**Fire Law**

**School Report of Any Fire to Local Fire Department**

**M.G.L. C 148 s 2A**

M.G.L. C 148, Section 2A.  The principal of any **public or private school** that provides instruction to pupils in any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, shall **immediately** report any incident involving the unauthorized ignition of any fire within the school building or on school grounds to the local fire department.  The principal shall submit a written report of the incident to the head of the fire department within 24 hours on a form furnished by the department of fire services. The report shall be filed without regard to the extent of the fire or whether there was a response by the fire department.  The head of the fire department shall report such incident to the marshal in accordance with section 2.

This form is part of a mandatory reporting requirement under MGL Chapter 71 Section 37L.

**Remember to call 9-1-1 for any fire not already extinguished upon discovery.**