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1. Policy statement

The Department of Education (The Department) implements security measures to create a safe environment for staff, students, parents, volunteers and visitors, and to protect school property.

2. Policy rules

Principals must implement security measures in accordance with the School Security for Public Schools Procedures.

Guidance

The Department's Security and Emergency Management Section provides support, advice and consultancy to principals or their nominees on security-related issues.

3. Responsibility for Implementation and Compliance

Principals are responsible for implementation of the policy.

Line managers are responsible for compliance monitoring.

4. Scope

This policy applies to principals.

5. Supporting Procedures

[School Security for Public Schools Procedures](#)

6. Related documents

Relevant legislation or authority

[Australian/New Zealand Risk Management Standard ISO 31000:2018](#)

[Risk Management Guidelines HB 436:2013](#)

[Financial Management Act 2006 \(WA\)](#)

[Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984](#)

[Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996 Public Sector Management Act 1994 School Education Act 1999 \(WA\)](#)

[School Education Regulations 2000 \(WA\)](#)

[Security and Related Activities \(Control\) Act 1996 \(WA\)](#)

[State Supply Commission Act 1991 \(WA\)](#)

[Surveillance Devices Act 1998](#)

[Treasurer's Instruction 825 Risk Management and Security](#)

Related Department policies

[Incident Management on Department of Education Sites](#)

[Occupational Safety and Health](#)

[Risk Management and Business Continuity Management](#)

[Visitors and Intruders on School Premises](#)

Other documents

[Australia and New Zealand Police Recommendations for CCTV systems](#)

[Keeping our Workplace Safe](#)

[Introduction to School Gardening Handbook 2013](#)

[Financial Management in Schools: Assets and Resources Manual](#)

[Fundamentals of cleaning – basic requirements a guide for school cleaners \(staff only\)](#)

[The Principal's Guide to Bushfire](#)

[Western Australia Closed Circuit \(CCTV\) Guidelines](#)

7. Contact information

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Western Australia Police Force

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8. History of changes

Effective date	13 January 2011
Last update date	3 October 2018
Policy version no.	2.1
Notes	Minor changes to include reference to Public schools D18/0151652.

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Notes	This policy has undergone a major review. Approved by the Director General at Corporate Executive on 20 March 2019.

9. More information

Supporting content

Procedure

[School Security for Public Schools Procedures](#)

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