
Identifying School-Based Hazards—School Grounds Mitigation Checklist

This checklist will help you identify hazards that exist on school property and mitigation measures that can be taken. Identifying these potential hazards will provide useful information for planning evacuation routes and assembly areas.

Begin your assessment of the school grounds with the school building itself. Then, assess other structures on the property. Finally, complete your assessment by surveying the grounds themselves.

Surveyed By: _____ **Date Surveyed:** _____

Hazard	Mitigation Measures
<p>School Building:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Long, unsupported roof spans<input type="checkbox"/> Large window panes (especially over exits)<input type="checkbox"/> Heating and air conditioning units<input type="checkbox"/> Overhangs<input type="checkbox"/> Trees or shrubs that require pruning<input type="checkbox"/> Other hazards (List):	
<p>Other Structures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Unsecured portable structures<input type="checkbox"/> Unsecured siding or roofing materials<input type="checkbox"/> Incompatible chemical storage<input type="checkbox"/> Inadequate ventilation<input type="checkbox"/> Other fire hazards (List):	

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<p>Playground/Athletic Fields:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment in need of repair <input type="checkbox"/> Rocks or other material that could cause injury <input type="checkbox"/> Fences in need of repair <input type="checkbox"/> Exposed nails, screws, or bolts <input type="checkbox"/> Other hazards (List): 	
<p>School Grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Trees or shrubs that present a fire hazard or wind hazard or provide areas for an intruder to hide <input type="checkbox"/> Streams in close proximity <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical wires <input type="checkbox"/> Gasoline or propane tanks <input type="checkbox"/> Natural gas lines <input type="checkbox"/> Fences in need of repair <input type="checkbox"/> Other hazards (List): 	