

**Bomb Threats**

In the event of a call or notice to the effect that a bomb has been placed in a school, the principal will make an immediate decision as to whether to order the evacuation of the building. Regardless of whether or not the building is evacuated, the principal will inform the police and fire departments of the threat. If the police or fire department recommends evacuation of the building, the principal will order that evacuation.

Whether or not the building is evacuated, a search of the building and/or premises will be conducted with the assistance of police department or fire department personnel if they are on the site.

If, in the course of a search, any object that is suspected of being an explosive is found, the building will be evacuated immediately if this has not already been done. In the event that the building is evacuated, reentry will be permitted only after the police or fire department officials on the site authorize reentry.

The principal shall be guided in handling such threats by the "Guidelines for Handling a Bomb Threat Incident" prepared by the Wallingford Police Department.

As soon as possible, the principal shall notify the superintendent of schools of the threat. Any decision concerning the dismissal of school pupils and subsequent action after the above procedures have been followed is the prerogative of the superintendent of schools.

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