

## School Safety Plan

### Rationale:

Indiana state standards for education require that all schools have a safety plan in place for crisis situations. The Nyack School District of New York School Safety Plan includes all of the pieces necessary for a successful school safety plan. The document includes all of the information necessary for a comprehensive school-wide plan for responding to an emergency.

### Indiana State Board of Education Rules for Safe Schools

#### 511 IAC 6.1-2-2.5 Safe schools and emergency preparedness planning

Authority: IC 20-19-2-8; IC 20-31-4-17

Affected: IC 20-31-4-1

Sec. 2.5. (a) Each school corporation shall, in consultation with local public safety agencies, develop a written emergency preparedness plan for the school corporation and each school in the corporation. An emergency preparedness plan shall, at a minimum, contain the following:

- (1) Appropriate warning systems.
- (2) Procedures for notifying other agencies and organizations.
- (3) Posting of evacuation routes.
- (4) Emergency preparedness instruction for staff and students.
- (5) Public information procedures.
- (6) Steps that will be taken prior to a decision to evacuate buildings or dismiss classes.
- (7) Provisions to protect the safety and well-being of staff, students, and the public in case of:
  - (A) fire;
  - (B) natural disaster, such as tornado, flood, or earthquake;
  - (C) adverse weather conditions, such as winter storms or extreme heat;
  - (D) nuclear contamination, such as power plant or transport vehicle spills;
  - (E) exposure to chemicals, such as pesticides, industrial spills and contaminants, laboratory chemicals, and cleaning agents; and
  - (F) manmade occurrences, such as student disturbance, weapon, weapon of mass destruction, contamination of water supply or air supply, hostage, and kidnapping incidents.

(b) Within sixty (60) days after the beginning date of each school year, the superintendent shall certify to the department that the emergency preparedness plans for the school corporation and each school in the school corporation have been reviewed and revised, if necessary. Within sixty (60) days of opening a new or significantly remodeled school, the superintendent shall certify to the department that a new plan has been developed or that the existing plan has been reviewed and revised, if necessary.

(c) Emergency preparedness plans shall be available for inspection by the department. (*Indiana State Board of Education; 511 IAC 6.1-2-2.5; filed Aug 28, 1998, 4:58 p.m.: 22 IR 91; readopted filed Sep 7, 2004, 5:10 p.m.: 28 IR 323*)