Heat Exposure and Playground Equipment

Helpful Hints

- Shade structures assist in keeping playground equipment a safe temperature for students to use.
- In the absence of shade structures, caution should be used when allowing students on the playground equipment. Most of the structure is metal and direct exposure to the sun will cause temperatures to reach extreme levels.
- To avoid possible heat related injuries and illnesses, an assessment of the equipment and playground area should be done by staff when outdoor temperatures reach above 90 degrees.
- Test equipment temperature with the back of your hand to determine if it is too hot for use.

For additional assistance involving playground equipment contact Safety and Equipment Inspection Services 702-799-6496 Ext. 5631



Additional Resources

- ⇒ CCSD Policy 6114 Extreme Weather/Environmental Conditions
- ⇒ Review the Heat Exposure/Outside Activity memo provided by Health Services. Discuss any concerns with your School Nurse.
- ⇒ Review heat exposure and outdoor activities section of Pub-648, "First Aid/Emergency Guidelines for School Personnel" available at graphics.CCSD.net