

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CARSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**POLICY No. 325
CERTIFIED STAFF**

LIABILITY OF STAFF FOR STUDENT WELFARE

Teachers, because of the proximity to children, are frequently confronted with situations which, if handled incorrectly, could result in liability to the District and personal liability to the staff member. It is the purpose of this policy to direct the preparation of guidelines that would minimize the possibility of such liability.

It is the responsibility of the Superintendent to prepare regulations to insure the maintenance of the following standards:

- a) Each teacher must maintain a standard of care for supervision, control and protection of students commensurate with assigned duties and responsibilities
- b) A teacher should not voluntarily assume responsibility for duties s/he cannot reasonably perform. Such assumed responsibility carries the same potential for liability as does assigned responsibility.
- c) A teacher must provide proper instruction in the safety matters presented in assigned curriculum guides.
- d) Each teacher must immediately report to the principal an accident or a safety hazard s/he detects.
- e) A teacher must not send students on any personal errands.
- f) A teacher must not transport students in a personal vehicle without the approval of the principal.
- g) A pupil shall not be required or requested to perform work or services that may lead to injury to his/her person or be detrimental to his/her health.
- h) Pursuant to the laws of the state, each teacher must report to the principal immediately, any sign of suspected child abuse or drug abuse.
- i) A pupil shall not be required to perform work or services in areas where the parent has indicated in writing, that there is a valid religious reason for an excuse from such work or service.

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