

Crisis Management

The Charter Board acknowledges the necessity of preparing a school response framework to adequately prepare school personnel, parents, and the community to respond to a crisis that involves the school community. Crisis situations that could impact the charter school may or may not occur on school property and include but are not limited to suicide, death, acts of violence, trauma, natural disaster, and accident.

As an important component of school safety planning, the charter school shall take the necessary steps to be in compliance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS), as that system applies to school districts, by July 1, 2010.

The administrator or a designee shall develop and implement a School Safety, Readiness and Incident Management Plan (safety plan) that coordinates with any statewide or local homeland security plans already in place. The safety plan shall incorporate the requirements of state law. The safety plan shall be done in conjunction with the charter school's local community partners including fire departments, law enforcement agencies, emergency medical service personnel, mental health organizations and local public health agencies.

The safety plan shall provide guidance about how to prevent, prepare for and respond to various crisis situations; a process for coordinating and communicating with law enforcement and other outside service agencies; and protocols for communication with the media, parents/guardians, and the public. The administrator or designee shall establish a training program for all charter school employees as an important part of the school safety plan.

The administrator shall appoint a safety plan coordinator who shall work with the administrator to develop the safety plan, recruit and supervise teams, coordinate inservice programs for teams and all staff members, serve as a liaison between central office and staff, and serve as a liaison between the charter school, the district, and local emergency agencies. The coordinator shall be responsible for providing copies of the charter school's current safety plan developed pursuant to this policy to local emergency agencies on a regular basis.

Automated external defibrillator requirements

If the charter school acquires an automated external defibrillator (AED), the charter school shall meet the training, maintenance, inspection and physician involvement requirements of C.R.S. 12-21-108.1(3).

LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. 12-21-108.1(3) (*requirements for persons rendering emergency assistance through the use of automated external defibrillators*)
C.R.S. 22-1-125 (*automated external defibrillators requirements must be referenced in safety, readiness and incident management plan*)
C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (4) (*school response framework is a required part of safe schools plan*)

CROSS REFS.: GBGAA*, Staff Training in Crisis Prevention and Management
JLCE First Aid and Emergency Medical Care
JLDBG, Peer Mediation
JLDBH, Suicide or Other Traumatic Loss of Life

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