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Title SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Code 4119.11, 4219.11, 4319.11 BP

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The Governing Board prohibits sexual harassment of district employees and job applicants. The Board also prohibits retaliatory behavior or action against district employees or other persons who complain, testify or otherwise participate in the complaint process established pursuant to this policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

Any district employee or job applicant who feels that he/she has been sexually harassed or who has knowledge of any incident of sexual harassment by or against another employee, a job applicant or a student, shall immediately report the incident to his/her supervisor, the principal, district administrator or Superintendent.

A supervisor, principal or other district administrator who receives a harassment complaint shall promptly notify the Superintendent or designee.

Complaints of sexual harassment shall be filed in accordance with AR 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment. An employee may bypass his/her supervisor in filing a complaint where the supervisor is the subject of the complaint.

Any district employee who engages or participates in sexual harassment or who aids, abets, incites, compels, or coerces another to commit sexual harassment against a district employee, job applicant, or student is in violation of this policy and is subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

The Superintendent or designee shall take all actions necessary to ensure the prevention, investigation, and correction of sexual harassment, including but not limited to:

- 1. Providing training to employees in accordance with law and administrative regulation
- 2. Publicizing and disseminating the district's sexual harassment policy to staff

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

- 3. Ensuring prompt, thorough, and fair investigation of complaints
- 4. Taking timely and appropriate corrective/remedial action(s), which may require interim separation of the complainant and the alleged harasser and subsequent monitoring of developments

All complaints and allegations of sexual harassment shall be kept confidential to the extent necessary to carry out the investigation or to take other subsequent necessary actions. (5 CCR 4964)

Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act, especially:

12940 Prohibited discrimination

12950.1 Sexual harassment training

### LABOR CODE

1101 Political activities of employees

1102.1 Discrimination: sexual orientation

# CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

11021 Retaliation

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# CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs receiving state financial assistance

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# CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

106.9 Dissemination of policy

# **COURT DECISIONS**

<u>Department of Health Services v. Superior Court of California</u>, (2003) 31 Cal. 4<sup>th</sup> 1026

Faragher v. City of Boca Raton, (1998) 118 S.Ct. 2275

Burlington Industries v. Ellreth, (1998) 118 S.Ct. 2257

Gebser v. Lago Vista Independent School District, (1998) 118 S.Ct. 1989

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Title SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Code 4119.11, 4219.11, 4319.11 AR

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### **Definitions**

*Prohibited sexual harassment* includes, but is not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, unwanted requests for sexual favors, or other unwanted verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature made against another person of the same or opposite sex in the work or educational setting when: (Education Code 212.5; Government Code 12940; 5 CCR 4916)

- 1. Submission to the conduct is made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of the individual's employment.
- 2. Submission to or rejection of such conduct by the individual is used as the basis for an employment decision affecting him/her.
- 3. The conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact upon the individual's work or has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment. Regardless of whether or not the alleged harasser was motivated by sexual desire, the conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, pervasive, or objectively offensive as to create a hostile or abusive working environment or to limit the individual's ability to participate in or benefit from an education program or activity.
- 4. Submission to or rejection of the conduct by the other individual is used as the basis for any decision affecting him/her regarding benefits, services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through the district.

Other examples of actions that might constitute sexual harassment, whether committed by a supervisor, a co-worker, or a non-employee, in the work or educational setting include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Unwelcome verbal conduct such as sexual flirtations or propositions; graphic comments about an individual's body; overly personal conversations or pressure for sexual activity; sexual jokes or stories; unwelcome sexual slurs, epithets, threats, innuendoes, derogatory comments, sexually degrading descriptions, or the spreading of sexual rumors
- 2. Unwelcome visual conduct such as drawings, pictures, graffiti, or gestures; sexually explicit emails; displaying sexually suggestive objects
- 3. Unwelcome physical conduct such as massaging, grabbing, fondling, stroking, or brushing the body; touching an individual's body or clothes in a sexual way; cornering, blocking, leaning over, or impeding normal movements

# **Training**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all employees receive training regarding the district's sexual harassment policies when hired and periodically thereafter. Such training shall include the procedures for reporting and/or filing complaints involving an employee, employees' duty to use the district's complaint procedures, and employee obligations when a sexual harassment report involving a student is made to the employee.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Every two years, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that supervisory employees receive at least two hours of classroom or other effective interactive training and education regarding sexual harassment. All such newly hired or promoted employees shall receive training within six months of their assumption of the new position. (Government Code 12950.1)

A *supervisory employee* is any employee with the authority to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, promote, discharge, assign, reward, or discipline other employees, or to effectively recommend such action.

The district's sexual harassment training and education program for supervisory employees shall include the provision of: (Government Code 12950.1; 2 CCR 11023)

- 1. Information and practical guidance regarding federal and state laws on the prohibition against and the prevention and correction of sexual harassment, and the remedies available to the victims of sexual harassment in employment
- 2. Practical examples aimed at instructing supervisors in the prevention of harassment, discrimination, and retaliation
- 3. A component on the prevention of abusive conduct that addresses the use of derogatory remarks, insults, or epithets, other verbal or physical conduct that a reasonable person would find threatening, intimidating, or humiliating, and the gratuitous sabotage or undermining of a person's work performance
- 4. A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and administrative regulation, which each participant shall acknowledge in writing that he/she has received
- 5. All other contents of mandated training specified in 2 CCR 11023

The Superintendent or designee shall retain for at least two years the records of any training provided to supervisory employees. Such records shall include the names of trained employees, date of the training, the type of training, and the name of the training provider. (2 CCR 11023)

### Notifications

A copy of the Board policy and this administrative regulation shall: (Education Code 231.5)

- 1. Be displayed in a prominent location in the main administrative building, district office, or other area of the school where notices of district rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct are posted
- 2. Be provided to every district employee at the beginning of the first quarter or semester of the school year or whenever a new employee is hired

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

3. Appear in any school or district publication that sets forth the school's or district's comprehensive rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct

All employees shall receive either a copy of information sheets prepared by the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) or a copy of district information sheets that contain, at a minimum, components on: (Government Code 12950)

- 1. The illegality of sexual harassment
- 2. The definition of sexual harassment under applicable state and federal law
- 3. A description of sexual harassment, with examples
- 4. The district's complaint process available to the employee
- 5. The legal remedies and complaint process available through DFEH and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)
- 6. Directions on how to contact DFEH and the EEOC
- 7. The protection against retaliation provided by 2 CCR 11021 for opposing harassment prohibited by law or for filing a complaint with or otherwise participating in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing conducted by DFEH and the EEOC

In addition, the district shall post, in a prominent and accessible location, DFEH's poster on discrimination in employment and the illegality of sexual harassment. (Government Code 12950)



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Title DRUG AND ALCOHOL-FREE WORKPLACE

Code 4020 BP

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The Governing Board believes that the maintenance of a drug- and alcohol-free workplace is essential to staff and student safety and to help ensure a productive and safe work and learning environment.

(cf. 4112.41/4212.41/4312.41 - Employee Drug Testing)

(cf. 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers)

An employee shall not unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, or use any controlled substance in the workplace. (Government Code 8355; 41 USC 8103)

Employees are prohibited from being under the influence of controlled substances or alcohol while on duty. For purposes of this policy, *on duty* means while an employee is on duty during both instructional and noninstructional time in the classroom or workplace, at extracurricular or cocurricular activities, or while transporting students or otherwise supervising them. *Under the influence* means that the employee's capabilities are adversely or negatively affected, impaired, or diminished to an extent that impacts the employee's ability to safely and effectively perform his/her job.

(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify employees of the district's prohibition against drug use and the actions that will be taken for violation of such prohibition. (Government Code 8355; 41 USC 8103)

An employee shall abide by the terms of this policy and shall notify the district, within five days, of his/her conviction for violation in the workplace of any criminal drug statute. (Government Code 8355; 41 USC 8103)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the appropriate federal granting or contracting agency within 10 days after receiving notification, from an employee or otherwise, of any conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace. (41 USC 8103)

In accordance with law and the district's collective bargaining agreements, the Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including termination, against an employee for violating the terms of this policy and/or shall require the employee to satisfactorily participate in and complete a drug assistance or rehabilitation program approved by a federal, state, or local public health or law enforcement agency or other appropriate agency.

