§ 409-a. Eye safety devices for certain students and teachers. 1. The board of education, trustees, principal or other person in charge of every public or private school or educational institution within the state, wherein shops or laboratories are conducted providing instructional or experimental programs involving:

a. Hot solids, liquids or molten metals; or

b. Milling, sawing, turning, shaping, cutting, or stamping of any solid materials; or

c. Heat treatment, tempering, or kiln firing of any metal or other materials; or

d. Gas or electric arc welding; or

e. Repair or servicing of any vehicle; or

f. Caustic or explosive chemicals or materials, shall arrange for and require, in accordance with regulations of the commissioner, that every student and teacher participating in any such program wear eye safety devices at the times and under the conditions prescribed in such regulations.

2. The commissioner shall by regulation prescribe the safety standards to be met before the use of any eye safety device may be required and shall include in such regulations requirements relating to the times and conditions when and under which such eye safety devices shall be worn.

3. Visitors to such shops or laboratories shall be furnished with and required to wear such eye safety devices at the times and under the conditions prescribed in such regulations while in such shops or laboratories.