

Students

SAFETY

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.

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly review current guidance regarding cybersecurity and digital media awareness and incorporate recommended practices into the district's processes and procedures related to the protection of the district's network infrastructure, and the monitoring and response to suspicious and/or threatening digital media content.

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 provided 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.

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.

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)

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
2. The National Domestic Violence Hotline

Legal Reference:

<u>State</u>	<u>Description</u>
5 CCR 14030	Preliminary procedure, planning and approval of school facilities
5 CCR 14103	Authority of the driver
5 CCR 202	Exclusion of students with a contagious disease

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<u>State</u>	<u>Description</u>
5 CCR 5531	Supervision of extracurricular activities of students
5 CCR 5552	Playground supervision
5 CCR 5570	When school shall be open and teachers present
5 CCR 570-576	School safety patrols
Ed. Code 17280-17317	Field Act; approval of plans and supervision of construction
Ed. Code 17365-17374	Field Act; fitness for occupancy; liability of board members
Ed. Code 215.5	Student identification cards; safety information
Ed. Code 32001	Fire alarms and drills
Ed. Code 32020	School gates; entrances for emergency vehicles
Ed. Code 32030-32034	Eye safety
Ed. Code 32040	Duty to equip school with first aid kit
Ed. Code 32225-32226	Communications devices in classrooms
Ed. Code 32240-32245	Lead-Safe Schools Protection Act
Ed. Code 32250-32254	CDE School Safety and Security Resource Unit
Ed. Code 32280-32289.5	School safety plans
Ed. Code 35179.6	School-sponsored on-campus event in or around swimming pool
Ed. Code 38134	Use of school property
Ed. Code 44807	Teachers' duty concerning conduct of students
Ed. Code 44808	Exemption from liability when students are not on school property
Ed. Code 44808.5	Permission for high school students to leave school grounds; notice
Ed. Code 45450-45451	Crossing guards
Ed. Code 48900	Grounds for suspension or expulsion
Ed. Code 49300-49307	School safety patrols
Ed. Code 49330-49335	Injurious objects
Ed. Code 49341	Hazardous materials in school science laboratories
Ed. Code 49390-49395	Homicide threats
Ed. Code 51202	Instruction in personal and public health and safety
Ed. Code 51860	Time and facilities for bicycle and scooter safety instruction
Ed. Code 8482-8484.65	After School Education and Safety Program
Gov. Code 810-996.6	California Tort Claims Act
H&S Code 115725-115735	Playground safety
H&S Code 115775-115800	Wooden playground equipment
H&S Code 116046	Issuance of best practices guidelines for K-12 pool safety
Pen. Code 245.6	Hazing
Pub. Res. Code 5411	Purchase of playground equipment usable by persons with disabilities

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Legal Reference:

State

Streets and Highways Code 894

Veh. Code 21100

Veh. Code 21212

Veh. Code 42200

Veh. Code 42201

Vehicle Code 21201

Federal

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and Materials Pub.California Department of
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Description[Statewide safety and training programs; electric bicycles](#)[Rules and regulations; crossing guards](#)[Use of helmets](#)[Fines and forfeitures; disposition by cities](#)[Fines and forfeitures; disposition by counties](#)[Rules for operation of bicycle on roadway](#)**Description**Federal Clearinghouse on School Safety Evidence-Based
Practices**Description**

ASTM F1 1487-21, Standard Consumer Safety Performance

Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use

Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2014

J.H. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (2010) 183

Cal.App.4th 123

Knight v. Jewett, (1992) 3 Cal.4th 296

Lane v. City of Sacramento, (2010) 183 Cal. App. 4th. 1337

Kahn v. East Side Union High School District, (2003) 31

Cal.4th 990

Dailey v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (1970) 2 Cal 3d
741Hoyem v. Manhattan Beach City School District, (1978) 22 Cal.
3d 508Wiener v. Southcoast Childcare Centers, (2004) 32 Cal.4th
1138

Public Playground Safety Handbook, 2010

[U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Fusion Centers](#)[California State Threat Assessment System](#)[CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services](#)[National Recreation and Park Association, Certified Playground
Safety Inspector Certification](#)[U.S. Department of Education, Safe Schools](#)[American Society for Testing and Materials](#)[U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission](#)[California Department of Education, Safe Schools](#)[U.S. Environmental Protection Agency](#)[CSBA](#)

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[California Department of Public Health](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

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