(cf. 4112 - Appointment and Conditions of Employment)

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4212 - Appointment and Conditions of Employment)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

# **Drug-Free Awareness Program**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about: (Government Code 8355; 41 USC 8103)

1. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace

- 2. The district's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace
- 3. Available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs

(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)

4. The penalties that may be imposed on employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace

# Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

44011 Controlled substance offense

44425 Conviction of controlled substance offenses as grounds for revocation of credential

44836 Employment of certificated persons convicted of controlled substance offenses

44940 Compulsory leave of absence for certificated persons

44940.5 Procedures when employees are placed on compulsory leave of absence

45123 Employment after conviction of controlled substance offense

45304 Compulsory leave of absence for classified persons

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

8350-8357 Drug-free workplace

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7111-7117 Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 21

812 Schedule of controlled substances

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 41

8101-8106 Drug-Free Workplace Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 21

1308.01-1308.49 Schedule of controlled substances

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Cahoon v. Governing Board of Ventura USD, (2009) 171 Cal.App.4th 381

Ross v. RagingWire Telecommunications, Inc., (2008) 42 Cal.4th 920



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Title NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

Code 4030 BP

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The Governing Board is determined to provide district employees and job applicants a safe, positive environment where they are assured of full and equal employment access and opportunities, protection from harassment or intimidation, and freedom from any fear of reprisal or retribution for asserting their employment rights in accordance with law. The Board prohibits district employees from discriminating against or harassing any other district employee or job applicant on the basis of the person's actual or perceived race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, military and veteran status, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sex, or sexual orientation.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 4119.41/4219.41/4319.41 - Employees with Infectious Disease)

The Board also prohibits discrimination against any employee or job applicant in compensation, terms, conditions, and other privileges of employment and the taking of any adverse employment action, including, but not limited to, termination or the denial of employment, promotion, job assignment, or training, against an employee or job applicant based on any of the categories listed above.

(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation) (cf. 4154/4254/4354 - Health and Welfare Benefits)

Prohibited discrimination on the basis of religious creed includes discrimination based on an employee's or job applicant's religious belief or observance, including his/her religious dress or grooming practices. In accordance with Government Code 12940, prohibited discrimination on the basis of religious creed also includes the district's failure or refusal to use reasonable means to accommodate an employee's or job applicant's religious belief, observance, or practice which conflicts with an employment requirement. However, the district shall not accommodate an employee's religious dress practice or religious grooming practice if it requires segregation of the individual from other employees or the public or if it would result in a violation of this policy or any law prohibiting discrimination.

Prohibited sex discrimination includes discrimination based on an employee's or job applicant's pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, or any related medical condition.

(cf. 4033 - Lactation Accommodation)

Harassment consists of unwelcome verbal, physical, or visual conduct that is based on any of the prohibited categories of discrimination listed above and that is so severe or pervasive that it adversely affects an individual's employment opportunities, has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with the individual's work performance, or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment.

(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)

The Board also prohibits retaliation against any district employee or job applicant who opposes any discriminatory employment practice by the district or its employee, agent, or representative or who complains, testifies, assists, or in any way participates in the district's complaint procedures pursuant to this policy. No employee or job applicant who requests an accommodation for any protected characteristic listed in this policy shall be subjected to any punishment or sanction, regardless of whether the request was granted. (Government Code 12940)

Complaints concerning employment discrimination, harassment, or retaliation shall immediately be investigated in accordance with procedures specified in the accompanying administrative regulation.

Any supervisory or management employee who observes or has knowledge of an incident of prohibited discrimination or harassment shall report the incident to the Superintendent or designated district coordinator as soon as practical after the incident. All other employees are encouraged to report such incidents to their supervisor immediately. The district shall protect any employee who does report such incidents from retaliation.

The Superintendent or designee shall use all appropriate means to reinforce the district's nondiscrimination policy. He/she shall provide training and information to employees about how to recognize harassment and discrimination, how to respond appropriately, and components of the district's policies and regulations regarding discrimination. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly review the district's employment practices and, as necessary, shall take action to ensure district compliance with the nondiscrimination laws.

Any district employee who engages in prohibited discrimination, harassment, or retaliation or who aids, abets, incites, compels, or coerces another to engage or attempt to engage in such behavior in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

### Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

CIVIL CODE

51.7 Freedom from violence or intimidation

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

11135 Unlawful discrimination

11138 Rules and regulations

12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act

PENAL CODE

422.56 Definitions, hate crimes

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

11019 Terms, conditions and privileges of employment

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

621-634 Age Discrimination in Employment Act

794 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000d-2000d-7 Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended

2000e-2000e-17 Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended

2000ff-2000ff-11 Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

6101-6107 Age discrimination in federally assisted programs

12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28

35.101-35.190 Americans with Disabilities Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

100.6 Compliance information

104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504

104.8 Notice

106.8 Designation of responsible employee and adoption of grievance procedures

106.9 Dissemination of policy

110.1-110.39 Nondiscrimination on the basis of age

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Thompson v. North American Stainless LP, (2011) 131 S.Ct. 863

Shephard v. Loyola Marymount, (2002) 102 Cal. App. 4th 837



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Title NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

Code 4030 AR

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The district designates the position identified below as its coordinator for nondiscrimination in employment (coordinator) to coordinate the district's efforts to comply with state and federal nondiscrimination laws and to answer inquiries regarding the district's nondiscrimination policies. The coordinator may be contacted at:

Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services 750 E. Main St. El Cajon, CA 92020 (619) 588-3049

### Measures to Prevent Discrimination

To prevent unlawful discrimination, harassment, and retaliation against district employees, volunteers, interns, and job applicants, the Superintendent or designee shall implement the following measures:

- 1. Publicize the district's nondiscrimination policy and regulation, including the complaint procedures and the coordinator's contact information, to employees, volunteers, interns, job applicants, and the general public by: (5 CCR 4960; 34 CFR 100.6, 106.9)
- a. Including them in each announcement, bulletin, or application form that is used in employee recruitment
- b. Posting them in all district schools and offices, including staff lounges and other prominent locations
- c. Posting them on the district's web site and providing easy access to them through district-supported social media, when available
- (cf. 1113 District and School Web Sites) (cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
  - 2. Provide to employees a handbook that contains information that clearly describes the district's nondiscrimination policy, procedures for filing a complaint, and resources available to anyone who feels that he/she has been the victim of any discriminatory or harassing behavior

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

3. Provide training to employees, volunteers, and interns regarding the district's nondiscrimination policy, including what constitutes unlawful discrimination, harassment, and retaliation and how and to whom a report of an incident should be made

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(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

4. Periodically review the district's recruitment, hiring, and promotion processes and regularly monitor the terms, conditions, and privileges of employment to ensure district compliance with law

### **Complaint Procedure**

Any complaint by an employee or job applicant alleging discrimination or harassment shall be addressed in accordance with the following procedures:

1. **Notice and Receipt of Complaint:** A complainant who is an employee shall promptly inform his/her supervisor. However, if the supervisor is the person against whom the employee is complaining, the employee shall promptly inform the coordinator or the Superintendent. A job applicant shall inform the coordinator or the Superintendent or designee.

The complainant may file a written complaint in accordance with this procedure, or if he/she is an employee, may first attempt to resolve the situation informally with his/her supervisor.

A supervisor or manager who has received information about an incident of discrimination or harassment, or has observed such an incident, shall report it to the coordinator, whether or not the complainant files a written complaint.

The written complaint should contain the complainant's name, the name of the individual who allegedly committed the act, a description of the incident, the date and location where the incident occurred, any witnesses who may have relevant information, other evidence of the discrimination or harassment, and any other pertinent information which may assist in investigating and resolving the complaint.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)
(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)
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2. **Investigation Process:** The coordinator shall initiate an impartial investigation of an allegation of discrimination or harassment within five business days of receiving notice of the behavior, regardless of whether a written complaint has been filed or whether the written complaint is complete.

The coordinator shall meet with the complainant to describe the district's complaint procedure and discuss the actions being sought by the complainant in response to the allegation. The coordinator shall inform the complainant that the allegations will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but that some information may be revealed as necessary to conduct an effective investigation.

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(cf. 3580 - District Records)
(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)
(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)
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If the coordinator determines that a detailed fact-finding investigation is necessary, he/she shall begin the investigation immediately. As part of this investigation, the coordinator should interview the complainant, the person accused, and other persons who could be expected to have relevant information.

When necessary to carry out his/her investigation or to protect employee safety, the coordinator may discuss the complaint with the Superintendent or designee, district legal counsel, or the district's risk manager.

