

**ENVIROMENTAL SAFETY**

Tracy Unified School District recognizes its obligation to provide a safe and healthy environment at school facilities for students, staff and community members. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly assess school facilities to identify environmental health risks and shall develop strategies to prevent and/or mitigate environmental hazards. He/she shall consider the proven effectiveness of various options, anticipated short-term and long-term costs and/or savings to the district, and the potential impact on staff and students, including the impact on student achievement and attendance.

The Governing Board believes that students and employees have the right to learn and work in a safe, clean and healthy environment. The district has an obligation to locate and reduce or eliminate potential risks to health and the environment, to use environmental resources in a responsible way, and to educate students and staff about environmental issues.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations to guard against environmental hazards. Students and staff are encouraged to report any unsafe conditions they may observe.

Such strategies shall focus on maximizing healthy indoor air quality; monitoring the quality of outdoor air and adjusting outdoor activities as necessary; reducing exposure to vehicle emissions; minimizing exposure to lead and mercury; reducing the risk of unsafe drinking water; inspecting and properly abating asbestos; appropriately storing, using, and disposing of potentially hazardous substances; using effective least toxic pest management practices; reducing the risk of foodborne illness; and addressing any other environmental hazards identified during facilities inspections.

In developing strategies to promote healthy school environments, the Superintendent or designee may consult and collaborate with local environmental protection agencies, health agencies, water boards, and other community organizations.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the district's maintenance and facilities staff, bus drivers, food services staff, teachers, and other staff as appropriate with professional development regarding their responsibilities in implementing strategies to improve and maintain environmentally safe and healthy schools.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board, staff, parents/guardians, students, and/or governmental agencies, as appropriate, if an environmental hazard is discovered at a school site. The notification shall provide information about the district's actions to remedy the hazard and may recommend health screening of staff and students.

**Policy Reference Disclaimer:**

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

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State	Description
13 CCR 2025	Retrofitting of diesel school buses
13 CCR 2480	Vehicle idling; limitations
17 CCR 35001-36100	Lead abatement services
22 CCR 64670-64672.6	Lead and copper in drinking water
22 CCR 64673-64674	Water System Requirements
22 CCR 64675-64679	Monitoring for Lead and Copper
24 CCR 915.1-915.7	California Building Standards Code; carbon monoxide devices
5 CCR 14010	Procedure for site acquisition
8 CCR 1528-1537	Construction safety orders; exposure to hazards
8 CCR 337-339	Hazardous substances list
8 CCR 340-340.2	Occupational safety and health; rights of employees
8 CCR 5139-5223	Control of hazardous substances
Ed. Code 17002	<a href="#">State School Building Lease-Purchase Law, including definition of good repair</a>
Ed. Code 17070.75	<a href="#">Facilities inspection</a>
Ed. Code 17582	<a href="#">District deferred maintenance fund</a>
Ed. Code 17590	<a href="#">Asbestos abatement fund</a>
Ed. Code 17608-17614	<a href="#">Healthy Schools Act of 2000</a>
Ed. Code 32080-32081	<a href="#">Carbon monoxide devices</a>
Ed. Code 32240-32245	<a href="#">Lead-Safe Schools Protection Act</a>
Ed. Code 48980.3	<a href="#">Notification of pesticide use</a>
Ed. Code 49410-49410.7	<a href="#">Asbestos materials containment or removal</a>
F&A Code 11401-12408	<a href="#">Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals</a>
F&A Code 13180-13188	<a href="#">Healthy Schools Act of 2000</a>
Gov. Code 3543.2	<a href="#">Scope of representation</a>
H&S Code 105400-105430	<a href="#">Indoor environmental quality</a>
H&S Code 113700-114437	<a href="#">California Retail Food Code; sanitation and safety requirements</a>
H&S Code 116277	Lead testing of potable water at schools and requirements to remedy
Federal	Description
15 USC 2601-2629	Control of toxic substances
15 USC 2641-2656	Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act
40 CFR 141.1-141.723	Drinking water standards
40 CFR 745.61-745.339	Lead-based paint standards
40 CFR 763.120-763.123	Asbestos worker protections
40 CFR 763.80-763.99	Asbestos-containing materials in schools
42 USC 1758	Food safety and inspections
7 USC 136-136y	Use of pesticides
Management Resources	Description
CA DHS Publication	Report to the Legislature: Lead Hazards in CA's Public Elementary Schools and Child Care Facilities, April 1998
CA EPA: Air Resources Board Publication	Facts about Truck and Bus Regulation School Bus Provisions, rev. March 22, 2011

