



District Safety Plan

Public Hearing
Board of Education Meeting
January 14, 2025

Requirements for New York State Public Schools

The District-Wide Safety and Emergency Management Plan was developed pursuant to Commissioner's Regulation 155.17 and NYS Education Law 2801 and requires:

- An annual public hearing with 30-days public comment period following the hearing;



Update per NYSED as of July 15, 2024

On Monday, July 15th, the State Board of Regents approved the proposed updates to 155.17 law. In addition to the proposed amendments that were announced several months ago, revisions to the amendments were made as a result of feedback received from stakeholders. These changes went into effect on July 31, 2024.

In response to these last-minute changes made by NYSED, the public hearing of the District Safety Plan was held on August 20, 2024 and approved by the Board of Education, to ensure compliance with amendments.

- ***This second public comment period and hearing/approval addresses the late regulatory changes required by NYSED last summer.***
- ***Four additional public comments that have been considered, but no changes to our plan are recommended.***



Elements of the District Safety Plan

- **Section 1: General Considerations & Planning Guidelines**
 - An overview of the purpose of the plan
 - The role of the District Safety Team and the Building Emergency Response Teams
 - The members of the District Safety Committee
- **Section 2: Risk Reduction/Prevention and Intervention**
 - Prevention and Intervention Strategies
 - Trainings for Employees
- **Section 3: Response**
 - Notification and Activation of Communication Systems
- **Section 4: Communication with Others**
 - Local and County emergency organizations, agencies and governmental offices that can assist in our plans and/or in the event of an emergency
- **Section 5: Recovery**
 - A summary of the Continuity of Operations
 - Continuity of Instruction
 - Mental Health Supports



Amendments to Section 155.17

- Students and staff must be informed when a school is conducting a drill, except evacuation drills
- Notice of drills to parents/guardians within one week before drill
- Drills should be conducted on different dates and days of the week, and time of day



Comments from the Public

- Four total comments from the public



Comprehensive School Safety is:

