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Links	FORM A5220 – 1
Contact	Facility Services

1. Requirements and Obligations

- 1.1 The specifications, design and installation of playground equipment must be submitted to Facility Services for approval using APM A1230 (FORM A1230 –2).
- 1.2 All aspects of playground equipment must comply with the Canadian Standards Association CAN/CSA Z614-98: “Children’s Playspaces and Equipment Standard”.
- 1.3 The principal and staff, along with school council and community groups, will be responsible for the funding source and co-ordination of the project including the ongoing inspections and maintenance costs.
- 1.4 The installation of playground structures will be completed by the supplier/manufacturer. The supplier/manufacturer will verify that the equipment is in compliance with current Canadian Standards Association Standard.
- 1.5 Annual inspections as recommended by CSA and OSBIE will be performed by a certified inspector arranged by Facility Services and funded through the school’s basic budget.
- 1.6 All required repairs arising from inspections will be arranged and completed by Facility Services or contracted services and funded through the school’s basic budget.
- 1.7 Policy 2250, Donations, outlines the acceptance, procedure, ownership and maintenance of donations that supplement the instructional programs.

2. Inspections and Maintenance



2.1 Daily

The principal or designate will perform daily inspections of the equipment during the period the playground is being used. Defects and unsafe conditions must be identified, recorded on the inspection log and a maintenance work order initiated (FORM A5220 - 1).

2.2 Monthly

Facility Services staff will use a preventative maintenance checklist to do monthly inspections of playground equipment and take corrective action. This information will be kept on file at the school.

2.3 Annually

All playground equipment will be inspected in the fall by a certified inspection specialist. In the spring area supervisors will inspect the playground equipment. Reports are maintained by Facility Services and work orders issued to correct deficiencies.

3. Winter Requirements

3.1 Play structures shall not be used during winter conditions when the ground is frozen.

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