



# SAFETY NET

## NJSIG'S SAFETY NEWSLETTER



### Winter Weather Readiness for New Jersey Schools

With an impending arctic blast and winter snowstorm expected to impact New Jersey this weekend, school districts face heightened winter-related risks, including slip-and-fall incidents, property damage, transportation disruptions, and potential power outages. Proactive winter preparedness is essential to minimizing claims, protecting facilities, and maintaining safe learning environments for students and staff. Planning ahead allows districts to respond more effectively to extreme cold, snow accumulation, and other severe winter weather conditions.

#### Risk-Focused Winter Preparedness Tips:

- **Ensure heating systems remain on and set to appropriate minimum temperatures during cold weather, including overnight, weekends, and school closures, to help prevent frozen pipes and related property damage.**
- Review emergency operations and continuity plans, including procedures for delayed openings, closures, and early dismissals.
- Inspect and maintain heating systems, roofs, gutters, and pipes to prevent freeze-related damage and water losses.
- Coordinate snow and ice removal to reduce slip-and-fall hazards on walkways, parking areas, and entrances.
- Ensure clear communication systems are in place to share weather-related updates with staff, families, and transportation partners.
- Monitor weather alerts and forecasts to support timely decision-making and safe operations.

Taking these steps can help reduce winter-related incidents, limit property and liability exposures, and support a safer school environment throughout the season.

Source: <https://nj.gov/njoem/plan-prepare/winter.shtml>

#### Additional resources:

- [Winter Weather Hazard Guidance](#) (State of NJ)
- [Be Ready for Winter Weather](#) (Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety)
- [Winter Storm Action Plan](#) (Liberty Mutual Insurance)
- [Winter Safety Tips](#) (National Safety Council)



## Top Trainings of 2025 for NJSIG Member Districts

**Vector Solutions** training courses continue to be a valuable resource for NJSIG members. Below are the Top 5 training courses from 2025 most frequently utilized by member districts. These courses provide practical, easy-to-understand guidance that supports employee awareness, compliance, and safe work practices.



NJSIG membership provides access to more than 300 online training courses through Vector Solutions, including many courses required by the New Jersey Department of Education. Training progress is tracked in real time, and comprehensive administrative reports are provided to help members easily monitor completion and maintain compliance.

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### BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

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#### Benefits of Membership

New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG) reminds members that your district has access to a wide range of risk control services as part of your membership, including boiler, playground, property, and Pre-QSAC inspections, as well as online defensive driving training.

To request any of these services, please contact [riskcontrol@njsig.org](mailto:riskcontrol@njsig.org).



## Webinars Worth Watching: January 2026

Each month, we will highlight webinars designed to inform and educate members on best practices for preventing losses, promoting safety, and protecting school districts. Don't miss these valuable opportunities to stay ahead of risk!



### Vector Solutions Webinars

Vector Solutions webinars are available to our members as part of NJSIG membership.

- January 20, 2026 at 2 PM: [Email Configuration and Settings in Vector LMS](#)
- January 22, 2026 at 10 AM: [Course Configurations and Creating Custom Courses in Vector LMS](#)
- January 27, 2026 at 2 PM: [Utilizing the Support Center & Community for Vector LMS](#)
- January 29, 2026 at 10 AM: [Data Integration Options for Vector LMS](#)

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