



Fires in Seattle Schools

Who & When to Call

There is no such thing as an insignificant fire. Washington state law, Seattle Fire Code and Seattle Public Schools policy all require that any fire on school property be reported to **911** immediately.

When the fire alarm activates:

1. School is evacuated.
2. School staff call **911** to report.
3. Fire department is dispatched to the school.
4. Fire investigator determines cause of the fire and estimated loss.

When a fire is put out by staff or an extinguished fire is discovered:

1. No alarm activated.
2. School staff call **911** to report.
3. Fire department is dispatched to the school and will arrive with no lights or sirens activated.
4. Fire investigator determines cause of the fire and estimated loss.

When a student plays with fire:

School staff should contact Fire Stoppers when there is no actual fire, but a student is involved in "fire play" such as flicking a lighter or lighting matches. Fire Stoppers is a confidential and educational youth fire prevention and intervention program for students and their care givers. For more information contact firestoppers@seattle.gov.