

FAYETTEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICIES

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5.37 – EMERGENCY DRILLS

All schools in the District shall conduct fire drills at least monthly. Tornado drills shall also be conducted not fewer than three (3) times per year ~~with at least one each in the months of September, January, and February.~~ The District encourages the involvement of hospitals and local emergency personnel in these drills. Students who ride school buses, including those students who only ride buses during field trips, shall also participate in emergency evacuation drills at least twice each school year.

The District shall annually conduct an ~~active shooter~~ **lockdown** drill and school safety assessment for at all schools in the District schools in collaboration with local law enforcement and emergency management personnel. The **lockdown drill** training will include ~~a lockdown exercise with panic button alert system training~~ **use of the District's emergency communication method with law enforcement.** Students will be included in the drills to the extent that is developmentally appropriate to the age of both the students and grade configuration of the school.

Drills may be conducted during the instructional day or during non-instructional time periods.

Other types of emergency drills may also be conducted to test the implementation of the District's emergency plans in the event of violence, terrorist attack, natural disaster, other emergency, or the District's ~~Panic Button Alert System~~ **emergency communication with law enforcement method.** Students shall be included in the drills to the extent practicable.

Legal References: A.C.A. § 12-13-109
 A.C.A. § 6-10-110
 A.C.A. § 6-10-121
 A.C.A. § 6-15-1302
 A.C.A. § 6-15-1303
 A.C.A. § 6-15-1304

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