The coordinator also shall determine whether interim measures, such as scheduling changes, transfers, or leaves, need to be taken before the investigation is completed to ensure that further incidents do not occur. The coordinator shall ensure that such interim measures do not constitute retaliation.

3. Written Report on Findings and Corrective Action: No more than 30 business days after receiving the complaint, the coordinator shall conclude the investigation and prepare a written report of his/her findings. This timeline may be extended for good cause. If an extension is needed, the coordinator shall notify the complainant and explain the reasons for the extension.

The report shall include the decision and the reasons for the decision and shall summarize the steps taken during the investigation. If a determination has been made that discrimination or harassment occurred, the report also shall include any corrective action(s) that have been or will be taken to address the behavior, correct the effect on the complainant, and ensure that retaliation or further discrimination or harassment does not occur.

The report shall be presented to the complainant, the person accused, and the Superintendent or designee.

4. **Appeal to the Governing Board:** The complainant or the person accused may appeal any findings to the Board within 10 business days of receiving the written report of the coordinator's findings. The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board with all information presented during the investigation. Upon receiving an appeal, the Board shall schedule a hearing as soon as practicable. Any complaint against a district employee shall be addressed in closed session in accordance with law. The Board shall render its decision within 10 business days.

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees) (cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)

### **Other Remedies**

In addition to filing a discrimination or harassment complaint with the district, a person may file a complaint with either the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) or the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). The time limits for filing such complaints are as follows:

- 1. To file a valid complaint with DFEH, within one year of the alleged discriminatory act(s), unless an exception exists pursuant to Government Code 12960
- 2. To file a valid complaint directly with EEOC, within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory act(s) (42 USC 2000e-5)
- 3. To file a valid complaint with EEOC after first filing a complaint with DFEH, within 300 days of the alleged discriminatory act(s) or within 30 days after the termination of proceedings by DFEH, whichever is earlier (42 USC 2000e-5)



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Title EMPLOYEE USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Code 4040 BP

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The Governing Board recognizes that technological resources enhance employee performance by offering effective tools to assist in providing a quality instructional program; facilitating communications with parents/guardians, students, and the community; supporting district and school operations; and improving access to and exchange of information. The Board expects all employees to learn to use the available technological resources that will assist them in the performance of their job responsibilities. As needed, employees shall receive professional development in the appropriate use of these resources.

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)

(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Employees shall be responsible for the appropriate use of technology and shall use district technology primarily for purposes related to their employment.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 - Professional Standards)

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)

(cf. 4119.25/4219.25/4319.25 - Political Activities of Employees)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

(cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)

(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)

District technology includes, but is not limited to, computers, the district's computer network including servers and wireless computer networking technology (wi-fi), the Internet, email, USB drives, wireless access points (routers), tablet computers, smartphones and smart devices, telephones, cellular telephones, personal digital assistants, pagers, MP3 players, wearable technology, any wireless communication device including emergency radios, and/or future technological innovations, whether accessed on or off site or through district-owned or personally owned equipment or devices.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish an Acceptable Use Agreement which outlines employee obligations and responsibilities related to the use of district technology. Upon employment and whenever significant changes are made to the district's Acceptable Use Agreement, employees shall be required to acknowledge in writing that they have read and agreed to the Acceptable Use Agreement.

Employees shall not use district technology to access, post, submit, publish, or display harmful or inappropriate matter that is threatening, obscene, disruptive, sexually explicit, or unethical or that promotes any activity prohibited by law, Board policy, or administrative regulations.

*Harmful matter* includes matter, taken as a whole, which to the average person, applying contemporary statewide standards, appeals to the prurient interest and is matter which depicts or describes, in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct and which lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors. (Penal Code 313)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district computers with Internet access have a technology protection measure that protects against access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors and that the operation of such measures is enforced. The Superintendent or designee may disable the technology protection measure during use by an adult to enable access for bona fide research or other lawful purpose. (20 USC 6777; 47 USC 254)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify employees in writing that they have no reasonable expectation of privacy in the use of any equipment or other technological resources provided by or maintained by the district, including, but not limited to, computer files, email, text messages, instant messaging, and other electronic communications, even when provided their own password. To ensure proper use, the Superintendent or designee may monitor employee usage of district technology at any time without advance notice or consent and for any reason allowed by law.

In addition, employees shall be notified that records maintained on any personal device or messages sent or received on a personal device that is being used to conduct district business may be subject to disclosure, pursuant to a subpoena or other lawful request.

Employees shall report any security problem or misuse of district technology to the Superintendent or designee.

Inappropriate use of district technology may result in a cancellation of the employee's user privileges, disciplinary action, and/or legal action in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action) (cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

### Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

52295.10-52295.55 Implementation of Enhancing Education Through Technology grant program

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

3543.1 Rights of employee organizations

PENAL CODE

502 Computer crimes, remedies

632 Eavesdropping on or recording confidential communications

**VEHICLE CODE** 

23123 Wireless telephones in vehicles

23123.5 Mobile communication devices; text messaging while driving

23125 Wireless telephones in school buses

<u>UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20</u>

6751-6777 Enhancing Education Through Technology Act, Title II, Part D, especially:

6777 Internet safety

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 47

254 Universal service discounts (E-rate)

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 47

54.520 Internet safety policy and technology protection measures, E-rate discounts

**COURT DECISIONS** 

<u>City of Ontario v. Quon et al.</u> (2010) 000 U.S. 08-1332



Section 1000: Community Relations

Title COMPLAINTS CONCERNING DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

Code 1312.1 BP

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The Governing Board accepts responsibility for providing a means by which the public can hold employees accountable for their actions. The Board desires that complaints be resolved expeditiously without disrupting the educational process.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop regulations which permit the public to submit complaints against district employees in an appropriate way. These regulations shall protect the rights of involved parties. The Board may serve as an appeals body if the complaint is not resolved.

(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

The Board prohibits retaliation against complainants. The Superintendent or designee at his/her discretion may keep a complainant's identity confidential, except to the extent necessary to investigate the complaint. The district will not investigate anonymous complaints unless it so desires.

# Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

33308.1 Guidelines on procedure for filing child abuse complaints

35146 Closed sessions

44031 Personnel file contents and inspection

44811 Disruption of public school activities

44932-44949 Resignation, dismissal and leaves of absence (rights of employee; procedures to follow)

48987 Child abuse guidelines

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

54957 Closed session; complaints re employees

54957.6 Closed session; salaries or fringe benefits

# PENAL CODE

273 Cruelty or unjustifiable punishment of child

11164-11174.3 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act

# WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

300 Minors subject to jurisdiction of juvenile court



Section 1000: Community Relations

Title COMPLAINTS CONCERNING DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

Code 1312.1 AR

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The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a complaint should be considered a complaint against the district and/or an individual employee, and whether it should be resolved by the district's process for complaints concerning personnel and/or other district procedures.

(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 4144/4244/4344 - Complaints)

To promote prompt and fair resolution of the complaint, the following procedures shall govern the resolution of complaints against district employees:

- 1. Every effort should be made to resolve a complaint at the earliest possible stage. Whenever possible, the complainant should communicate directly to the employee in order to resolve concerns.
- 2. If a complainant is unable or unwilling to resolve the complaint directly with the employee, he/she may submit an oral or written complaint to the employee's immediate supervisor or the principal.
- 3. All complaints related to district personnel other than administrators shall be submitted in writing to the principal or immediate supervisor. If the complainant is unable to prepare the complaint in writing, administrative staff shall help him/her to do so. Complaints related to a principal or central office administrator shall be initially filed in writing with the Superintendent or designee. Complaints related to the Superintendent shall be initially filed in writing with the Board.
- 4. When a written complaint is received, the employee shall be notified within five days or in accordance with collective bargaining agreements.
- 5. A written complaint shall include:
  - a. The full name of each employee involved
  - b. A brief but specific summary of the complaint and the facts surrounding it
  - c. A specific description of any prior attempt to discuss the complaint with the employee and the failure to resolve the matter
- 6. Staff responsible for investigating complaints shall attempt to resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of the parties involved within 30 days.
- 7. Both the complainant and the employee against whom the complaint was made may appeal a decision by the principal or immediate supervisor to the Superintendent or designee, who shall attempt to resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of the person involved within 30 days. Parties should consider and accept the Superintendent or designee's decision as final. However, the complainant, the employee, or the Superintendent or designee may ask to address the Board regarding the complaint.
- 8. Before any Board consideration of a complaint, the Superintendent or designee shall submit to the Board a written report concerning the complaint, including but not limited to:

- a. The full name of each employee involved
- b. A brief but specific summary of the complaint and the facts surrounding it, sufficient to inform the Board and the parties as to the precise nature of the complaint and to allow the parties to prepare a response
- c. A copy of the signed original complaint
- d. A summary of the action taken by the Superintendent or designee, together with his/her specific finding that the problem has not been resolved and the reasons
- 9. The Board may uphold the Superintendent's decision without hearing the complaint.
- 10. All parties to a complaint may be asked to attend a Board meeting in order to clarify the issue and present all available evidence.
- 11. A closed session may be held to hear the complaint in accordance with law.

