Students BP 5131.6(a)

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

The Board of Trustees believes that the use of alcohol or other drugs adversely affects a student's ability to achieve academic success, is physically and emotionally harmful, and has serious social and legal consequences. The Board desires to keep district schools free of alcohol and other drugs in order to help prevent violence, promote school safety and create a well-disciplined environment conducive to learning.

The Superintendent or designee shall select a performance measure that will be used to monitor and determine the effectiveness of the district's program in reducing drug and alcohol use.

The Superintendent or designee shall clearly communicate to all students, staff and parents/guardians the district's policies, regulations and school rules related to the use of alcohol and other drugs on school campuses or at school activities.

Staff should encourage students to participate as responsible partners in efforts to maintain a safe, constructive school climate.

The Board encourages the establishment of site-level advisory groups to assist in promoting alcohol- and drug-free schools.

Instruction

The district shall provide science-based preventative instruction which has been proven effective in helping students avoid the use of alcohol and other drugs.

All instruction and related materials shall consistently state that unlawful use of alcohol or other drugs is wrong and harmful. Instruction shall not include the concept of responsible use of drugs or alcohol when such use is illegal. (20 USC 7114, 7162; Health and Safety Code 11999.2)

The district shall offer staff development activities for staff who implement the comprehensive drug and alcohol prevention and intervention program.

Enforcement/Discipline

The Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate action to eliminate possession, use or sale of alcohol and other drugs and related paraphernalia on school grounds or at school-sponsored activities.

Students possessing, using or selling alcohol or other drugs or related paraphernalia shall be subject to disciplinary procedures including suspension or expulsion and/or referral to law enforcement in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation. In addition, such students may be referred to an appropriate counseling program, transferred to an alternative placement, and/or be restricted from extracurricular activities, including athletics.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

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Legal Reference:
        EDUCATION CODE
        44049 Known or suspected alcohol or drug abuse by student
        44645 In-service training anabolic steroids
        48900 Suspension or expulsion (grounds)
        48900.5 Suspension, limitation on imposition; exception
        48901 Smoking or use of tobacco prohibited
        48901.5 Prohibition of electronic signaling devices
        48902 Notification of law enforcement authorities; civil or criminal immunity
        48909 Narcotics or other hallucinogenic drugs
        48915 Expulsion; particular circumstances
        49602 Confidentiality of pupil information
        51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety
        51203 Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and restricted dangerous drugs
       51210 Areas of study
51220 Areas of study, grades 7 to 12
51260-51269 Drug education
        60041 Instructional materials
        60110-60115 Instructional materials on alcohol and drug education
        BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE
        25608 Alcohol on school property; use in connection with instruction
        HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
        11032 Narcotics, restricted dangerous drugs and marijuana
        11053-11058 Standards and schedules
        11353.6 Juvenile Drug Trafficking and Schoolyard Act
        11357 Unauthorized possession of marijuana; possession in school or on school grounds
        11361.5 Destruction of arrest or conviction records 11372.7 Drug program fund; uses
        11802 Joint school-community alcohol abuse primary education and prevention program
        11998-11998.3 Drug and Alcohol Abuse Master Plans
        11999-11999.3 Alcohol and drug program funding; no unlawful use
        124175-124200 Adolescent family life program
        PENAL CODE
        13860-13864 Suppression of drug abuse in schools 
VEHICLE CODE
        13202.5 Drug and alcohol related offenses by person under age of 21, but aged 13 or over;
        WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE
        828 Disclosure of information re minors
        828.1 Disclosure of criminal records; protection of vulnerable staff & students
        UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
        5812 National education goals
        7101-7184 Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act
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