

Williamson County Board of Education



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ELEMENTARY PLAYGROUND SAFETY

1 Playgrounds are a fundamental part of the child's elementary school experience. Because many
2 factors may affect playground safety, the Superintendent of Schools or appropriate designee will be
3 responsible for providing a blueprint for playground safety. These guidelines establish standards
4 the Williamson County Schools shall achieve in the construction, use, supervision, maintenance,
5 and inspections of outdoor play facilities on Williamson County Schools property.
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8 The goals of these guidelines are :

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- 10 1. Design age appropriate playgrounds.
 - 11 2. Provide proper surfacing under and around playgrounds.
 - 12 3. Provide proper supervision of children on playgrounds.
 - 13 4. Properly maintain playgrounds.
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15 The plan shall be developed in accordance with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission,
16 American Society for Testing and Materials, and the National Program for Playground Safety. All
17 elementary playgrounds shall comply with the American Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines for
18 Building and Facilities.
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21 The plan shall identify responsibilities for the following personnel:

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- 23 ▪ Director of Operations – design of all playgrounds
 - 24 ▪ Business Office – purchasing equipment in accordance with the recommended
25 standards
 - 26 ▪ Maintenance Department – inspect playgrounds monthly; maintain, repair, and
27 remove all playground equipment; provide in-service training for safety inspection
28 and repairs.
 - 29 ▪ Principals and Teachers – provide training for all playground supervisors.
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32 The plan will be on file in the Superintendent of Schools' office. Each school Principal is
33 responsible for maintaining a building copy of the district's plan and assuring compliance with the
34 guidelines established by the Williamson County Schools Board of Education.
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