

## Policy 7440 - SECURITY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PREMISES

The Board of Education believes that the buildings and facilities of this district represent a substantial community investment. The Board directs the development and implementation of a plan for district security to protect that investment.

The district security program will include the maintenance of facilities secure against unwelcome intrusion; protection against fire hazards and faulty equipment; and the observation of safe practices in the use of electrical, plumbing, and heating equipment. The Board directs close cooperation of district officials with local law enforcement officers, fire fighters, the sheriff's office, and insurance company inspectors.

Personal access to school buildings and grounds outside the hours school is in session shall be limited to personnel whose employment requires their presence in the facility. An adequate key control or electronic card access system will be established to limit building access to authorized personnel and guard against the potential of intrusion by unauthorized persons who have obtained keys or electronic access cards improperly.

Protective devices designed to be used as safeguards against illegal entry and vandalism may be installed when appropriate. The Board may approve the employment of security guards in situations in which special risks are involved.

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