

**Policy 3514: Environmental Safety**

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The Governing Board recognizes its obligation to provide a safe and healthy environment at school facilities for students, staff and community members. The Superintendent or designee shall identify and address potential risks to health and the environment and shall ensure that environmental resources are used in a responsible manner.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations to prevent and/or reduce environmental hazards in accordance with law and state guidelines. Strategies shall include but not necessarily be limited to:

1. Considering air quality in the siting and architectural design of new or remodeled facilities, in the establishment of district standard, and in the selection of building materials and furnishings, and taking steps to reduce indoor air contaminants in maintenance operations
  2. Ensuring the use of effective least toxic pest management practices at all district schools
  3. Minimizing the exposure to lead in paint, soil or drinking water
  4. Inspecting and testing facilities for asbestos-containing materials and protecting persons during encapsulation and removal of any asbestos
  5. Compliance with Federal and State Occupational Safety and Health Standards
  6. Abatement of environment hazards, hazards conditions or substances.
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