

COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

1. **Purpose:** The Governing Board is committed to conducting operations in compliance with all safety, health, and environmental regulations and to provide a safe and healthful learning environment and workplace for all its students and employees. In support of this commitment, and in accordance with Florida Statute and State Board rule, the Governing Board will provide for two annual inspections of all facilities, except new facilities in their initial one-year warranty period.

2. **Inspections by the Sponsor:**
 - a. **Sanitation and Casualty Inspections:** Once each fiscal year, all educational and ancillary facilities, shall receive a sanitation and casualty inspection to assess compliance with standards prescribed by Florida Statute and State Board of Education rules. Sanitation and casualty inspections shall be conducted by person's proficient with applicable rules and standards in statute. Should the occasion arise where corrections for sanitation and casualty issues may not be readily available or not completed immediately, the Governing Board will work with the Academy President or Management Company Representative and Sponsor to create an appropriate time/task calendar for completing the corrective action.

 - b. **Firesafety Inspection:** All facilities shall also receive an annual fire safety inspection to assess compliance with uniform firesafety standards for educational and ancillary facilities as adopted by the State Fire Marshall. Inspections shall be conducted by persons certified by the Division of State Fire Marshall.
 - i. The Sponsor's Inspection team will work with the Academy President or Management Company Representative, and Governing Board to develop an appropriate time/ task calendar to correct any identified deficiencies. As required by statute, The Sponsor shall submit a copy of the report to the State Fire Marshall and the Chief of the Boynton Beach Fire Department.

 - ii. If Immediate life-threatening deficiencies are noted in any inspection, the Governing Board shall either take action to promptly correct the deficiencies or withdraw the educational or ancillary plant from use until such time as the deficiencies are corrected..

3. **Inspections by Local Authorities:** The Governing Board shall cooperate with local firesafety authorities that are also required by statute to conduct annual firesafety inspections.
 - a. In each firesafety inspection report, the local fire official in conjunction with the Governing Board shall include a plan of action and schedule for the correction of each deficiency.

 - b. If immediate life-threatening deficiencies are noted in any inspection, the Governing Board shall either take action to promptly correct the deficiencies or withdraw the educational or ancillary plant from use until such time as the deficiencies are corrected.

4. **President or Management Company Representative's Responsibility:** The President or Management Company Representative shall ensure that corrective actions are undertaken to eliminate or minimize all hazards identified through sanitation and casualty inspection and firesafety inspections.

4. **Governing Board Responsibility:** The Board shall allocate adequate funding to minimize or eliminate hazards identified through sanitation and casualty inspection and firesafety inspections.

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