(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas) (cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)

12. The decision of the Board shall be final.

Any complaint of child abuse or neglect alleged against a district employee shall be reported to the appropriate local agencies in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)



Section 5000: Students

Title CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND REPORTING

Code 5141.4 BP

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The Governing Board is committed to supporting the safety and well-being of district students and desires to facilitate the prevention of and response to child abuse and neglect. The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement strategies for preventing, recognizing, and promptly reporting known or suspected child abuse and neglect.

The Superintendent or designee may provide a student who is a victim of abuse with school-based mental health services or other support services and/or may refer the student to resources available within the community as needed.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

# **Child Abuse Reporting**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the identification and reporting of known and suspected child abuse and neglect in accordance with law.

(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 - Professional Standards) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Procedures for reporting child abuse shall be included in the district and/or school comprehensive safety plan. (Education Code 32282)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

District employees who are mandated reporters, as defined by law and administrative regulation, are obligated to report all known or suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training regarding the duties of mandated reporters.

# Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

32280-32288 Comprehensive school safety plans

33195 Heritage schools, mandated reporters

33308.1 Guidelines on procedure for filing child abuse complaints

44252 Teacher credentialing

44691 Staff development in the detection of child abuse and neglect

44807 Duty concerning conduct of students

48906 Notification when student released to peace officer

48987 Dissemination of reporting guidelines to parents

49001 Prohibition of corporal punishment

51220.5 Parenting skills education

51900.6 Sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention

# PENAL CODE

152.3 Duty to report murder, rape, or lewd or lascivious act

273a Willful cruelty or unjustifiable punishment of child; endangering life or health

288 Definition of lewd or lascivious act requiring reporting

11164-11174.3 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act

# WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

15630-15637 Dependent adult abuse reporting

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4650 Filing complaints with CDE, special education students

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

11434a McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Camreta v. Greene (2011) 131 S.Ct. 2020



Section 5000: Students

Title CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND REPORTING

Code 5141.4 AR

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### **Definitions**

Child abuse or neglect includes the following: (Penal Code 11165.5, 11165.6)

- 1. A physical injury or death inflicted by other than accidental means on a child by another person
- 2. Sexual abuse of a child, including sexual assault or sexual exploitation, as defined in Penal Code 11165.1
- 3. Neglect of a child as defined in Penal Code 11165.2
- 4. Willful harming or injuring of a child or the endangering of the person or health of a child as defined in Penal Code 11165.3
- 5. Unlawful corporal punishment or injury as defined in Penal Code 11165.4

(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 - Professional Standards) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Child abuse or neglect does not include:

- 1. A mutual affray between minors (Penal Code 11165.6)
- 2. An injury caused by reasonable and necessary force used by a peace officer acting within the course and scope of his/her employment (Penal Code 11165.6)

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

- 3. An injury resulting from the exercise by a teacher, vice principal, principal, or other certificated employee of the same degree of physical control over a student that a parent/guardian would be privileged to exercise, not exceeding the amount of physical control reasonably necessary to maintain order, protect property, protect the health and safety of students, or maintain proper and appropriate conditions conducive to learning (Education Code 44807)
- 4. An injury caused by a school employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to quell a disturbance threatening physical injury to persons or damage to property, to protect himself/herself, or to obtain weapons or other dangerous objects within the control of a student (Education Code 49001)

(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments) (cf. 5144 - Discipline) (cf. 6159.4 - Behavioral Interventions for Special Education Students)

5. Physical pain or discomfort caused by athletic competition or other such recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student (Education Code 49001)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity) (cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition) 6. Homelessness or classification as an unaccompanied minor (Penal Code 11165.15)

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; athletic coaches, administrators, and directors; administrators and employees of a licensed child day care facility; Head Start teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7)

Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on his/her training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

# Reportable Offenses

A mandated reporter shall make a report using the procedures provided below whenever, in his/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, he/she has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or who reasonably suspects that a child is suffering serious emotional damage or is at a substantial risk of suffering serious emotional damage, based on evidence of severe anxiety, depression, withdrawal, or untoward aggressive behavior toward self or others, may make a report to the appropriate agency. (Penal Code 11166.05, 11167)

Any district employee who reasonably believes that he/she has observed the commission of a murder, rape, or lewd or lascivious act by use of force, violence, duress, menace, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury against a victim who is a child under age 14 shall notify a peace officer. (Penal Code 152.3, 288)

# Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

When two or more mandated reporters jointly have knowledge of a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect, the report may be made by a member of the team selected by mutual agreement and a single report may be made and signed by the selected member of the reporting team. Any member who has knowledge that the member designated to report has failed to do so shall thereafter make the report. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Any person not identified as a mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child whom he/she knows or reasonably suspects has been a victim of child abuse or neglect may report the known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect to the appropriate agency. (Penal Code 11166)

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

# **Reporting Procedures**

# 1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a school district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

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# 2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall then prepare and either send, fax, or electronically submit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed Department of Justice form (SS 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

The Department of Justice form may be obtained from the principal or designee.

Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall include, if known: (Penal Code 11167)

- a. The name, business address, and telephone number of the person making the report and the capacity that makes the person a mandated reporter
- b. The child's name and address, present location, and, where applicable, school, grade, and class
- c. The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the child's parents/guardians
- d. The name, address, telephone number, and other relevant personal information about the person who might have abused or neglected the child
- e. The information that gave rise to the reasonable suspicion of child abuse or neglect and the source(s) of that information

The mandated reporter shall make a report even if some of this information is not known or is uncertain to him/her. (Penal Code 11167)

The mandated reporter may give to an investigator from an agency investigating the case, including a licensing agency, any information relevant to an incident of child abuse or neglect or to a report made for serious emotional damage pursuant to Penal Code 11166.05. (Penal Code 11167)

### 3. Internal Reporting

The mandated reporter shall not be required to disclose his/her identity to his/her supervisor, the principal, or the Superintendent or designee. (Penal Code 11166)

However, employees reporting child abuse or neglect to an appropriate agency are encouraged, but not required, to notify the principal as soon as possible after the initial telephone report to the appropriate agency. When so notified, the principal shall inform the Superintendent or designee.

The principal so notified shall provide the mandated reporter with any assistance necessary to ensure that reporting procedures are carried out in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. At the mandated reporter's request, the principal may assist in completing and filing the necessary forms.

Reporting the information to an employer, supervisor, principal, school counselor, co-worker, or other person shall not be a substitute for making a mandated report to the appropriate agency. (Penal Code 11166)

### **Training**

Within the first six weeks of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall provide training on mandated reporting requirements to district employees and persons working on their behalf who are mandated reporters. Any school personnel hired during the school year shall receive such training within the first six weeks of employment. (Education Code 44691; Penal Code 11165.7)

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
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(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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The Superintendent or designee shall use the online training module provided by the California Department of Social Services. (Education Code 44691)

The training shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, training in identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect. In addition, the training shall include information that failure to report an incident of known or reasonably suspected child abuse or neglect as required by law is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment and/or a fine as specified. (Education Code 44691; Penal Code 11165.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain and retain proof of each mandated reporter's completion of the training. (Education Code 44691)

### **Victim Interviews by Social Services**

Whenever the Department of Social Services or another government agency is investigating suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility, the student may be interviewed by an agency representative during school hours, on

school premises. The Superintendent or designee shall give the student the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the student. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform him/her of the following requirements: (Penal Code 11174.3)

- 1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable him/her to be as comfortable as possible.
- 2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview.
- 3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child.
- 4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5.

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

# Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the Superintendent or designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. (Education Code 48906)

(cf. 5145.11 - Questioning and Apprehension by Law Enforcement)

# Parent/Guardian Complaints

Upon request, the Superintendent or designee shall provide parents/guardians with procedures for reporting suspected child abuse occurring at a school site to appropriate agencies. For parents/guardians whose primary language is not English, such procedures shall be in their primary language and, when communicating orally regarding those procedures, an interpreter shall be provided.

