 - d) displaying, where appropriate, information regarding possible hazards, safeguards, precautions and treatments.
3. No teacher or supervisor shall leave a special-activity area for any reason without first ensuring that all power equipment is shut-off, and all experiments are stopped until such time as he/she returns. No teacher shall leave the gymnasium without suspending potentially dangerous activities.
4. Science teachers shall conduct an annual review of all chemicals and apparatus in use in school programs to determine their continued safety.
5. No piece of equipment shall be used that does not conform to existing safety standards in effect at the time.
6. The teacher or supervisor shall report to the Principal of the school any defects in buildings or equipment, which might prove injurious to the health, and safety of employees, pupils or other person. Children should also learn to report health and safety hazards to their teachers or School Principal.