

Students

SAFETY

BP 5142

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of providing a safe school environment that is conducive to learning and promotes student safety and well-being. Appropriate measures shall be implemented to minimize the risk of harm to students, including, but not limited to, protocols for maintaining safe conditions on school grounds, promoting safe use of school facilities and equipment, and guiding student participation in educational programs and school-sponsored activities.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)
(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)
(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3515.21 - Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones))
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)
(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)
(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)
(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)
(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)
(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
(cf. 5142.1 - Identification and Reporting of Missing Children)
(cf. 5143 - Insurance)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

School staff shall be responsible for the proper supervision of students at all times when students are subject to district rules, including, but not limited to, during school hours, school-sponsored activities, before and after-school programs, morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up, and while students are using district transportation.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students receive appropriate instruction on topics related to safety and emergency procedures, as well as injury and disease prevention.

(cf. 5141.7 - Sun Safety)

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(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

Crossing Guards/Student Safety Patrol

To assist students in safely crossing streets adjacent to or near school sites, the Board may employ crossing guards and/or establish a student safety patrol at any district school. The Superintendent or designee shall periodically examine traffic patterns within school attendance areas in order to identify locations where crossing assistance may be needed.

(cf. 5142.2 - Safe Routes to School Program)

Student Identification Cards and Safety Information

Student identification cards of students in grades 7-12 shall have printed on them safety information, including the following: (Education Code 215.5, 217)

1. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline telephone number and, at the district's discretion, the Crisis Text Line and/or a local suicide prevention hotline telephone number

(cf. 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention)

2. The National Domestic Violence Hotline

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8482-8484.65 - After School Education and Safety Program

17280-17317 - Building approvals (Field Act)

17365-17374 - Fitness of school facilities for occupancy

32001 - Fire alarms and drills

32020 - School gates; entrances for emergency vehicles

32030-32034 - Eye safety

32040 - First aid equipment

32225-32226 - Two-way communication devices in classrooms

32240-32245 - Lead-free schools

32250-32254 - CDE school safety and security resources unit

32280-32289 - Safety plans

44807 - Duty of teachers concerning conduct of students

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44808 - Exemption from liability when students are not on school property
44808.5 - Permission for students to leave school grounds; notice (high school)
45450-45451 - Crossing guards
48900 - Hazing
49300-49307 - School safety patrol
49330-49335 - Injurious objects
49341 - Hazardous materials in school science laboratories
51202 - Instruction in personal and public health and safety
GOVERNMENT CODE
810-996.6 - California Tort Claims Act
HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
115725-115735 - Playground safety
115775-115800 - Wooden playground equipment
116046 - Issuance of best practices guidelines for K-12 pool safety
PENAL CODE
245.6 - Hazing
PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE
5411 - Purchase of equipment usable by persons with disabilities
VEHICLE CODE
21100 - Rules and regulations; crossing guards
21201 - Rules for operation of bicycle on roadway
21212 - Use of helmets
42200 - Fines and forfeitures, disposition by cities
42201 - Fines and forfeitures, disposition by counties
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
202 - Exclusion of students with a contagious disease
570-576 - School safety patrols
5531 - Supervision of social activities
5552 - Playground supervision
5570 - When school shall be open and teachers present
14030 - Standards for development of plans for the design and construction of school facilities
14103 - Bus driver; authority over pupils
COURT DECISIONS
J.H. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (2010) 183 Cal.App.4th 123
Lane v. City of Sacramento, (2010) 183 Cal. App. 4th. 1337
Wiener v. Southcoast Childcare Centers, (2004) 32 Cal.4th 1138
Kahn v. East Side Union High School District, (2003) 31 Cal.4th 990
Knight v. Jewett, (1992) 3 Cal.4th 296, 313
Hoyem v. Manhattan Beach City School District, (1978) 22 Cal. 3d 508
Dailey v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (1970) 2 Cal 3d 741

Management Resources:

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS

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F 1487-05, Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use, 2017

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2014

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION PUBLICATIONS

Public Playground Safety Handbook, 2010

WEB SITES

American Society for Testing and Materials: <http://www.astm.org>

California Department of Education, Safe Schools Office:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss>

California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission: <http://www.cpsc.gov>

U.S. Department of Education, Safe Schools:

<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osep/gtss.html>

Policy

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