

## **BOMB THREATS**

### **Background**

The District recognizes its role in providing programs that address the personal and physical safety and well-being of students.

The District will provide safety programs for its students in the area of emergency procedures. It recognizes the value of student awareness in these matters and supports educational programs designed to heighten this awareness.

### **Procedures**

1. Bomb threats will be treated seriously, depending on the nature of the call or other warning. The Superintendent or designate will be immediately informed.
  - 1.1 The Principal, in consultation with the Police Department and the Superintendent or designate, will make the initial evaluation of the threat and order immediate evacuation procedures, if required. Any decision not to evacuate must be cleared immediately with the Superintendent or designate.
  - 1.2 911 is to be contacted immediately for assistance, if required.
  - 1.3 Reasons for the evacuation would not normally be made known to the students.
  - 1.4 If a search of the building is requested by a police or fire department officer, participation by District personnel will be on a voluntary basis.

Legal Reference: *Sections 20, 22, 65, 85 School Act*