



Lead, Serve, Support

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ACCESS TO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT WHEN NEEDED

No one ever goes to work in our schools expecting to use emergency equipment during the day, but we must all do our part to make sure this equipment is readily available, works properly, and is not blocked or obstructed.

EMERGENCY EYE WASH

In the event of getting a foreign body in your eye or getting a chemical in your eye having your emergency eye wash accessible and working properly is key. According to [WAC 296-800](#) eye wash stations must be readily accessible, flush both eyes simultaneously, able to operate hands free, allowing eyes to be held open by user, and deliver .4 gal of water for at least 15 minutes. Eye washes must be tested weekly to ensure they operate properly. Please do not allow your eye wash to degenerate to this condition, keep them looking like this.



FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Portable fire extinguishers are an important first line of defense in the case of a fire in your work area. Fire extinguishers must be serviced and inspected regularly to ensure they are “ready to go” when needed. Monthly the extinguisher should be inspected to make sure it is still accessible and isn’t blocked by items, hasn’t been discharged, the hose is in good condition and the pin is still in place. Annually fire extinguishers must be serviced by a licensed provider to ensure proper operation. Please do not allow your extinguishers to become like the ones below, keep access to them free and unobstructed and if you have a case for one make sure one is in it.



SAFETY MATTERS