

## **4.37—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. Students who ride school buses, shall also participate in emergency evacuation drills at least twice each school year.

The District shall annually conduct a lockdown drill at all schools in the District in collaboration with local law enforcement, medical professionals, fire department officials, and emergency management personnel. The lockdown drill training will include 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 for 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 emergency communication with law enforcement methods. 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  
                              Ark. Division of Academic Facilities and Transportation Rules Governing  
                              Maintenance and Operations of Ark. Public School Buses and Physical Examinations  
                              of School Bus Drivers 4.03.1

Additional References:ASBA Model Policies

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