



Section 6A: Safe and Inclusive Schools

Policy 6.05: Attendance/Safe Arrival of Students

Supporting Policies:

Supporting Procedures:

[Attendance Safe Arrival of Students - Elementary](#)

Supporting Protocols and Guidelines:

Supporting Templates and Forms:

Other Resources:

Ministry PPM 123 Safe Arrivals

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As student safety is paramount, the Algoma District School Board requires, as per Policy/Program Memorandum 123, that a Safe Arrivals Program (including the related procedures) be in place at every school site that houses any combination of students from Grades JK to 8, to account for a pupil's unexplained failure to arrive at school after each entry during the school day.

Parents/guardians have the primary responsibility to ensure their child's safe arrival at school and to inform the school in a timely manner if a student will be late for, or absent from school at any time. School personnel shall support parents in these efforts, by implementing the Safe Arrival Procedures to assist in monitoring the attendance of students and their safe arrival at school. The school will attempt, in accordance with the Procedures, to contact the parents/guardians whenever an elementary or intermediate school student's absence is unexplained.

For Grades 9-12, staff will take attendance promptly at the start of each class/period. Parents of secondary students shall be notified of absences and/or missed classes/periods through an automated attendance system unless circumstances warrant otherwise.