Great Falls School District

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

Risk Management

 The Board believes the District must identify and measure risks of loss due to the damage or destruction of District property or to claims against the District by others claiming to have been harmed by the action or inaction of the District, its officials or staff. A risk management program shall be implemented to reduce or eliminate risks where possible, and to determine which risks the District can afford to assume. Such a program shall consider the benefits, if any, of joining with other units of local government for joint purchasing of insurance, joint self-insuring or joint employment of a risk manager. The Superintendent shall assign the primary responsibility for the administration and supervision of the risk management program to a single person. The Board shall review the status of the risk management program on a regularly scheduled basis as per the Superintendent.

The District may purchase surety bonds for the Superintendent, Clerk and such other staff in such amounts as the Board shall from time to time determine to be necessary for honest performance of the staff in the conduct of the District's financial operations.

Security

 Security means not only maintenance of buildings, but also protection from fire hazards, intruders, damage, vandalism, and faulty equipment. The District shall implement safe practices in the use of electrical, plumbing, and heating equipment. The Board requires close cooperation with local police, fire and sheriff departments and with insurance company inspectors.

Access to school buildings and grounds outside of regular school hours shall be limited to staff or individuals who have followed the proper facility use/rental process as outlined in Policies 4330 and 4330R, who have work requiring access. An adequate key control system shall be established which shall limit access to buildings to authorized staff and shall safeguard against the potential entry of unauthorized persons.

Records and funds shall be kept in a safe place and under lock and key when required.

Locks and other protective devices designed to be used as safeguards against illegal entry and vandalism shall be installed when appropriate to the individual situation. Employment of security officers may be approved in situations where special risks are involved. All incidents of vandalism, unauthorized access and burglary shall be reported to the Superintendent or designee immediately and to law enforcement agencies as appropriate.

Cross References

Policy 4330 Community Use of School Facilities

45 Policy 4330R Community Use of School Facilities Regulations

1	Legal Reference:	
2	§ 2-9-101, MCA	Definitions
3	§ 2-9-211, MCA	Political subdivision insurance
4	§ 2-9-501, MCA	Application-bonds excepted
5	§ 2-9-502, MCA	Bonds of Deputies
6	§ 20-6-608, MCA	Authority and Duty of Trustees to Insure District Property
7	§ 20-3-331, MCA	Purchase of Insurance – Self-Insurance Plan
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