Checklist of E/OHS Activities for Playground Safety

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Is the Playground Safety program in place? *Yes No*

Is the Plan current?  *Yes No*

Has the Plan been reviewed this school year? *Yes No*

Surfacing:

X The equipment has adequate protective surfacing under and around it and the surfacing materials have not deteriorated

X Loose-fill surfacing materials have no foreign objects or debris

X Loose-fill surfacing materials are not compacted and do not have reduced depth in heavy use areas such as under swings or at slide exits

General Hazards:

X There are no sharp points, corners, or edges on the equipment

X There are no missing or damaged protective caps or plugs

X There are no hazardous protrusions and projections

X There are no potential clothing entanglement hazards, such as open S-hooks or protruding bolts

X There are no pinch, crush, and shearing points or exposed moving parts

X There are no trip hazards, such as exposed footings on anchoring devices and rocks, roots, or any other environmental obstacles in the play area

Deterioration of the Equipment:

X The equipment has no rust, rot, cracks, or splinters, especially where it comes in contact with the ground

X There are no broken or missing components on the equipment (e.g., handrails, guardrails, protective barriers, steps, or rungs on ladders) and there are no damaged fences, benches, or signs on the playground

X All equipment is securely anchored

Security of Hardware:

X There are no loose fastening devices or worn connections, such as S-hooks

X Moving components, such as swing hangers or merry-go-round bearings, are not worn

Drainage:

X The entire play area has satisfactory drainage, especially in heavy use areas such as under swings and at slide exits

Leaded Paint:

N/A The leaded paint used on the playground equipment has not deteriorated as noted by peeling, cracking, chipping, or chalking

N/A There are no areas of visible leaded paint chips or accumulation of lead dust

General Upkeep of Playgrounds:

X The entire playground is free from miscellaneous debris or litter such as tree branches, soda cans, bottles, glass, etc.

X There are no missing or full trash receptacles

Note: