

LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS SAFETY POLICY v 1.0 Jan 2024

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Introduction

Liberty High School, situated on the fourth floor at 285 King Street, Suite 400, in London, Ontario, prioritizes the safety and security of our school community within the bustling context of a commercial building. This safety policy is custom designed to address the distinctive challenges and dynamics of our urban campus.

Commitment to a Safe Educational Space

Liberty High School is devoted to:

- Ensuring robust security measures are in place, particularly due to our location within a multi-use building.
- Regularly evaluating and mitigating potential safety risks associated with our urban setting.
- Developing emergency procedures that cater to the specifics of occupying a commercial space.

Campus Security Measures

- Security personnel are present at the building's main entrance, with additional staff on our floor during operational hours.
- Surveillance systems are strategically placed at access points to monitor and manage foot traffic.
- Regular collaboration with the building's management ensures that safety measures are comprehensive and up to date.

Health and Well-being

• In addition to promoting physical safety, we emphasize mental health support, recognizing the unique environment our students navigate.

Emergency Preparedness in an Urban Setting

- Customized emergency plans and evacuation drills are regularly practiced, considering the unique challenges of evacuating from an upper-level floor.
- A communication protocol is established to notify parents and emergency services rapidly in case of an incident.

Tailored Safety in a Shared Building

- We coordinate with other tenants and building management to ensure that safety practices are unified and effective.
- Regular building inspections are conducted in partnership with the building's facilities team to maintain high safety standards.

Reporting and Responsiveness

- Clear and accessible reporting channels are established for students and staff to raise safety concerns.
- A responsive and transparent process for addressing reports of safety issues is a cornerstone of our policy.

Safety Training and Education

- Staff are equipped with training to handle security issues unique to a commercial building environment.
- Students receive education on personal safety and emergency response specific to our campus setting.

Continuous Policy Review and Enhancement

- Bi-annual reviews of the safety policy incorporate feedback from the school community, including students, parents, and building management.
- Engaging with local safety officials and experts ensures our practices are in line with the latest standards and recommendations.

Community Responsibility and Policy Enforcement

- The Liberty High School community, including students, staff, and parents, shares the responsibility for maintaining a safe environment.
- Designated safety officers are tasked with enforcing the safety policy and conducting regular assessments to ensure ongoing compliance.

This safety policy reflects Liberty High School's commitment to providing a secure and supportive learning atmosphere at our downtown London campus. Through vigilant planning, collaboration, and adherence to safety best practices, we strive to inspire excellence in education while ensuring the well-being of every member of our school community.