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The Superintendent is responsible for ensuring the District's Emergency Response Plan conforms with the requirements of RSA 189:64 and addresses hazards including, but not limited to: acts of violence, threats, natural disasters, fire, hazardous materials, medical emergencies, and other hazards deemed necessary by the School Board or local emergency authorities. The emergency response plans will be based on and conform to the Incident Command System and the National Incident Management System.

The School Board directs the Superintendent to develop site-specific emergency response plans for each school building, to have each plan reviewed annually prior to September 1, and to submit the emergency response plans or if the annual review does not change the plan, notice that the review has been completed to the Department of Education no later than September 1st each year.

The Superintendent is authorized to provide a current building schematic floor plan in digital format to the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management of the Department of Safety.

The Superintendent is responsible for ensuring that at least two times per year, the District conducts emergency response drills. The Superintendent will establish a relationship with local and state emergency and law enforcement authorities. The Superintendent or his/her designee will serve as a coordinator/liaison with these authorities.

Legal References:

RSA 189:64, Emergency Response Plans

Appendix: EBCA-R

Revised: September 2017

NHSBA note, September 2017: Policy revised to require annual submission of the emergency plan in accordance with House Bill 233, Laws of 2017, Chapter 14. Emergency Response Plans were previously submitted to the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Planning, now they must be submitted to the Department of Education. The Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Planning has confirmed they work closely with and will have access to the plans through the Department of Education.

NHSBA note, September 2014: Policy is re-written in its entirety to reflect legislative changes to RSA 189:64. Changes are also made to the Legal References.

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