

RESEARCH ON STUDENTS

Research on students of this district beyond the conventional testing program (both district-wide and for the purposes of evaluation of the individual student) shall not be carried on except under at least the following circumstances.

1. The research design has been presented to and approved by the superintendent and/or designee.
2. All research instruments, including but not limited to questionnaires, surveys, and interview forms, have been submitted to and approved by the superintendent and/or designee.
3. Adequate care has been taken to protect individual students under policy and regulation 5125/5125.1 – Student Records; Confidentiality, and other provisions of law.
4. A final copy of all research reports, theses, dissertations and/or surveys including analyses and conclusions, shall be presented to the superintendent and/or designee for the use of the district and the district shall have the right to utilize the research in the best interests of the children of the district.
5. The Governing Board shall have the right to refuse publication rights if the Board of Trustees, in its judgment, believes that the research was not carried out according to the highest standards of research, that the analysis and/or conclusion presents a biased or incorrect position, that the research was not carried out according to the approved research design, or that publication of the research study will present an immediate danger to the educational program.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35172

Promotional activities (particularly 35172(a) concerning research)

TUSD Adopted: 6/9/98