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7.3.7 GT OCGA Emergency Operations and Safety Plan

The intent of this policy is: (1) to provide a safe educational environment for students and a safe working environment for faculty and other staff; (2) to provide a planned and coordinated response to certain acts and occurrences through the use of a Technical College Emergency Operations and Safety Plan; and (3) to establish procedures for plan development and implementation.

Gwinnett Technical College shall develop and implement a Technical College Emergency Operations and Safety Plan to address preparedness for acts of violence, acts of terrorism, accidents, hazardous materials and natural disasters.

Each state Technical College should involve students, employees and representatives of local law enforcement, fire services, emergency medical services, hospitals and emergency management in the planning and development of the Technical College Emergency Operations and Safety Plan. [O.C.G.A. §20-2-1185](#), School Safety, mandates such local involvement in emergency plans developed by elementary and secondary schools and the Technical Colleges are encouraged to participate with their local communities in the development of their plan.

Effective, September 1, 2000, each Technical College shall have a Technical College Emergency Operations and Safety Plan in place to cover operations at both the primary campus and satellite locations as well as off-campus centers.

The Technical College Safety Plan shall also address security issues in school safety zones as designated in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of [O.C.G.A. §16-11-127.1](#), Weapons on Campus.

A copy of the Plan shall be submitted to the Central Office for review.

The Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually by the technical college. The review and update shall occur by May 1 each year.

The Technical College System of Georgia, in consultation with the Georgia Emergency Management Agency, shall develop procedures for the implementation of this policy.

References

[O.C.G.A. §16-11-127.1](#)

[O.C.G.A. §20-2-1185](#)