

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

When any playground equipment is installed on Alexandria City School Board property, the Board assumes ownership of that equipment unless specifically stated otherwise by agreement. For this reason, the maintenance of the playground equipment installed by a school will be the responsibility of the Board.

Once installed on Board property, the Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) will have the responsibility to inspect the equipment on a regular basis, not less than annually, and the authority to order its repair or removal from the school property if the equipment is unsafe in any way. The ACPS Facilities and Operations Department may also restrict or deny the use of such equipment until such time as it is restored to safe condition.

Playground equipment is part of the school’s outdoor learning environment. When designing playground equipment, consideration should be given to how the equipment supports equitable access and classroom learning.

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Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, sections 22.1-78, 22.1-79 (3), 22.1-88, 22.1-293.

Guidelines for School Facilities in Virginia’s Public Schools (Virginia Department of Education, September 2013).