

Policy of the Lancaster Board of Education

Students

**EMERGENCY PLANS
(SAFETY RESPONSE PLANS)**

In order to provide a safe and secure environment in which teachers can teach and students can learn, school district personnel must plan for the management of crises or emergencies that cannot be predicted or prevented. Appropriate planning and management on the part of school administrators and staff can provide for the anticipated needs of those involved and can reduce or eliminate the negative consequences of emergency situations.

Building Principals shall be responsible for developing an appropriate safety response plan for their assigned building and for organizing a school safety response team. Safety response plans shall be developed in consultation with staff, students, parents, law enforcement and other local emergency service agency officials, and shall be reviewed annually as needed. Each school's safety response plan and a list of school safety response team members shall be on file in the District Office.

Safety response plans shall be communicated to all school staff in order to effectively prepare for maximum safety, efficiency, stability, calmness and communication in the event of an actual emergency or crisis. Students must also understand that contingency preparation and procedures are necessary for their own safety and well-being.

CROSS REFERENCE:

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