

# POLICY

## BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

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OFFICE OF ACADEMICS, DIVISION OF SCHOOL SECURITY

### EMERGENCY PLANS

#### A. PURPOSE

To establish procedures for emergency plans in Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) facilities in compliance with State laws and regulations.

#### B. ISSUE

The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County recognizes that the safety of all staff and students is essential. Maintaining emergency plans and procedures to follow at the time of an incident or event helps to minimize complications that AACPS may encounter during an emergency situation or a state of localized, regional, or national emergency as it relates to preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery as determined by the applicable government authorities.

#### C. POSITION

1. In accordance with State laws and regulations, AACPS emergency plans shall comply and align with the *State of Maryland Fire Prevention Code* and Maryland State Department of Education *Emergency Planning Guidelines for Local School Systems and Schools*.
2. AACPS shall coordinate planning, preparation, and response actions for a state of localized, regional, or national emergency as it relates to preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery with the relevant local, State, and federal authorities.

#### D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

**Policy History:** Adopted on 03/05/14; Revised 06/06/18; 02/16/22; 03/05/25

**Note Previous Policy History:** Replaces Policy 707, adopted 07/07/73 and revised 05/20/91 and 01/08/97

**Legal References:** Sections 7-408, 7-435, 7-451, and 7-1510 of the Education Article; COMAR 13A.02.02