

**CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF  
GROUNDS AND OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT**

*Policy Code:* **9210**

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1 The [Transylvania County Board of Education](#) (the “board”) strives to make the physical grounds  
2 at each school campus part of a safe, orderly, and inviting educational environment. To further  
3 this goal, the principal shall seek opportunities to involve employees, parents, and students at  
4 that school in the decisions related to the school grounds and shall make reasonable efforts to  
5 maintain the grounds and outdoor equipment in a manner consistent with board goals.

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7 The board recognizes that chromated copper arsenate-treated wood (“arsenate-treated wood”)  
8 has been found to pose health hazards to students and has been removed from the marketplace  
9 for residential uses. Thus, the board prohibits the purchase or acceptance of arsenate-treated  
10 wood for future use on school grounds. To the extent possible, the principal or designee shall  
11 ensure that existing arsenate-treated wood in playground equipment is sealed.

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13 The principal shall inspect playgrounds and outdoor equipment for other health and safety  
14 hazards on a regular basis and as required by law and post warnings of any hazards as necessary  
15 to alert the public, staff, and students of those hazards. The principal shall notify the  
16 superintendent immediately of repairs needed to meet safety standards.

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18 Legal References: G.S. 115C-12(34)(a), -36, -47, -524

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20 Cross References: Student Safety (policy 1510/4200/7270)

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