Students BP 5142(a)

## **SAFETY**

The School Board places a high priority on safety and on the prevention of student injury. The district shall make reasonable effort to ensure the safety and proper conduct of students from the time they come under school supervision until they leave school supervision, whether on school premises or not. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures as necessary to protect students from dangerous situations.

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(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3515 - School Safety and Security)
(cf. 3515.2 - Intruders on Campus)
(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)
(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 6114 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
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Personnel responsible for releasing a student from school custody shall exercise extreme diligence to prevent such release to any unauthorized or unidentified person.

## **Playgrounds**

The Board recognizes that playgrounds present children with visible challenges which they may choose to take in order to test their skills and courage. Playground equipment shall be carefully selected and installed, so that while presenting such challenges, it minimizes accidents and present no unseen hazards. Safety shall receive prime consideration whenever playgrounds are planned or upgraded.

The principal or designee shall ensure that playgrounds and other school facilities are regularly inspected, well maintained, and adequately supervised whenever in use by students during the school day or at school-sponsored activities. The principal or designee shall establish playground safety rules.

## **Conflict Resolution**

Providing young people with knowledge and skills to settle disputes peacefully is a critical component of an effective disciplinary and safety program. Students who possess skills in negotiation, mediation, and consensus decision making are able to explore peaceful solutions to conflict and to resolve these conflicts in a non-violent manner. The Superintendent shall implement and maintain a conflict

## **SAFETY** (continued)

resolution strategy for District students. The strategy will provide conflict resolution education and resources to students to learn skills in the nonviolent resolution and mediation of conflicts. The strategy should identify and teach effective approaches for students to follow in reporting and resolving conflicts.