

School Fire Exit Drill Information

Every Texas school administrator, including private and parochial, is required to conduct regular fire drills, in compliance with the Fire Exit Drill requirements listed below.

School administrators are required to:

- Conduct, on each campus, at least one fire drill each month that has 10 or more school days.
- Provide all students with developmentally appropriate instruction on fire prevention.
- Complete the annual Fire Exit Drill Report form and keep in school records or school district records for three years.

Mandatory School Fire Exit Drills Save Lives

The Texas State Fire Marshal's Office wants you to know that:

- Fire exit drills teach students the proper procedures for escaping from a school fire. These drills may provide the only formal training in proper fire escape procedures during the rest of their lives.
- Properly conducted and documented school fire drills and fire safety education will save lives and may help lower local fire insurance rates.
- Principals and teachers conduct the required fire exit drills in a serious manner and instruct the students in proper fire safety escape techniques.
- Local fire codes and state fire safety rules require monthly fire exit drills in all schools (public and private), grades K thru 12.
- All students, teachers and staff are required to participate in the monthly fire exit drills.