BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

The Board of Education is charged with the care and keeping of all property provided to the district by the public. Research shows that the condition of the district's facilities has an impact on both teaching and learning. Well-maintained facilities improve student achievement, and inadequately maintained facilities have a negative impact on student achievement and staff and student morale. Based on its recognition that student achievement is the top priority in the Richards R-V School District, the Board directs the superintendent or designee to implement a program of preventive maintenance to protect and improve the district=s facilities. The program will include:

- 1. Regularly scheduled inspections.
- 2. Procedures for reporting dangerous conditions.
- 3. Procedures for receiving and responding to requests for repairs. These procedures will include methods for tracking the completion of requested repairs and documenting reasons any repairs are not made.
- 4. Annual evaluation of maintenance staffing needs.
- 5. A cleaning/disinfecting checklist based on best practices for minimizing the spread of disease.
- 6. The use of cleaning products and procedures in accordance with recommendations by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). A list of recommended products and procedures will be provided to each school in the district.

The superintendent and the administrative staff will ensure that all professional and support staff know and follow the proper procedures for the maintenance of school property. Failure of any employee to implement procedures as directed will result in discipline.

Pursuant to state law, the superintendent will direct those responsible for the maintenance of the district's grounds to implement procedures to prevent any noxious weeds located on district property from going to seed. All control methods used will be consistent with any integrated pest management procedures used by the district.

Annual budget recommendations by the superintendent shall include adequate allocations for maintenance of district facilities.

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KH, Public Gifts to the School

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