

Multnomah Education Service District

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Emergency Drills

The MESD and each school administrator will conduct emergency drills in accordance with the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes

Students served in MESD facilities shall participate in emergency procedures. The emergency procedures shall include drills and instruction on fires and earthquakes, which shall include tsunami procedures in a coastal zone and safety threats.

Instruction on fires, earthquakes, safety threats, and tsunami dangers¹ and drills for students shall be conducted for at least 30 minutes each school month. The MESD will conduct monthly fire drills. At least one fire drill will be held within the first 10 days of the school year. At least two drills on earthquakes and two drills on safety threats shall be conducted each year.

Fire Emergencies

Drills and instruction on fire emergencies shall include routes and methods of exiting the MESD facilities.

Earthquake and Tsunami Emergencies

Drills and instruction for earthquake emergencies shall include the earthquake emergency response procedure of “cover and hold” during the earthquake. When based on the evaluation of specific engineering and structural issues related to a building, the MESD may include additional response procedures for earthquake emergencies.

Drills and instruction on tsunami emergencies shall include immediate evacuation after an earthquake, when appropriate, or after a tsunami warning to protect students against inundation by tsunamis.¹

Safety Threats

Drills and instruction on safety threats shall include appropriate actions to take when there is a threat to safety, such as lockdown procedures or other procedures appropriate to the safety threat.

Special drill activities may be planned by each building administrator to ensure orderly movement and placement of students and staff in the safest available building area.

¹This is required language for ESDs in a coastal zone that operate a school.

Local units of government and state agencies associated with emergency procedures training and planning shall review the emergency procedures.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 336.071](#)

[ORS 476.030\(1\)](#)

[OAR 581-024-0275](#)

OREGON STATE FIRE MARSHAL, OREGON FIRE CODE (2014).

Cross Reference(s):

GBE - Staff Health and Safety