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CA State Water Res. Control Board Pub.	FAQ about Lead Testing of Drinking Water in CA Schools; Updated for Assembly Bill 746/Health and Safety Code 116277, December 15, 2017
California Department of Education Publication	Indoor Air Quality, A Guide for Educators, 1995
California Department of Education Publication	School Site Selection and Approval Guide, 2000
CSBA Publication	<a href="#">Sun Safety in Schools, Policy Brief, July 2006</a>
CSBA Publication	Food Safety Requirements, Fact Sheet, October 2007
CSBA Publication	Indoor Air Quality: Governing Board Actions for Creating Healthy School Environments, Policy Brief, July 2008
CSBA Publication	<a href="#">Asthma Management in the Schools, Policy Brief, March 2008</a>
Division of the State Architect Publication	K-12 Occupancy Classification and Load Factors, IR A-26, rev. April 18, 2012
U.S. EPA Publication	A Citizen's Guide to Radon: The Guide to Protecting Yourself and Your Family from Radon, 2016
U.S. EPA Publication	Mold Remediation in Schools and Commercial Buildings, September 2008
U.S. EPA Publication	The ABCs of Asbestos in Schools, rev. August 2003
U.S. EPA Publication	Healthy School Environments Assessment Tool, rev. 2015
U.S. EPA Publication	How to Manage Asbestos in School Buildings: AHERA Designated Person's Self-Study Guide, 1996
U.S. EPA Publication	Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools, rev. 2009
Website	<a href="#">CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services</a>
Website	<a href="#">National Center for Environmental Health</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Building Standards</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Department of Education, Health and Safety</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Department of Pesticide Regulation</a>
Website	<a href="#">California State Water Resources Control Board</a>
Website	<a href="#">Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</a>
Website	<a href="#">Consumer Product Safety Commission</a>
Website	<a href="#">AirNow</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Air Resources Board</a>
Website	<a href="#">U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration</a>
Website	<a href="#">U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</a>
Website	<a href="#">American Association of School Administrators</a>
Website	<a href="#">CSBA</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Department of Public Health</a>
Cross References	
Code	Description
0200	<a href="#">Goals For The School District</a>
0400	<a href="#">Comprehensive Plans</a>
0450	<a href="#">Comprehensive Safety Plan</a>

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0450	<a href="#">Comprehensive Safety Plan</a>
1240	<a href="#">Volunteer Assistance</a>
1240	<a href="#">Volunteer Assistance</a>
1312.4	<a href="#">Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures</a>
1312.4-E(1)	<a href="#">Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures</a>
1312.4-E(2)	<a href="#">Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures</a>
1400	<a href="#">Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies And The Schools</a>
3000	<a href="#">Concepts And Roles</a>
3510	<a href="#">Green School Operations</a>
3511	<a href="#">Energy And Water Management</a>
3511	<a href="#">Energy And Water Management</a>
3511.1	<a href="#">Integrated Waste Management</a>
3511.1	<a href="#">Integrated Waste Management</a>
3514.1	<a href="#">Hazardous Substances</a>
3514.1	<a href="#">Hazardous Substances</a>
3514.2	<a href="#">Integrated Pest Management</a>
3516	<a href="#">Emergencies And Disaster Preparedness Plan</a>
3516	<a href="#">Emergencies And Disaster Preparedness Plan</a>
3516.3	<a href="#">Earthquake Emergency Procedure System</a>
3516.5	<a href="#">Emergency Schedules</a>
3517	<a href="#">Facilities Inspection</a>
3517-E(1)	<a href="#">Facilities Inspection</a>
3530	<a href="#">Risk Management/Insurance</a>
3530	<a href="#">Risk Management/Insurance</a>
3540	<a href="#">Transportation</a>
3541	<a href="#">Transportation Routes And Services</a>
3541.1	<a href="#">Transportation For School-Related Trips</a>
3541.1-E(1)	<a href="#">Transportation For School-Related Trips</a>
3541.1-E(2)	<a href="#">Transportation For School-Related Trips</a>
3542	<a href="#">School Bus Drivers</a>
3550	<a href="#">Food Service/Child Nutrition Program</a>
3550	<a href="#">Food Service/Child Nutrition Program</a>
3580	<a href="#">District Records</a>
3580	<a href="#">District Records</a>
4112.9	<a href="#">Employee Notifications</a>
4112.9-E(1)	<a href="#">Employee Notifications</a>
4131	<a href="#">Staff Development</a>
4157	<a href="#">Employee Safety</a>
4157	<a href="#">Employee Safety</a>
4212.9	<a href="#">Employee Notifications</a>
4212.9-E(1)	<a href="#">Employee Notifications</a>
4231	<a href="#">Staff Development</a>
4257	<a href="#">Employee Safety</a>
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4312.9	<a href="#">Employee Notifications</a>

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4312.9-E(1)	<a href="#"><u>Employee Notifications</u></a>
4331	<a href="#"><u>Staff Development</u></a>
4357	<a href="#"><u>Employee Safety</u></a>
4357	<a href="#"><u>Employee Safety</u></a>
5141.23	<a href="#"><u>Asthma Management</u></a>
5141.23	<a href="#"><u>Asthma Management</u></a>
5141.6	<a href="#"><u>School Health Services</u></a>
5141.6	<a href="#"><u>School Health Services</u></a>
5141.7	<a href="#"><u>Sun Safety</u></a>
5142	<a href="#"><u>Safety</u></a>
5142	<a href="#"><u>Safety</u></a>
5142.2	<a href="#"><u>Safe Routes To School Program</u></a>
5142.2	<a href="#"><u>Safe Routes To School Program</u></a>
5145.6	<a href="#"><u>Parent/Guardian Notifications</u></a>
5145.6-E(1)	<a href="#"><u>Parent/Guardian Notifications</u></a>
6142.5	<a href="#"><u>Environmental Education</u></a>
6142.7	<a href="#"><u>Physical Education And Activity</u></a>
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6163.2	<a href="#"><u>Animals At School</u></a>
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7110	<a href="#"><u>Facilities Master Plan</u></a>
7111	<a href="#"><u>Evaluating Existing Buildings</u></a>
7150	<a href="#"><u>Site Selection And Development</u></a>
7150	<a href="#"><u>Site Selection And Development</u></a>