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Pursuant to KRS 158.162, the local board of education shall require the school council or, if none exists, the principal in each school to adopt an emergency plan that must be utilized in case of fire, severe weather, earthquake, or a building lockdown and that: establishes evacuation routes; identifies the best available severe weather zones; develops earthquake protocols for students; and, develops and adheres to practices controlling access to the school building. The emergency plan shall be annually reviewed by the council, principal, and first responders and revised as needed.

In addition to the emergency plan requirements in KRS 158.162, KRS 158.164 requires the local board of education to direct the school council or, if none exists, the principal in each school to establish procedures to perform a building lockdown and to invite local law enforcement to assist in establishing lockdown procedures.

KRS 158.162 also requires the emergency plan be discussed with all school staff prior to the first instructional day of the school year and provided, along with a diagram of the facility, to appropriate first responders. Further, the principal in each school shall conduct, at a minimum, the following emergency response drills within the first 30 instructional days of the school year and again during the month of January: one severe weather drill, one earthquake drill, and one lockdown drill. In addition, required fire drills shall be conducted according to administrative regulations promulgated by the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction.

Questions Related to the Adoption and Implementation of the Emergency Plan 1. Has the school council or, where applicable, principal adopted an emergency plan in accordance with local board policy and in compliance with the specifications in KRS

158.162(3) and is a copy maintained on file in the school office?

If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box. Please note that Senate Bill 1 (2019) and Senate Bill 8 (2020) amended KRS 158.162(3)(d) to require, for example, classroom doors remain closed and locked during instructional time (with limited exceptions) as well as classroom doors with windows be equipped with material to quickly cover the window during a building lockdown. Schools are encouraged to comply with these changes as soon as practicable but, if needed, have until July 1, 2022 to fully implement. Accordingly, failure to comply with KRS 158.162(3)(d), as amended, shall be reported for the 2022-2023 school year and each year thereafter.

Yes. The plan is approved by the SBDM Council and reviewed yearly. School staff are trained on the safety/emergency plans at the beginning of every school year. Drills are conducted in fire, tornado, earthquake and lockdown procedures. Results of those drills are analyzed to determine the effecitiveness of the plan. This plan also includes evacuation plans. 2. Has the school provided local first responders with a copy of the school's emergency plan along with a diagram of the school as required by KRS 158.162(2)(b)?

*If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.* 

Yes. First responders helped develop and review the plan to make sure it is effective.

3. Has the school posted primary and secondary evacuation routes in each room by any doorway used for evacuation as required by KRS 158.162(3)(a)?

*If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.* Yes routes are posted in every classroom.

4. Has the school posted the location of severe weather safe zones in each room as required by KRS 158.162(3)(b)?

#### *If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.*

Yes. The plan designates areas for each classroom in case of severe weather.

5. Have practices for students to follow during an earthquake been developed as required by KRS 158.162(3)(c) and is a copy maintained on file in the school office?

#### *If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.*

Yes. The safety plan denotes procedures and routines to follow during an earthquake. Every teacher has a copy of the safety plan and additional copies are kept on file in the main office.

6. Are practices in place to control access to the school building, including but not limited to controlling outside access to exterior doors during the school day; controlling the main entrance of the school with electronically locking doors, a camera, and an intercom system; controlling access to individual classrooms; requiring classroom doors to remain closed and locked during instructional time (with limited exceptions outlined in statute); requiring classroom doors with windows to be equipped with material to quickly cover the windows during a lockdown; requiring all visitors to report to the front office of the building, provide valid identification, and state the purpose of the visit; and providing a visitor's badge to be visibly displayed on a visitor's outer garment as required by KRS 158.162(3)(d)?

*If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.* 

Yes. We have specific procedures for visitors to following before they can enter or access the building.

7. Was the school's emergency plan reviewed following the end of the prior school year by the school council, principal, and first responders and revised as needed as required by KRS 158.162(2)(c) and is a copy maintained in the school office?

Please provide the most recent date of review/revision of the school's emergency plan in the comment box. If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.

Yes. The emergency plan is reviewed by the adminstation team, the council, the principal and first responders as required by statute. A copy of the SBDM minutes and the plan are kept on file in the main office.

8. Did the principal discuss the emergency plan with **all** school staff prior to the first instructional day of the <u>current</u> school year and appropriately document the time and date of such discussion as required by KRS 158.162(2)(d)?

*Please provide the most recent date the school completed this discussion in the comment box. If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.* 

Yes. The emergency and cardiac rescue plans are reviewed to start the school year with all staff.

9. During the first 30 instructional days of the <u>current</u> school year, did the principal conduct at least one severe weather drill, one earthquake drill, and one lockdown drill as required by KRS 158.162(5) and are the drills maintained in the appropriate drill log for the given school year?

*If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.* 

Yes. The drill log is kept on file in the main office as required by statute.

10. During the month of January during the <u>prior</u> school year, did the principal conduct at least one severe weather drill, one earthquake drill, and one lockdown drill as required by KRS 158.162(5) and is a copy maintained on file in the school office?

*If the answer is "no", please explain in the comment box.* Yes. 11. Over the immediately preceding twelve months, did the principal conduct fire drills in accordance with administrative regulations promulgated by the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction as required by KRS 158.162(5)?

*If the school did NOT meet the requirement, respond "no" and please explain further in the comment box.* 

Yes. Drills are held regularly and a log of all drills is kept on file in the main office.

# **Attachment Summary**

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Associated Item(s)