

**Emergency Preparedness**

**Policy No. 402.14**

The Board of Education, School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes), recognizes the importance of being prepared for various types of emergencies, both natural and human caused, that could occur while school is in session. Appropriate plans and procedures to deal with such emergencies at school facilities or involving school transport need to be in place. To this end, it is important that students, employees and parents be knowledgeable about the various emergency plans and procedures and be prepared should such an emergency occur.

An emergency is a sudden, unexpected occurrence requiring immediate action to stabilize a situation. Emergencies affecting school facilities, school buses and/or school district transport that may prohibit the intended use for an unspecified period of time, may include:

- a) Fire
- b) Hazardous material accident/spills
- c) Threats to schools (i.e. bomb threat)
- d) Violent physical incident or threat
- e) School bus accident
- f) Weather