

Teacher Protection

Teachers and administrators are held to be “save harmless” under the law from any financial loss arising from any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence which may result from the professional employee’s discharge of his/her duties within the scope of his/her employment and/or under the direction of the Board of Education.

However, to be fully protected, the teacher or employee must complete a full written report of the accident or injury as soon as possible (which Regulations interpret as within the next forty-eight hours). Such reports are also asked of the school nurse and principal concerned when necessary. The Education Law further provides that any notice of claim or legal action must be turned over to the Board or Superintendent’s office by the teacher served within ten (10) days of receipt or the Board is not “subject to the duty imposed.”