

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code, Sections 122(b) (14 **Del.C.** §122(b))
14 **DE Admin. Code** 620

PROPOSED

Education Impact Analysis Pursuant To 14 Del.C. Section 122(d)

620 School Crisis Response Plans

A. Type of Regulatory Action Required

Repeal Existing Regulations

B. Synopsis of Subject Matter of the Regulation

The Secretary of Education intends to repeal 14 **DE Admin. Code** 620 School Crisis Response Plans and replace it with a new regulation 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

Persons wishing to present their views regarding this matter may do so in writing by the close of business on or before January 5, 2009 to Susan Haberstroh, Education Associate, Regulation Review, Department of Education, at 401 Federal Street, Suite 2, Dover, Delaware 19901. A copy of this regulation is available from the above address or may be viewed at the Department of Education business office.

C. Impact Criteria

1. Will the amended regulation help improve student achievement as measured against state achievement standards? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

2. Will the amended regulation help ensure that all students receive an equitable education? The amended regulation addresses the school safety audit not equity issues. The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

3. Will the amended regulation help to ensure that all students' health and safety are adequately protected? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

4. Will the amended regulation help to ensure that all students' legal rights are respected? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

5. Will the amended regulation preserve the necessary authority and flexibility of decision making at the local board and school level? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

6. Will the amended regulation place unnecessary reporting or administrative requirements or mandates upon decision makers at the local board and school levels? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

7. Will the decision making authority and accountability for addressing the subject to be regulated be placed in the same entity? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

8. Will the amended regulation be consistent with and not an impediment to the implementation of other state educational policies, in particular to state educational policies addressing achievement in the core academic subjects of mathematics, science, language arts and social studies? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

9. Is there a less burdensome method for addressing the purpose of the regulation? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

10. What is the cost to the State and to the local school boards of compliance with the regulation? The regulation is being repealed and replaced by a new regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 621 District and School Emergency Preparedness Policy.

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4.0 ~~Required School Crisis Response Plan~~

~~Every Delaware public school including Charter Schools and Alternative Program sites shall develop a School Crisis Response Plan and shall conduct at least one practice drill annually. Following practice drills, the districts and heads of charter schools shall ensure that the school safety teams conduct meetings to assess readiness and determine the effectiveness of the existing plans. School Crisis Response Plans shall be developed using guidelines provided by the Department of Education and shall be made available to the Department of Education's Quality Review Team at the time of their visit.~~

~~8 DE Reg. 344 (8/1/04)~~

12 DE Reg. 712 (12/01/08) (Prop.)