FEES AND CHARGES

The Board of Trustees recognizes its responsibility to ensure that books, materials, equipment, supplies, and other resources necessary for students' 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 socio-economic conditions of district students' families and their ability to pay.

The prohibition against student fees shall not restrict the district from soliciting for voluntary donations, participating in fundraising activities, and providing prizes or other recognition for participants in such activities and events. However, 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 and 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.

Whenever district employees, volunteers, students, parents/guardians, or educational or civic organizations participate in such events or activities, the Superintendent or designee shall emphasize that participation in the event or activity is voluntary.

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)

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 required to be provided to all students, parents/guardians, employees, and other interested parties pursuant to 5 CCR 4622. (Education Code 49013)

The Superintendent or designee may provide additional information or professional development opportunities to administrators, teachers, and other personnel regarding permissible fees.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

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 8482.6 After School Education and Safety programs 8760-8774 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 38080-38086 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 costs* 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 6253 Request for copy; fee <u>CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION</u> Article 9, Section 5 Common school system <u>CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5</u> 350 Fees not permitted 4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 8 1184 Foreign students

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