To file a complaint against a district employee or other person suspected of child abuse or neglect at a school site, parents/guardians may file a report by telephone, in person, or in writing with any appropriate agency identified above under "Reporting Procedures." If a parent/guardian makes a complaint about an employee to any other employee, the employee receiving the information shall notify the parent/guardian of procedures for filing a complaint with the appropriate agency. The employee also is obligated pursuant to Penal Code 11166 to file a report himself/herself using the procedures described above for mandated reporters.

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)

In addition, if the child is enrolled in special education, a separate complaint may be filed with the California Department of Education pursuant to 5 CCR 4650.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

### Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall provide to all new employees who are mandated reporters a statement that informs them of their status as mandated reporters, their reporting obligations under Penal Code 11166, and their confidentiality rights under Penal Code 11167. The district also shall provide these new employees with a copy of Penal Code 11165.7, 11166, and 11167. (Penal Code 11165.7, 11166.5)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

Before beginning employment, any person who will be a mandated reporter by virtue of his/her position shall sign a statement indicating that he/she has knowledge of the reporting obligations under Penal Code 11166 and will comply with those provisions. The signed statement shall be retained by the Superintendent or designee. (Penal Code 11166.5)

The Superintendent or designee also shall notify all employees that:

1. A mandated reporter who reports a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not be held civilly or criminally liable for making a report and this immunity shall apply even if the mandated reporter acquired the knowledge or reasonable suspicion of child abuse or neglect outside of his/her professional capacity or outside the scope of his/her employment.

Any other person making a report shall not incur civil or criminal liability unless it can be proven that he/she knowingly made a false report or made a report with reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the report. (Penal Code 11172)

- 2. If a mandated reporter fails to timely report an incident of known or reasonably suspected child abuse or neglect, he/she may be guilty of a crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment. (Penal Code 11166)
- 3. No employee shall be subject to any sanction by the district for making a report unless it can be shown that he/she knowingly made a false report or made a report with reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the report. (Penal Code 11166)



Section 3000: Business and Noninstructional Operations

Title TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS

Code 3513.3 BP

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The Governing Board recognizes that smoking and other uses of tobacco and nicotine products constitute a serious public health hazard and are inconsistent with district goals to provide a healthy environment for students and staff.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

The Board prohibits smoking and/or the use of tobacco products at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property, and in district vehicles. (Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559)

These prohibitions apply to all employees, students, and visitors at any school-sponsored instructional program, activity, or athletic event held on or off district property. Any written joint use agreement governing community use of district facilities or grounds shall include notice of the district's tobacco-free schools policy and consequences for violations of the policy.

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(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)
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Smoking means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying of any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, pipe, tobacco, or plant product intended for inhalation, whether natural or synthetic, in any manner or form, and includes the use of an electronic smoking device that creates aerosol or vapor or of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking. (Business and Professions Code 22950.5; Education Code 48901)

Tobacco products include: (Business and Professions Code 22950.5; Education Code 48901)

- 1. Any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, or snuff
- 2. An electronic device that delivers nicotine or other vaporized liquids to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, or hookah
- 3. Any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product, whether or not sold separately

This policy does not prohibit the use or possession of prescription products and other cessation aids that have been approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, such as nicotine patch or gum.

Smoking or use of any tobacco-related product or disposal of any tobacco-related waste is prohibited within 25 feet of any playground, except on a public sidewalk located within 25 feet of the playground. In addition, any form of intimidation, threat, or retaliation against a person for

# Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

48900 Grounds for suspension/expulsion

48901 Prohibition against tobacco use by students

### BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

22950.5 Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement Act; definitions

# HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

39002 Control of air pollution from nonvehicular sources

104350-104495 Tobacco use prevention, especially:

104495 Prohibition of smoking and tobacco waste on playgrounds

104559 Tobacco use prohibition

119405 Unlawful to sell or furnish electronic cigarettes to minors

# LABOR CODE

3300 Employer, definition

6304 Safe and healthful workplace

6404.5 Occupational safety and health; use of tobacco products

# UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6083 Nonsmoking policy for children's services

7111-7122 Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

# CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 21

1140.1-1140.34 Unlawful sale of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco to minors

# PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RELATIONS BOARD RULINGS

Eureka Teachers Assn. v. Eureka City School District (1992) PERB Order #955 (16 PERC 23168)

<u>CSEA #506 and Associated Teachers of Metropolitan Riverside v. Riverside Unified School District</u> (1989) PERB Order #750 (13 PERC 20147)



Section 3000: Business and Noninstructional Operations

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### **Notifications**

Information about the district's tobacco-free schools policy and enforcement procedures shall be communicated clearly to employees, parents/guardians, students, and the community. (Health and Safety Code 104420)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The Superintendent or designee may disseminate this information through annual written notifications, district and school web sites, student and parent handbooks, and/or other appropriate methods of communication.

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs stating "Tobacco use is prohibited" are prominently displayed at all entrances to school property. (Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559)

### **Enforcement/Discipline**

Any employee or student who violates the district's tobacco-free schools policy shall be asked to refrain from smoking and shall be subject to disciplinary action as appropriate.

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

Any other person who violates the district's policy on tobacco-free schools shall be informed of the district's policy and asked to refrain from smoking. If the person fails to comply with this request, the Superintendent or designee may:

- 1. Direct the person to leave school property
- 2. Request local law enforcement assistance in removing the person from school premises
- 3. If the person repeatedly violates the tobacco-free schools policy, prohibit him/her from entering district property for a specified period of time

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders) (cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

The Superintendent or designee shall not be required to physically eject a nonemployee who is smoking or to request that the nonemployee refrain from smoking under circumstances involving a risk of physical harm to the district or any employee. (Labor Code 6404.5)



Section 4000: Personnel

Title UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS

Code 4119.43, 4219.43, 4319.43 BP

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In order to protect employees from contact with potentially infectious blood or other body fluids, the Governing Board requires that universal precautions be observed throughout the district.

Universal precautions are appropriate for preventing the spread of all infectious diseases and shall be used regardless of whether bloodborne pathogens are known to be present.

(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5141.24 - Specialized Health Care Services)

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

Employees shall immediately report any exposure incident or first aid incident in accordance with the district's exposure control plan or other safety procedures.

(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)

# Legal Reference:

# HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

117600-118360 Handling and disposal of regulated waste

120875 Providing information to school districts on AIDS, AIDS-related conditions and Hepatitis B

120880 Information to employees of school district

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

5193 California bloodborne pathogens standard

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 29

1910.1030 OSHA bloodborne pathogens standards



Section 4000: Personnel

Title UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS

Code 4119.43, 4219.43, 4319.43 AR

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### **Definitions**

*Universal precautions* are an approach to infection control. All human blood and certain human body fluids, including but not limited to semen, vaginal secretions and any body fluid that is visibly contaminated with blood, are treated as if known to be infectious for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), hepatitis C virus (HCV) and other bloodborne pathogens. (8 CCR 5193(b))

Personal protective equipment includes specialized clothing or equipment worn or used for protection against a hazard. General work clothes such as uniforms, pants, shirts or blouses not intended to function as protection against a hazard are not considered to be personal protective equipment. (8 CCR 5193(b))

A *sharp* is any object that can be reasonably anticipated to penetrate the skin or any other part of the body and to result in an exposure incident. (8 CCR 5193(b))

Engineered sharps injury protection is a physical attribute built into a needle device or into a non-needle sharp which effectively reduces the risk of an exposure incident. (8 CCR 5193(b))

# **Employee Information**

The Superintendent or designee shall distribute to employees information provided by the California Department of Education regarding acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), AIDS-related conditions, and hepatitis B. This information shall include, but not be limited to, any appropriate methods employees may use to prevent exposure to AIDS and hepatitis B, including information concerning the availability of a vaccine to prevent contraction of hepatitis B, and that the cost of this vaccination may be covered by the health plan benefits of the employees. Information shall be distributed at least annually, or more frequently if there is new information supplied by the California Department of Education. (Health and Safety Code 120875, 120880)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications) (cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)

### **Infection Control Practices**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the worksite is effectively maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, and shall implement an appropriate written schedule for cleaning and decontamination of the worksite. (8 CCR 5193(d))

Where occupational exposure remains after the institution of engineering and work practice controls, the Superintendent or designee shall provide appropriate personal protective equipment at no cost to the employee. Such equipment may include gloves, gowns, masks, eye protection, and other devices that do not permit blood or other potentially infectious materials to pass through or reach the employee's clothes, skin, eyes, mouth or other mucous membranes under normal conditions of use. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain, repair, make accessible and require employees to use and properly handle protective equipment. (8 CCR 5193(d))

The Superintendent or designee shall provide handwashing facilities which are readily accessible to employees. When provision of handwashing facilities is not feasible, the Superintendent or designee shall provide an appropriate antiseptic hand cleanser in conjunction with clean cloth or paper towels, or antiseptic towelettes. (8 CCR 5193(d))

For the prevention of infectious disease, employees shall routinely: (8 CCR 5193(d))

- 1. Perform all procedures involving blood or other potentially infectious materials in such a manner as to minimize splashing, spraying, spattering, and generating droplets of these substances.
- 2. Use personal protective equipment as appropriate.
  - a. Appropriate clothing, including but not limited to, gowns, aprons, lab coats, clinic jackets or similar outer garments, shall be worn in occupational exposure situations.

