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PLAYGROUND

- There should be no sharp points, corners or edges that could hurt someone on the playground.
- Playgrounds and fields should be checked on a regular basis for foreign objects.
- Playgrounds should have adequate protective surfacing in all use zones around play equipment.
- Playground supervision is critical in maintaining playground safety.

BUS

- Use handrails while boarding the school bus.
- While waiting for the bus, stay off the street and away from traffic.
- Never stand up while the bus is in motion.
- If you can't see the bus driver, then he can't see you!
- Look both ways before you cross the street - Look left-right and left again.

RAILROAD

- Stop, look and listen before crossing the tracks.
- Never walk or play on or near the tracks.
- Be aware of warning signs and devices.
- Don't be tempted to try to beat a train.
- Don't get struck on the track.

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"52 Weeks of SAFETY"

Follow These Quick Safety Tips to Ensure Safety at School, Home and Throughout your Daily Lives

The Oregon School Safety Officers Association (OSSOA) and several organizations have teamed up to compile sixty important safety tips. Educate students and staff about safety using these quick tips. Incorporate safety in your school's daily routine and consider including them in your morning announcements, school newsletters or bulletin boards. Empower students and staff by making safety a priority.

GENERAL

- Keep all walking surfaces free of trip/slip hazards.
- Always wash your hands to prevent illness.
- If you see a needle – stay away and call an adult.
- TV's must be secured to their AV carts.
- All paper cutters must be fitted with blade guards.
- Don't get STUNG – stay away from areas that might have bees, wasps or hornets.
- Always use a handrail when going up or down the stairs.
- Stranger Danger – Don't talk to strangers.
- Report all suspicious activity to the teacher right away.
- Paper cutter blades should be kept in the down position.
- Know the emergency procedures for lockout/lock-in and earthquake.
- Never approach a dog or animal that you don't know.
- Keep all laptop computers secure when not in use.
- Extension cords are for temporary use only and must be unplugged every night.
- Cover all manual pencil sharpener blades.
- Make sure all electrical cords are properly grounded.
- Make sure electric pencil sharpeners are protected by GFCI or are a safe distance from water.
- Keep all custodial closets and boiler rooms locked.
- Plug all power strips directly into a wall outlet.
- All electrical cords and outlets should be in good shape.
- Blade guards should always be in place on all power tools.
- All space heaters must have an automatic-tip-over shut off switch and be UL listed.
- Ladders should always be secured to the wall – tip over hazard.

SCIENCE

- Contact lenses should not be worn during chemical experiments.
- SAVE your eyes – use goggles in science class.
- Label all secondary containers with a secondary label.
- Make sure you check for proper disposal procedures on science chemicals.
- Make sure all eye washes are functioning in science classrooms.
- Make sure all science classrooms have fire blankets and emergency gas shut offs.

STAGE

- Nothing can block a fire curtain on the stage.
- All rigging areas on the stage must remain clear at all times.
- Only qualified people should be allowed to use the rigging equipment on the stage.

FIRE

- Make sure all exit lights are in working condition.
- Know your fire drill exit plans and make sure all student areas are posted with fire exit signs.
- Make sure all classroom walls and bulletin board decorations meet fire code.
- Keep fuel load to a minimum. All upholstered furniture should be treated with fire retardant.
- All fire exits must remain open and clear of obstructions at all times.
- Fire pull stations must be accessible at all times.
- Fire exit signs and fire strobe lights must not be obstructed.
- Fire extinguishers must be inspected on a regular basis.
- Maintain good electrical safety and store flammable liquids safely.
- Keep all combustibles away from sources of ignition.

WOODSHOP

- Make sure the students pass a safety test before using the power equipment.
- All machine guards must be in place at all times.
- Eye protection is required when working in the woodshop.
- Use push sticks and have appropriate safety signs at all power stations.

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