

## **Fire Safety Tips for Public and Private Schools**

- Ensure that fire alarms and sprinkler systems are installed and maintained regularly.**
- Develop and practice a comprehensive fire evacuation plan, making sure all students and staff are familiar with it.**
- Conduct regular fire drills to ensure everyone knows how to evacuate quickly and safely.**
  - Keep all exit routes, fire doors, and emergency exits clear of obstructions.**
- Install emergency lighting in stairwells and corridors to guide people during an evacuation.**
- Ensure that all electrical systems and equipment are properly maintained and inspected regularly to prevent electrical fires.**
  - Store flammable materials, such as cleaning supplies and laboratory chemicals, in approved containers and keep them away from ignition sources.**
- Have fire extinguishers readily available and ensure all staff know how to use them.**
- Implement a no-smoking policy within the school buildings and designate safe smoking areas outside.**
- Train all staff and students in basic fire safety procedures, including the use of fire extinguishers and the importance of reporting fire hazards.**
- Ensure that kitchen areas, if any, follow proper fire safety protocols, including regular cleaning of hoods and vents to prevent grease fires.**
  - Regularly inspect and maintain heating systems to prevent fire hazards.**
- Ensure that fire hydrants and other fire suppression equipment are easily accessible and regularly inspected.**
- Coordinate with local fire departments to ensure a rapid response in case of a fire emergency.**
  - Encourage students to participate in fire safety education programs to increase awareness and preparedness.**