

AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 101, 207, 305, 2801-a of the Education Law and Chapter 227 of the Laws of 2022.

1. Subdivision (b) of section 155.17 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended by adding a new paragraph (19) to read as follows:

(19) Panic alarm system means a silent security system signal generated by the manual activation of a device intended to signal a life-threatening or emergency situation requiring a response from local law enforcement or, in the case of a school building located in a municipality in which there is no municipal police department, a location designated by the superintendent of state police and may include one or more of the following: wired panic button or buttons, wireless panic button or buttons or a mobile or computer application.

2. Clause (b) of subparagraph (xi) paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of section 155.17 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(b) security devices or procedures. District-wide school safety teams shall consider, as part of their review of the comprehensive district-wide safety plan, the installation of a panic alarm system;

3. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of section 155.17 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(iv) establishment of internal and external communication systems in emergencies which may include the installation of a panic alarm system;