

Health & Safety Attachment 99 Review



**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
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Minnesota Department of Education Role



- School districts in Minnesota follow guidance from the Minnesota Department of Education for school safety
- MDE Attachment 99 lists the safety elements school districts must certify completion with to MDE annually
- MDE Attachment 99 formal approval by the school board is required to be eligible for future year spending.

School District Attachment 99 Requirements



- A district employee is identified to be responsible for health and safety
- A district has a safety committee, written plans and conducts employee training
- Specific responsibilities related to Safety Committee, Indoor Air Quality, Laboratory Safety, Lockout Tagout and Confined Spaces

Health & Safety Funding



- With Attachment 99 compliance the district is eligible to use future H&S funding
- H&S funding is calculated by formula using building square footage or student population
- H&S funding project eligibility is dictated by MN statute
- Eligible H&S projects include physical hazard controls, hazardous substance management, health and safety management, fire and life safety, asbestos and indoor air quality translated to costs of equipment, training, compliance, inspections, and hazardous material disposal
- H&S funding priorities are determined by school district within designated criteria

2008-2009 Health & Safety Highlights



- Employee Injury Summary Data – most common injury types are slip/trip/fall (55) down from (65) last year and muscle strain/back injury (56) up from (49) last year. There was no significant change in injuries reported by employee demographic. Overall, 12 (199) fewer employee injuries were reported this year compared to last year (211).
- Mock OSHA inspections at four sites by Metro ECSU – most common cited violation were permanent extension cords/connected power strips, missing exit signs and infrequent eyewash checks.
- Indoor Air quality CO₂ test data for non-renovated facilities – (14) out of (261) rooms when sampled had CO₂ level slightly above recommended levels, equipment maintenance was performed to help reduce the elevated CO₂ levels.
- Rooms above recommended CO₂ levels by building Cavanagh (4), Hosterman (0), Winnetka (0), Lakeview (1), Northport (7), Pilgrim Lane (2)
- District health and safety employee intranet portal