



Blue Hills Regional Technical School District

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Mandatory Reporting of School Fires by Employees

M.G.L. C. 148, S.2A: Reporting of fires in School

The principal of any public or private school that provides instruction to pupils in any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, shall immediately report any incident involving the unauthorized ignition of any fire within the school building or on school grounds to the local fire department. The principal shall submit a written report of the incident to the head of the fire department within 24 hours on a form furnished by the Department of Fire Services. The report shall be filed without regard to the extent of the fire or whether there was a response by the fire department. The head of the fire department shall report such incident to the marshal in accordance with section 2.

Therefore:

All staff members are required to report any and all fires without regard to the size of or extent of the fire to the school principal as soon as reasonably possible.

This includes all unauthorized fires on school grounds or within the school building.

In the event of a fire the number one priority remains the safety of all people in and around the building. Therefore, this required report should not interfere with your duty alert the fire department or to provide safety for your students and colleagues.