If a garment becomes penetrated by blood or other potentially infectious materials, the employee shall remove the garment immediately or as soon as feasible. All personal protective equipment shall be removed prior to leaving the work area. When removed, it shall be placed in an appropriately designated area or container for storage, washing, decontamination or disposal.

b. Gloves shall be worn when it can be reasonably anticipated that the employee may have hand contact with blood, other potentially infectious materials, mucous membranes and nonintact skin, and when handling or touching contaminated items or surfaces.

Disposable gloves shall be replaced as soon as practical when contaminated, or as soon as feasible if they are torn, punctured, or when their ability to function as a barrier is compromised. They shall not be washed or decontaminated for reuse. Utility gloves may be decontaminated for reuse if the integrity of the gloves is not compromised, but must be discarded if they are cracked, peeling, torn, punctured, or exhibit other signs of deterioration or when their ability to function as a barrier is compromised.

- c. Masks in combination with eye protection devices or face shields shall be worn whenever splashes, spray, spatter, or droplets of blood or other potentially infectious materials may be generated and eye, nose or mouth contamination can be reasonably anticipated.
- 3. Wash hands and other skin surfaces thoroughly with soap and running water:
  - a. Immediately or as soon as feasible following contact of hands or any other skin or mucous membranes with blood or other potentially infectious materials
  - b. Immediately after removing gloves or other personal protective equipment

When handwashing facilities are not available, the employee shall use antiseptic hand cleanser in conjunction with clean cloth or paper towels, or antiseptic towelettes. In such instances, hands shall be washed with soap and running water as soon as feasible.

- 4. Refrain from eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics or lip balm, or handling contact lenses in work areas with a reasonable likelihood of occupational exposure.
- 5. Clean and decontaminate all equipment and environmental and work surfaces after contact with blood or other potentially infectious material, no later than the end of the shift or more frequently as required by state regulations.
- 6. Rather than using the hands directly, use mechanical means such as a brush and dust pan, tongs or forceps to clean up broken glassware which may be contaminated.
- 7. Use effective patient-handling techniques and other methods designed to minimize the risk of a sharps injury in all procedures involving the use of sharps in patient care.

(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions) (cf. 5141.24 - Specialized Health Care Services)

- a. Needleless systems shall be used to administer medication or fluids, withdraw body fluids after initial venous or arterial access is established, and conduct any other procedure involving the potential for an exposure incident for which a needleless system is available as an alternative to the use of needle devices. If needleless systems are not used, needles or non-needle sharps with engineered sharps injury protection shall be used.
- b. Contaminated needles or other sharps shall not be broken, bent, recapped, removed from devices, or stored or processed in a manner that requires employees to reach by hand into the containers where these sharps have been placed.
- c. Disposable sharps shall not be reused.

- 8. Handle, store, treat and dispose of regulated waste in accordance with Health and Safety Code 117600-118360 and other applicable state and federal regulations.
  - a. Immediately or as soon as possible after use, contaminated sharps shall be placed in containers meeting the requirements of 8 CCR 5193(d)(3)(D). Containers shall be easily accessible, maintained upright throughout use where feasible, and replaced as necessary to avoid overfilling.
  - b. Specimens of blood or other potentially infectious material shall be placed in a container which prevents leakage during collection, handling, processing, storage, transport or shipping.

(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)



Section 4000: Personnel

Title EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN FOR BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS

Code 4119.42, 4219.42, 4319.42 BP

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As part of its commitment to provide a safe and healthful work environment, the Governing Board recognizes the importance of developing an exposure control plan. The Superintendent or designee shall establish a written exposure control plan in accordance with state and federal standards for dealing with potentially infectious materials in the workplace to protect employees from possible infection due to contact with bloodborne pathogens, including but not limited to hepatitis B virus, hepatitis C virus and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions) (cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

The Superintendent or designee shall determine which employees have occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens and other potentially infectious materials. In accordance with the district's exposure control plan, employees having occupational exposure shall be offered the hepatitis B vaccination.

The Superintendent or designee may exempt designated first aid providers from pre-exposure hepatitis B vaccination under the conditions specified by state regulations. (8 CCR 5193(f))

Any employee not identified by the Superintendent or designee as having occupational exposure may submit a request to the Superintendent or designee to be included in the training and hepatitis B vaccination program. The Superintendent or designee may deny a request when there is no reasonable anticipation of contact with any infectious material.

# Legal Reference:

### LABOR CODE

142.3 Authority of Cal/OSHA to adopt standards

144.7 Requirement to amend standards

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

3204 Access to employee exposure and medical records

5193 California bloodborne pathogens standards

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 29

1910.1030 OSHA bloodborne pathogens standards



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### **Definitions**

Occupational exposure means reasonably anticipated skin, eye, mucous membrane, or parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials that may result from the performance of an employee's duties. (8 CCR 5193(b))

Exposure incident means a specific eye, mouth, other mucous membrane, nonintact skin, or parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials that result from the performance of an employee's duties. (8 CCR 5193 (b))

Parenteral contact means piercing mucous membranes or the skin barrier through such events as needlesticks, human bites, cuts, and abrasions. (8 CCR 5193(b))

A *sharp* is any object that can be reasonably anticipated to penetrate the skin or any other part of the body and to result in an exposure incident. (8 CCR 5193(b))

A sharps injury is any injury caused by a sharp, including but not limited to cuts, abrasions or needlesticks. (8 CCR 5193(b))

Work practice controls are controls that reduce the likelihood of exposure by defining the manner in which a task is performed. (8 CCR 5193(b))

Engineering controls are controls, such as sharps disposal containers, needleless systems, and sharps with engineered sharps injury protection, that isolate or remove the bloodborne pathogens hazard from the workplace. (8 CCR 5193(b))

Engineered sharps injury protection is a physical attribute built into a needle device or into a non-needle sharp which effectively reduces the risk of an exposure incident. (8 CCR 5193(b))

# **Exposure Control Plan**

The district's exposure control plan shall contain at least the following components: (8 CCR 5193(c))

1. A determination of which employees have occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials

The district's exposure determination shall be made without regard to the use of personal protective equipment and shall include a list of:

- a. All job classifications in which all employees have occupational exposure
- b. Job classifications in which some employees have occupational exposure
- c. All tasks and procedures, or groups of closely related tasks and procedures, in which occupational exposure occurs and which are performed by employees listed in item #1b above
- 2. The schedule and method of implementing:

a. Methods of compliance required by 8 CCR 5193(d), such as universal precautions, general and specific engineering and work practice controls, and personal protective equipment

(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)

- b. Hepatitis B vaccination
- c. Bloodborne pathogen post-exposure evaluation and follow-up
- d. Communication of hazards to employees, including labels, signs, information and training
- e. Recordkeeping
- 3. The district's procedure for evaluating circumstances surrounding exposure incidents
- 4. An effective procedure for gathering information about each exposure incident involving a sharp, as required for the log of sharps injuries
- 5. An effective procedure for periodically determining the frequency of use of the types and brands of sharps involved in exposure incidents documented in the sharps injury log
- 6. An effective procedure for identifying currently available engineering controls and selecting such controls as appropriate for the procedures performed by employees in their work areas or departments
- 7. An effective procedure for documenting instances when a licensed healthcare professional directly involved in a patient's care determines, in the reasonable exercise of clinical judgment, that the use of an engineering control would jeopardize an individual's safety or the success of a medical, dental or nursing procedure involving the individual
- 8. An effective procedure for obtaining the active involvement of employees in reviewing and updating the exposure control plan with respect to the procedures performed by employees in their respective work areas or departments

