HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY

EBCC False Alarms, Bomb, Active Shooter and Other Such Threats

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Related Policies: EBB Category: Recommended

The Board recognizes that bomb, active shooter or other such violent threats are a significant concern to the schools. Whether the threat is real or a hoax, it represents a likely substantial disruption to the educational mission of the school, as well as potential danger to the safety and welfare of students, staff, and school property.

No person shall make or communicate, by any means, a threat stating the current or future presence of a fire, an explosion, an active shooter, an explosive device, a biological or chemical substance, or other catastrophic emergency on school premises. This prohibition extends to activating any alarm on school property intended to warn of the presence of one or more such threats or conditions when the person activating the alarm knows the threat or condition is not present, or there is no reasonable basis presence of such threat or condition. Making such threats or false alarms will be deemed a violation of the applicable code of conduct, with potential disciplinary action, and will be referred to law enforcement for potential criminal prosecution.

In the event a violent threat is made, or alarm activated, the building Principals/Supervisor shall follow the pertinent procedures set forth in the District Crisis Prevention and Response Plan (see policy EBCA), and the schools' specific Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).

Any decision to re-enter the school or buildings will be made by the Superintendent, or designee, and only after such clearance has been given by the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Legal References

RSA 158:9, Possession of Explosives RSA 644-a False Fire Alarms RSA 644:3 False Public Alarms

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