



SAFETY NET

NJSIG'S SAFETY NEWSLETTER



Winter Safety Strategies: Keeping Schools Secure Amid Seasonal Challenges

As winter approaches, schools face unique risks: icy sidewalks, snowstorms, frigid temperatures, and seasonal illnesses. It's an ideal time for administrators, educators, resource officers, and safety teams to review emergency plans, provide winter-specific training, and conduct drills to maintain a safe and resilient learning environment. Below are key topics every school should address now, along with practical suggestions informed by [NJDOE's guidance](#).

Key Areas to Review:

- **Winter Weather Preparedness:**
 - Plan for snow, ice, freezing temperatures and potential power outages. Update all-hazards safety plans to including winter emergencies. Confirm procedures for closures/delayed openings and ensure snow/ice removal materials and equipment are ready.
- **Building Security in Cold Weather:**
 - Cold conditions can impact building access, heating systems and exterior safety. Review vulnerability assessments, check HVAC systems and ensure walkways, parking lots, and bus areas are safely maintained to prevent slips and falls.
- **Safety Drills for Winter Scenarios:**
 - Revisit emergency drill requirements and consider winter-specific situations such as power failures or severe storms. Review and update your district's safety and security plan as required by NJDOE.
- **Effective Communication:**
 - Verify that notification systems are functioning and contact lists are current. Communicate procedures for weather-related closures, early dismissals, and emergency responses clearly and proactively.

For additional winter preparedness resources, visit [NJDOE's School Preparedness & Emergency Planning](#).



2025 SafetyNet Topics: Year In Review

Here are the 2025 SafetyNet safety topics we shared with our members. If you'd like to review past issues or access additional resources, please visit the [NJSIG SafetyNet Archive](#).

Month	Topic
January	Preparing for Winter Weather – CHUBB Boiler Controls & Water Treatment Trainings
February	LEGAL ONE Training – Understanding Evolving Legal Obligations for Schools and Law Enforcement; QPA 2 Ethics Credits
March	NEPHA Hotline – Expert Guidance at Your Fingertips: The NEPHA Hotline
April	Distracted Driving – Distraction-Free Driving: A Safer Road for Everyone
May	CHUBB Risk Engineering – New value-added service; Members will no longer receive boiler invoices for CHUBB processing services
June	<i>No Issue</i>
July	Mold – Don't Let Mold Move Into Your Empty School
August	Sprinkler Head Protections – A Low-Cost Fix for High-Cost Risks
September	Welcome Back to School – Start the School Year Safe & Strong with NJSIG
October	<i>No Issue</i>
November	Winter Weather – Preventing Water and Winter Storm Damage at Your School Buildings
December	Winter Safety

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[Answer Key.](#)



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