

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS INSPECTION

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to conduct inspections of all school buildings for the purpose of finding and correcting any conditions that constitute a hazard to health and safety.

Structural Inspections

Each school year, a team composed of the Director of Facilities, the building custodian, and other appropriate persons shall conduct a visual structural inspection of all school buildings occupied by students.

If this inspection discloses evidence of a possible defective structural condition, the Board shall retain a licensed architect or engineer to inspect the condition and determine if structural modifications are necessary.

The Board shall then take appropriate action to correct any deficiencies. Reports of these inspections will be available to the public upon request.

Fire Inspections

The Board directs the Superintendent of Schools to ensure that all school buildings undergo an annual inspection for potential fire hazards. The inspection must be conducted by a qualified fire inspector. Any violation of the State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code shall be corrected immediately or within a time frame approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Fire inspection reports will be maintained in the District Office. The Board will issue a public notice of the filing within 20 days of that action.

Other Inspections

Building Principals shall, on an annual and as needed basis, undertake their own inspections of school buildings and grounds, searching for any dangerous or hazardous conditions.

Ref: 8 NYCRR §155.3; 155.4, 155.8
NYS Education Law §807-a

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