2012 SBC Code Solution

Classification of Educational Centers
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Code Issue:

What is the appropriate occupancy classification for businesses such as language academies, dance schools and similar educational facilities that have students of all ages, none of whom are full-time students?

Interpretation/Policy:

These schools can be classified as Group B occupancies.

For questions about whether this code solution applies to your project:

- If you have submitted a permit application, contact the Building Code plan reviewer assigned to your application.
- If you have not submitted an application, contact DPD Building Code Technical Support at 206-684-4630 or in person at the Applicant Services Center. Visit the Applicant Services Center website for more information about hours and location at http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Permits/Process_Overview/Location_Hours/default.asp