

School Safety Requirements for Arizona Charter Schools

Applicable Rules, Regulations, and Statutes

Arizona charter schools are public schools and are required to comply with applicable State school safety laws. The following statutes establish charter school responsibilities related to emergency preparedness and Emergency Operations Planning:

- Arizona Revised Statutes [15-183\(E\)\(1\)](#): Requires each charter school to comply with applicable school safety laws, including development and maintenance of an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) for each school site.
- Arizona Revised Statutes [15-341\(A\)\(31\)](#): Requires every school, including charter schools, to develop an Emergency Operations Plan that meets minimum standards jointly developed by ADE and the Arizona Division of Emergency Management (DEMA).

Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Standards and Resources

To support compliance with the statutes listed above, ADE and DEMA have developed the [Arizona Minimum Requirements for School Emergency Operations Plans](#), which establish the required components and planning standards for school EOPs statewide. Charter schools must ensure that each school site's EOP meets these minimum requirements.

ADE provides EOP development tools, templates, and guidance to assist charter schools in meeting statutory and minimum standard requirements:

[EOP Development Tools, Templates & Resources](#)

This information is provided as a consolidated reference of State-level school safety requirements applicable to Arizona charter schools. Charter schools are responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable federal, State, and local requirements.