### **Fees and Charges**

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to ensure that books, materials, equipment, and other resources necessary for student's participation in the district's educational program are made available to them at no cost.

No student shall be required to pay a fee, deposit, or other charge for his/her participation in an educational activity which constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities (Education Code 49010, 49011; 5 CCR 350)

As necessary, the Board may approve fees, deposits, and other charges which are specifically authorized by law. When approving such fees, deposits, or charges, establishing fee schedules, or determining whether waivers or exceptions should be granted, the Board shall consider relevant data, including the socioeconomic conditions of district students' families and their ability to pay.

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(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)
(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 5143 - Insurance)
(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)
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The prohibition against student fees shall not restrict the district from soliciting for donations, participating in fundraising activities, or providing prizes or other recognition for participants in such activities and events. The Superintendent or designee shall emphasize that participation of students, parents/guardians, district employees, volunteers, or educational or civic organizations in such activities and events is voluntary. The district shall not offer or award to a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities in exchange for voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student. It also shall not remove or threaten to remove from a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities, or otherwise discriminate against the student, due to a lack of voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student.

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(cf. <u>1321</u> - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students) (cf. <u>3290</u> - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
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# **Complaints**

A complaint alleging district noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring student fees, deposits, or other charges shall be filed in accordance with the district's procedures in BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 49013) (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

If, upon investigation, the district finds merit in the complaint, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend and the Board shall adopt an appropriate remedy to be provided to all affected students and parents/guardians in accordance with 5 CCR 4600.

Information related to the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees for participation in an educational activity shall be included in the district's annual notification of uniform complaint procedures to be provided to all students, parents/guardians, employees, and other interested parties pursuant to 5 CCR <u>4622</u>. (Education Code <u>49013</u>)

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(cf. <u>4112.9/4212.9/4312.9</u> - Employee Notifications) (cf. <u>5145.6</u> - Parental Notifications)
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# Legal Reference:

# **EDUCATION CODE**

8239	Preschool and wraparound child care services
8250	Child care and development services for children with disabilities
8263	Child care eligibility
8422	21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for
Teens programs	
8482.6	After School Education and Safety programs
8760-8773	Outdoor science and conservation programs
17453.1	District sale or lease of Internet appliances or personal computers
to students or parents	
17551	Property fabricated by students
19910-19911 Offenses against libraries	
32033	Eye protective devices
32221	Insurance for athletic team member
32390	Fingerprinting program
35330 – 35332 Excursions and field trips	
35335	School camp programs
38080 – 38085 Cafeteria establishment and use	
38120	Use of school band equipment on excursions to foreign countries
39801.5	Transportation for adults
39807.5	Payment of transportation cost
39837	Transportation of students to places of summer employment
48050	Residents of adjoining states
48052	Tuition for foreign residents
48904	Liability of parent or guardian
49010-49013	Student Fees
49065	Charge for copies
49066	Grades, effect of physical education class apparel
49091.14	Prospectus of school curriculum
51810-51815	Community service classes
52612	Tuition for adult classes
52613	Nonimmigrant aliens
56504	School Records; students with disabilities
60410	Students in classes for adults

## **GOVERNMENT CODE**

Request for copy; fee

#### CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 9, Section 5 Common school system

# **CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5**

Fees not permitted

4600-4687 Uniform Complaint procedures

## **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 8**

1184 Foreign Students

#### **COURT DECISIONS**

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## **Management Resources:**

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## **WEB SITES**

CSBA: http://www.csba.org CDE: http://www.cde.ca.gov

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