



Legal Notices for Pupils and Parents/Guardians

Bullying and Harassment

2024-2025

District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination, including, harassment, intimidation and bullying based on actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, registered domestic partner status, political beliefs or affiliation, pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, pregnancy related medical conditions, parental status, physical or mental status, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or the perception of one or more of such characteristics, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics or any other basis protected by federal, state or local law, ordinance, or regulation in any program or activity it conducts or to which it provides significant assistance.

The Governing Board shall ensure equal opportunities for all pupils in admission and access to the educational program, guidance and counseling programs, athletic programs, testing procedures and other activities. Eligibility for extra and co-curricular activities shall be determined solely on the basis of objective competencies. School staff and volunteers shall carefully guard against segregation, bias and stereotyping in instruction, guidance and supervision. **Bullying is defined** as any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a pupil or group of pupils directed toward one or more pupils that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of causing a reasonable pupil to experience a substantially detrimental effect on the pupil's physical or mental health, academic performance, or ability to participate in school activities. Board Policies 5131.2/5145.3 California Education Code 48900(r)

REPORT IT

Any person that has been a victim of, or witnessed bullying or harassment on school grounds, during school activities, or going to and coming from school is highly encouraged to report the incident immediately to a counselor, administrator, or other adult personnel on campus. Students have an option of reporting the incident anonymously through the Bullying/Harassment Complaint form located at the school or online on the district's webpage.

INVESTIGATION

The principal or designee shall promptly investigate all complaints of bullying or sexual harassment. The student who filed the complaint shall have an opportunity to describe the incident, present witnesses and other evidence of the bullying or harassment, and put his/her complaint in writing. Within 10 school days of the reported incident, the principal or designee shall present a written report to the student who filed the complaint and the accused individual. The report shall include his/her findings, decision, and reason for the decision. If the student is in disagreement with the out-come of the investigation, an appeal can be filed at the Department of Student Services located at 16350 Mojave Dr., Victorville Ca 92395 (760)-955-3201

TRANSFER REQUEST

A child that has been reported as the victim of a violent offense as defined by state law is entitled to transfer to another school within or outside the District, under California Education Code 46600 § (b). Placement at a requested school is contingent upon space availability. Transfer requests can be obtained at the Department of Student Services located at 16350 Mojave Dr., Victorville Ca 92395 (760)-955-3201

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