

## 1. Background

School Health and Safety Act enacted (former School Health Law revised and new Act enforced from April 2009)

→ “In order for the nation to comprehensively and effectively promote safety measures at every school, the nation will draw up plans and or take the necessary measures to promote school safety.” (Article 3, Clause 2)

## 2. Term

5-year-period from 2012–2016

## 3. Concept Diagram

### ■ Safety Education in Schools

- Problems on safety knowledge and the ability to take action
- Secure sufficient teaching hours, organize education methods and guidance system

#### ☆ Substantive school education

- Foster an eye for safety knowledge, nurture an attitude to take action
- Secure sufficient teaching hours on school safety, implement further effective education methods
- Safety education reflecting on lessons learnt from the Great East Japan Earthquake.

→ Build a safety culture through safety education

### ■ Safety Management in Schools

- Accidents occurring within the scope of school management are on the rise.
- Problems of suspicious trespassers, dealing with traffic accidents.
- Reduce casualties from natural disasters by reflecting on lessons learnt from the Great East Japan Earthquake.

#### ☆ Organize school safety system

- Secure a safety system within schools (providing appropriate facilities, systematic approach)
- Secure safety system with the cooperation of households and the local community

→ Reduce casualties due to accidents and disasters

“Self reliance”  
“cooperation”  
“creativity”

Three keywords describing the basic concepts stipulated in the Secondary-Measures of the Basic Plan on Education Promotion

### ■ Promotion of practical school safety measures

- Develop measures based on safety promotion
  - arrange an information gathering system on accidents and disasters
  - strengthen analytic and investigative functions leading to practical safety management
  - recommendation of good practices (such as ISS)
- Promote school safety initiatives which are practical and scientific

○ Injuries decreasing

○ Deaths  
Aim towards zero deaths as much as possible.

Promotion of comprehensive and effective school safety measures comprehensive and effective

## 4. Measures to promote school safety

### 1. Measures to promote adequate school safety

- foster an attitude of independent action, foster understanding of cooperation, rescue and assistance
- improve education methods
- secure enough teaching hours for safety education
- reconsider how disaster drills ought to be
- safety education tending to the individual needs of each student
- correspondence to online technology
- correspondence to nuclear disasters

### 2. Organizing adequate school facilities

- arrange to secure enough facilities so that schools are safe
- provide adequate safety facilities in the event of an emergency

### 3. Promote systematic safety measures at schools

- draw up school safety plans with sufficient content
- arrange an appropriate personnel system
- school safety checks
- promote teacher training on school safety
- create outline on what to do in the event of a crisis and how to deal with accidents and disasters

### 4. Promote school safety through cooperation with households and local communities

- promote cooperation with local communities
- strengthen cooperation with households

- Increase assembling and providing information on school safety, both in Japan and overseas.
- Cooperate with the National Agency for the Advancement of Sports and Health to strengthen inquiry and analysis on school safety.