

Welfare**STUDENT SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTECTION****I. General Responsibilities**

Students are to be furnished safeguards to reduce or eliminate accidents and injuries. All employees responsible for supervision of students and student activities are to take precautions to protect the life, health and safety of every student. Students are required to wear safety devices and protective clothing and will take such safeguards as are necessary to reduce or eliminate accidents and injuries. Refusal or failure by a student to use or wear such devices, or protective clothing or equipment, shall be grounds for appropriate disciplinary action, including prohibiting the student from participation in class activities.

II. Specific Protection and Accident Reporting Responsibilities**A. Eye Protective Devices**

Florida Statute 232.45 requires eye protection devices to be worn by students, teachers, and visitors when involved in an activity likely to cause injury to the eyes.

B. Hair Protection

In educational activities involving rotating machine parts and/or flame, students' hair is to be appropriately banded, tied or placed under headgear or cover to protect the hair from becoming entangled or from catching fire.

C. Foot Protection

Bare feet, sandals or footwear exposing the feet, are not permissible during activities requiring foot protection, such as chemical laboratory work, shop work, photo processing, and other appropriate activities.

D. Other Protection

In those educational activities requiring wearing of gloves, aprons, respirators or protective clothing, and other safety devices to protect against spillage of harmful liquids, vapors and dusts, the appropriate devices, clothing, or equipment are to be provided to students who must utilize or wear them properly.

E. Accident and Injury Reports

In the event a student is involved with an accident or injury, a student accident report will be completed pursuant to the Office of Risk and Benefits Management's Procedures Manual.

Specific Authority: 230.22(2) F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: 230.23(6); 230.33(8); 232.45 F.S.

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