The exposure control plan shall be reviewed and updated at least annually and whenever necessary to: (8 CCR 5193(c))

- 1. Reflect new or modified tasks and procedures affecting occupational exposure
- 2. To the extent that sharps are used in the district, reflect progress in implementing the use of needleless systems and sharps with engineered sharps injury protection
- 3. Include new or revised employee positions with occupational exposure
- 4. Review and evaluate the exposure incidents which occurred since the previous update
- 5. Review and respond to information indicating that the exposure control plan is deficient in any area

The district's exposure control plan shall be accessible to employees upon request. (8 CCR 3204(e))

# **Preventive Measures**

The Superintendent or designee shall use engineering and work practice controls to eliminate or minimize employee exposure, and shall regularly examine and update controls to ensure their effectiveness. (8 CCR 5193(d))

# Hepatitis B Vaccination

The hepatitis B vaccination and vaccination series shall be made available at no cost to all employees who have occupational exposure. The hepatitis B vaccination shall be made available after an employee with occupational exposure has received the required training and within 10 working days of initial assignment, unless the employee has previously received the complete hepatitis B vaccination series, or antibody testing has revealed that the employee is immune, or vaccination is contraindicated by medical reasons. (8 CCR 5193(f))

Employees who decline to accept the vaccination shall sign the hepatitis B declination statement. (8 CCR 5193(f))

The Superintendent or designee may exempt designated first aid providers from the pre-exposure hepatitis B vaccine in accordance with 8 CCR 5193 (f).

### **Information and Training**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all employees with occupational exposure participate in a training program containing the elements required by state regulations, during working hours and at no cost to the employee. This program shall be offered at the time of initial assignment to tasks where occupational exposure may take place, at least annually thereafter, and whenever a change of tasks or procedures affects the employee's exposure. (8 CCR 5193(g))

Designated first aid providers shall receive training that includes the specifics of reporting first-aid incidents which involve blood or body fluids which are potentially infectious. (8 CCR 5193(g))

# **Reporting Incidents**

All exposure incidents shall be reported as soon as possible to the Superintendent or designee.

Unvaccinated designated first aid providers must report any first aid incident involving the presence of blood or other potentially infectious material, regardless of whether an exposure incident occurred, by the end of the work shift. The full hepatitis B vaccination series shall be made available to such employees no later than 24 hours after the first aid incident. (8 CCR 5193(f))

# Sharps Injury Log

The Superintendent or designee shall establish and maintain a log recording each exposure incident involving a sharp. The exposure incident shall be recorded within 14 working days of the date the incident is reported to the district. (8 CCR 5193(c))

The information recorded shall include the following, if known or reasonably available: (8 CCR 5193(c))

- 1. Date and time of the exposure incident
- 2. Type and brand of sharp involved in the exposure incident
- 3. A description of the exposure incident, including:
  - a. Job classification of the exposed employee
  - b. Department or work area where the exposure incident occurred
  - c. The procedure that the exposed employee was performing at the time of the incident
  - d. How the incident occurred
  - e. The body part involved in the incident
  - f. If the sharp had engineered sharps injury protection, whether the protective mechanism was activated and whether the injury occurred before, during or after the protective mechanism was activated
  - g. If the sharp had no engineered sharps injury protection, the injured employee's opinion as to whether and how such a mechanism could have prevented the injury
  - h. The employee's opinion about whether any other engineering, administrative or work practice could have prevented the injury

# Post-Exposure Evaluation and Follow-up

Following a report of an exposure incident, the Superintendent or designee shall immediately make available to the exposed employee, at no cost, a confidential medical evaluation, post-exposure evaluation and follow-up. The Superintendent or designee shall, at a minimum: (8 CCR 5193(f))

- 1. Document the route(s) of exposure and the circumstances under which the exposure incident occurred
- 2. Identify and document the source individual, unless that identification is infeasible or prohibited by law
- 3. Provide for the collection and testing of the employee's blood for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV serological status
- 4. Provide for post-exposure prophylaxis, when medically indicated, as recommended by the U.S. Public Health Service
- 5. Provide for counseling and evaluation of reported illnesses

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the health care professional with a copy of 8 CCR 5193; a description of the employee's duties as they relate to the exposure incident; documentation of the route(s) of exposure and circumstances under which exposure occurred; results of the source individual's blood testing, if available; and all medical records maintained by the district relevant to the appropriate treatment of the employee, including vaccination status. (8 CCR 5193(f))

The district shall maintain the confidentiality of the affected employee and the exposure source during all phases of the post-exposure evaluation. (8 CCR 5193(f))

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information) (cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)

### Records

Upon an employee's initial employment and at least annually thereafter, the Superintendent or designee shall inform employees with occupational exposure of the existence, location and availability of related records; the person responsible for maintaining and providing access to records; and the employee's right of access to these records. (8 CCR 3204)

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(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)
(cf. 3580 - District Records)
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Medical records for each employee with occupational exposure shall be kept confidential and not disclosed or reported without the employee's written consent to any person within or outside the workplace except as required by law. (8 CCR 5193(h))

Upon request by an employee, or a designated representative with the employee's written consent, the Superintendent or designee shall provide access to a record in a reasonable time, place and manner, no later than 15 days after the request is made. (8 CCR 3204(e))

Records shall be maintained as follows: (8 CCR 3204(d), 5193(h))

- 1. Medical records shall be maintained for the duration of employment plus 30 years.
- 2. Training records shall be maintained for three years from the date of training.
- 3. The sharps injury log shall be maintained five years from the date the exposure incident occurred.
- 4. Exposure records shall be maintained for at least 30 years.
- 5. Each analysis using medical or exposure records shall be maintained for at least 30 years.



Section 3000: Business and Noninstructional Operations

Title CAMPUS SECURITY

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The Governing Board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes the safety of students, employees, and visitors to school grounds. The Board also recognizes the importance of protecting district property, facilities, and equipment from vandalism and theft.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop campus security procedures which are consistent with the goals and objectives of the district's comprehensive safety plan and site-level safety plans. Such procedures shall be regularly reviewed to reflect changed circumstances and to assess their effectiveness in achieving safe school objectives.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

# **Surveillance Systems**

The Board believes that reasonable use of surveillance cameras will help the district achieve its goals for campus security. The Superintendent or designee shall identify appropriate locations for the placement of surveillance cameras. Cameras shall not be placed in areas where students, staff, or community members have a reasonable expectation of privacy. Any audio capability on the district's surveillance equipment shall be disabled so that sounds are not recorded.

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(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)
(cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)
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Prior to the operation of the surveillance system, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs are posted at conspicuous locations at affected school buildings and grounds. These signs shall inform students, staff, and visitors that surveillance may occur and shall state whether the district's system is actively monitored by school personnel. The Superintendent or designee shall also provide prior written notice to students and parents/guardians about the district's surveillance system, including the locations where surveillance may occur, explaining that the recordings may be used in disciplinary proceedings, and that matters captured by the camera may be referred to local law enforcement, as appropriate.

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(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
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To the extent that any images from the district's surveillance system create a student or personnel record, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the images are accessed, retained, and disclosed in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation, and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Records) (cf. 5125 - Student Records) (cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
32020 Access gates

32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes

32280-32288 School safety plans

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

38000-38005 Security patrols

49050-49051 Searches by school employees

49060-49079 Student records

# PENAL CODE

469 Unauthorized making, duplicating or possession of key to public building

626-626.10 Disruption of schools

# CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 1, Section 28(c) Right to Safe Schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

**COURT DECISIONS** 

New Jersey v. T.L.O. (1985) 469 U.S. 325

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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's campus security plan includes strategies to:

1. Secure the campus perimeter and school facilities in order to prevent criminal activity

These strategies include a risk management analysis of each campus' security system, lighting system, and fencing. Procedures to ensure unobstructed views and eliminate blind spots caused by doorways and landscaping shall also be considered. In addition, parking lot design may be studied, including methods to discourage through traffic. All district schools should be fenced so after-hours and weekend access is restricted to authorized personnel. Such fencing shall not restrict access to playfields by the general public.

The district shall maintain a "Lights Out Policy" at schools and facilities for after hours, weekends and holidays. When lights are equipped with timers, the Director of Maintenance and Operations shall establish a schedule and communicate the schedule to custodial staff.

2. Secure buildings from outsiders and discourage trespassing

These strategies may include requiring visitor registration, staff and student identification tags, and patrolling of places used for congregating and loitering.

