

MINGO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

700.11 Safety Policy

Safety is everyone's business. It shall be the policy of Mingo County Schools to provide a safe and healthy workplace for all employees, which in turn protects the safety of all employees, students and the general public. Mingo County School employees are entitled to work in an environment free from unsafe conditions and unnecessary hazards.

Accidents are undesirable, unplanned occurrences which can result in serious bodily harm, loss of time, property damage, and legal issues. It shall be the policy of Mingo County Schools to take every reasonable precaution for the safety of its employees. Everyone, including administrators, teachers and service personnel, has a role and responsibility in maintaining a safe workplace that will protect the assets of the Mingo County Schools, the safety of its employees, students and members of the general public. These responsibilities include such activities as establishing safe workplaces, following safe practices, limiting exposure to potential liability and loss, and carrying out the steps necessary to maintain and effective and efficient risk management and loss control program. Safety is important to everyone, not only as a protective measure during working hours, but also as an appropriate mode of behavior to minimize accidents at all times.

In addition, many employees operate board owned vehicles as part of their jobs. Employees are expected to operate vehicles safely to prevent accidents which may result in injuries and property loss. It is the policy of Mingo County Schools to provide and maintain a safe working environment to protect our employees and the citizens of the communities where we conduct business from injury and property loss. Mingo County Schools considers the use of vehicles part of the working environment. Mingo County Schools is committed to promoting a high level of safety awareness and responsible driving behavior in its employees. These efforts and the commitment of employees will prevent vehicle accidents and reduce personal injury and property loss claims.

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