

Policy 3500 – Risk Management

With respect to the hazards of damage to or loss of property, injury to persons, liability, and associated expenses and income losses, it is the policy of the Cozad Community Schools, District #11, to accomplish the following goals efficiently:

First, to preserve and protect the health and safety of students, and staff; Second, to maintain continuity of education; Third, to protect the Board of Education and its employees against liability claims arising out of the lack of prudent performance of their duties.

It shall therefore be the policy of the Board of Education, School District #11 to: control and limit the use of School District #11 facilities and personnel to assure their use only for approved educational and community purposes under conditions of adequate supervision with regard to the health and safety of persons and the preservation of property; establish provisions for health, safety, and protection of property in all plans and all appropriate procedures including those for construction, maintenance, feeding, transportation, sports and other extracurricular activities, and hiring and training. The execution of this policy requires that the Board of Education insist on the following: having education and training in health and safety and in the care for property included in the educational programs at all levels; setting up continuing plans and procedures for use of alternative facilities in the event that loss or damage makes classrooms or other major facilities unusable; maintaining insurance and contingency funding adequate to assure School District #11's ability to finance the educational program despite loss or claims; providing liability insurance for School District #11 board members and employees; assigning specific responsibility for implementation and effectiveness of this policy to the Superintendent of Schools and an insurance committee composed of insurance representatives from those companies currently carrying the policies for the School District #11. The policies shall be reviewed at least once each three years or as the needs require and such findings shall be reported directly to the Board of Education of School District #11.

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