

Liberty Union High School District

Board Policy

Classification: Students

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Subject: Gangs

The Governing Board desires to keep district schools and students free from the threats or harmful influence of any groups or gangs which advocate drug use, violence, or disruptive behavior. The principal or designee shall maintain continual, visible supervision of school premises so as to deter gang/group intimidation of students and confrontations between members of different gangs/groups.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish open lines of communication with local law enforcement authorities so as to share information and provide mutual support in this effort.

The Superintendent or designee shall in cooperation with law enforcement provide inservice training which helps staff to identify gangs and gang symbols, recognize early manifestations of disruptive activities, and respond appropriately to gang behavior. Staff and selected students shall be trained in the use of conflict management techniques and alerted to intervention measures and community resources which may help our students.

Prevention Education

The Board realizes that many students become involved in gangs without understanding the consequences of gang membership. Early intervention is a key component of efforts to break the cycle of gang membership.

Gang Symbols

The Board prohibits the presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, notebook or manner of grooming which, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, or any other attribute, denotes membership in gangs/groups which advocate drug use, violence or disruptive behavior. This policy shall be applied as the need for it arises at individual school sites.

Legal Reference:

Education Code

51264 Educational inservice training; SDE guidelines

51265 Gang violence and drug and alcohol abuse prevention inservice training

Penal Code

186.22 Participation in criminal street gang

13826-13826.7 Gang violence suppression