

BLOOMSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT Policy Manual
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Section: OPERATIONS
Title: EMERGENCY EVACUATION OF SCHOOLS
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805. EMERGENCY EVACUATION OF SCHOOLS

- .1 The following guidelines shall apply to emergencies that affect the operation of the schools of the district.
- .2 The district’s system of emergency preparedness shall ensure that:
 - .21 the health and safety of students and staff are safeguarded
 - .22 the time necessary for instructional purposes is not unduly diverted
 - .23 minimum disruption to the educational program occurs
 - .24 students are helped to learn self-reliance and trained to respond sensibly to emergency situations.
- .3 All threats to the safety of the schools shall be identified by appropriate personnel and responded to promptly in accordance with the plan for emergency preparedness as promulgated by the Superintendent consistent with these guidelines.
- .4 The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the handling of school emergencies, which include:
 - .41 a plan for the prompt and safe evacuation of the schools and safe dispersal of students from school property, which shall be practiced monthly in fire drills, conducted in accordance with the law.
 - .42 the conduct of bus evacuation drills twice a year in accordance with law.
 - .43 a plan for the sequestration of students in a safe place other than the school.

- .44 the immediate notification of appropriate administrative personnel whenever any employee becomes aware of an emergency or impending emergency.
- .45 cooperation with local agencies such as police department, fire department, and civil defense.