

## Checklist of E/OHS Activities for Playground Safety

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*Note: City of Hutchinson inspects playgrounds. Records are maintained by the City.*

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

*Note: Playground equipment is inspected weekly. Documentation is maintained in the Activities Manual.*

### Surfacing:

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

Loose-fill surfacing materials have no foreign objects or debris

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:

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

There are no missing or damaged protective caps or plugs

There are no hazardous protrusions and projections

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

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

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:

- The equipment has no rust, rot, cracks, or splinters, especially where it comes in contact with the ground
- 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
- All equipment is securely anchored

Security of Hardware:

- There are no loose fastening devices or worn connections, such as S-hooks
- Moving components, such as swing hangers or merry-go-round bearings, are not worn

Drainage:

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

General Upkeep of Playgrounds:

- The entire playground is free from miscellaneous debris or litter such as tree branches, soda cans, bottles, glass, etc.
- There are no missing or full trash receptacles

*Note: See current list of [Play ground equipment](#). Red set of playground equipment owned by the City of Hutchinson. The yellow and blue set is owned by the Hutchinson School District.*

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