The level of after-hours entries shall be kept to a minimum to enhance the personal safety of employees and the security of district property. Hours for entry to district schools and sites shall be determined by the Director of Maintenance and Operations. Information regarding access shall be provided to all employees.

All district facilities shall have monitored intrusion and smoke detector systems.

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders) (cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions) (cf. 5112.5 - Open/Closed Campus)

3. Discourage vandalism and graffiti

These strategies may include plans to immediately cover graffiti as well as campus beautification projects and shall also include students and the community in these projects.

(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage) (cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti) (cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)

4. Control access to keys and other school inventory

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

5. Detect and intervene with school crime

These strategies may include the creation of a school watch program, an anonymous crime reporting system, analysis of school crime incidents, and collaboration with local law enforcement agencies, including providing for law enforcement presence.

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(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5138 - Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation)
(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)
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All staff shall receive training in building and grounds security procedures.

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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# Keys

All keys used in a school shall be the responsibility of the principal or designee. Keys shall be issued only to those employees who regularly need a key in order to carry out normal activities of their position.

The principal or designee shall create a key control system with a record of each key assigned and room(s) or building(s) which the key opens.

Keys shall be used only by authorized employees and shall never be loaned to students.

The person issued a key shall be responsible for its safekeeping. The duplication of school keys is prohibited. If a key is lost, the person responsible shall immediately report the loss to the principal or designee.

# **Electronic Surveillance Policy**

Whenever electronic surveillance systems are in place, the following shall occur:

- 1. Video cameras shall be placed in locations deemed appropriate by the Superintendent or designee and shall not be placed in areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy.
- 2. Notice of such systems shall be placed in student and/or employee handbooks and shall be posted at the main entrance of the district office and on each campus where video camera surveillance is carried out, with such exceptions for special circumstances as the Superintendent or designee may determine.
- 3. The use and maintenance of electronic surveillance equipment on school grounds, district property, or in transportation vehicles shall be supervised and controlled by the Superintendent, school principal or other designees.
- 4. The use of video recordings from surveillance equipment shall be subject to other policies of the district including policies concerning the confidentiality of student and personnel records. The district shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws related to record maintenance, retention, and disclosure including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), California Public Records Act, and Education Code, as well as relevant provisions from existing collective bargaining agreements.
- 5. Electronic surveillance shall only be used to promote the order, safety, and security of students, staff, property, and other authorized individuals. The district may rely on the images obtained by video surveillance cameras in connection with the enforcement of Board policy, administrative regulations, and other applicable law including, but not limited to, student and staff disciplinary proceedings and matters referred to local law enforcement agencies. Video images may become part of a student's educational record or an employee's personnel record in accordance with applicable law and collective bargaining agreements.
- 6. In addition to any surveillance that might otherwise be permitted by law, video or audio recording in classrooms will be permitted to promote educational purposes upon the consent of the school principal and teacher.
- 7. Surveillance systems and all resulting recordings shall be located in a secured area and access to the system and recording shall be strictly limited. Recordings may be reviewed as authorized by the Superintendent or designee by persons with a legitimate educational or operational interest in the information contained therein.
- 8. Video recordings retained as part of a student's disciplinary record shall be maintained in accordance with law and Board policy governing the access, review, and release of student records.

- 9. All media viewed or listened to by law enforcement, parents, or any persons outside of authorized school personnel will be documented in a log with the date, time, reason, and names of individuals reviewing the media.
- 10. Employees shall be responsible for the appropriate use of technology and shall not use any district resources for unethical practices or any activity prohibited by law or Board policy.

# (Excerpt from the CSEA Bargaining Unit Contract)

CSEA and the District agree the safety and health of students, staff, and the public requires every reasonable effort be made to discourage alcohol and/or illegal substance abuse among all employees. The District and CSEA further agree to make every reasonable effort to protect students, staff, and the public from alcohol and/or illegal drug use. For this reason, commencing July 1, 2016, the parties agreed to a reasonable suspicion/post-accident testing policy for bargaining unit employees who regularly utilize District vehicles in the course of employment for a three year trial period. This article shall sunset on June 30, 2019, unless the parties negotiate to continue this provision.

# A. Application

This section applies to CSEA employees that regularly utilize District vehicles in the course Transportation regulations. The positions will be identified by a committee comprised of two members from the District negotiation team and two members from the CSEA negotiation team. Examples of positions subject to this section may include grounds, maintenance, warehouse/delivery drivers, night custodial, and certain classifications of technology staff.

# B. Notice

All employees subject to testing for controlled substances and alcohol shall be individually notified, in advance and in writing that they are subject to reasonable suspicion and/or post- accident testing while on duty. The District will provide CSEA with a copy of the notice prior to distributing to applicable employees.

# C. Reasonable Suspicion Testing

- 1. A reasonable suspicion test must be based upon specific, clearly identifiable observations concerning the appearance, behavior, speech, or body odors of the employee or in the event an accident occurs while a classified employee is driving a District vehicle where there is reasonable suspicion that the driver of the vehicle may be under the influence of alcohol or other drugs. The observations must be made immediately prior to the determination that reasonable suspicion testing is warranted.
- The observations must be made by a supervisor and District official who has received at least one hour training in identifying indicators of probable alcohol misuse plus at least two hour training in identifying indicators of probable controlled substance use. The supervisor and District Official making the observation shall be from separate sites.
- 3. Reasonable suspicion observations must be contemporaneous, i.e., they must be made just before, during, or just after the employee's performance of job-related duties.
- 4. Employees for whom a reasonable suspicion determination has been made will be placed on paid administrative leave pending test results.
- 5. Tests based on reasonable suspicion of alcohol misuse shall be promptly administered. Employee shall be transported to the testing facility within two (2) hours following the reasonable suspicion determination.
- 6. A written record of the reasonable suspicion observations, dated and signed by all employees making the observations, must be made within twenty-four (24) hours or before the results of the test are released, whichever is earlier. A copy of this record will be given to the employee within twenty-four (24) hours of its preparation.
- 7. The supervisor and District official who are making the reasonable suspicion observations shall not conduct the test or participate in the collection or chain of custody of any specimen for testing.

8. If requested by the employee, a CSEA representative may be present to ensure that an employee's rights are protected. However, a reasonable suspicion test may not be delayed for more than one (1) hour to accommodate a representation request. Under no circumstances shall the CSEA representative be required to participate in determining if reasonable suspicion exists for further investigation.

# D. Post-Accident Testing

- 1. A covered employee shall be required to submit to a post-accident test if he/she was involved in a traffic accident while driving a District vehicle causing property damage or personal injury or receives a citation under state or local law for a moving traffic violation arising from the accident (as defined by the Federal Motor Carrier Regulations).
  - a. Controlled substances test The covered employee must be tested for controlled substances as soon as possible, but no later than thirty-two (32) hours after the accident.
  - b. Alcohol test The covered employee must be tested for alcohol as soon as possible.
- 2. The District will provide the covered employee with information on how to comply with post-accident procedures prior to operating a commercial motor vehicle.
- 3. Post-accident breath, urine, or blood tests completed by local, state, or federal officials may fulfill the requirements of this article.
- 4. A covered employee who is subject to post-accident testing must remain readily available for such testing or may be deemed by the District as refusing to submit to testing. However, this requirement should not delay necessary medical attention for injured people following an accident or prohibit a covered employee from leaving the scene of an accident for the period necessary to obtain assistance in responding to the accident.
- 6. Pending the results of the testing, the covered employee shall be removed from operating District vehicles and will not be returned to the operation of District vehicles prior to notification of a negative drug and alcohol test.

# E. Miscellaneous

- 1. The employer will pay for the initial test. The employee will be compensated at the appropriate rate of pay for the length of time required to complete the testing process.
- 2. The employee shall pay for all confirmatory testing of a split sample. In the event that the confirmatory test is negative, the employee will be reimbursed the cost of the test. The employee has the following options for payment for this test: 1) Remit payment to the District, or 2) Request a payroll deduction.
- 3. CSEA job stewards and other appointed representatives shall receive the same training provided to supervisors for reasonable suspicion determinations as it is scheduled.
- 4. The parties agree to treat all test results as confidential medical records and recognize that these records may need to be released in the course of legal proceedings.
- 5. The District respects and acknowledges the right of bargaining unit members to seek and receive CSEA representation for any meeting in which misconduct by the employee is/may be alleged and for which there may be disciplinary action.