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CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND REPORTING

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The Governing Board is committed to supporting the safety and well-being of district students and desires to facilitate the prevention of and response to child abuse and neglect. The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement strategies for preventing, recognizing, and promptly reporting known or suspected child abuse and neglect.

The Superintendent or designee may provide a student who is a victim of abuse with school-based mental health services or other support services and/or may refer the student to resources available within the community as needed.

Child Abuse Prevention

The district's instructional program may provide age-appropriate and culturally sensitive child abuse prevention curriculum which explains students' right to live free of abuse, includes instruction in the skills and techniques needed to identify unsafe situations and react appropriately and promptly, informs students of available support resources, and teaches students how to obtain help and disclose incidents of abuse.

The district's program also may include age-appropriate instruction in sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention. Upon written request of a student's parent/guardian, the student shall be excused from taking such instruction. (Education Code 51900.6)

The Superintendent or designee may display posters, in areas on campus where students frequently congregate, notifying students of the appropriate telephone number to call to report child abuse or neglect. (Education Code 33133.5)

In addition, student identification cards for students in grades 7-12 shall include the National Domestic Violence Hotline telephone number. (Education Code 215.5)

The Superintendent or designee shall, to the extent feasible, seek to incorporate community resources into the district's child abuse prevention programs and may use these resources to provide parents/guardians with instruction in parenting skills and child abuse prevention.

Child Abuse Reporting

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The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the identification and reporting of known and suspected child abuse and neglect in accordance with law.

Procedures for reporting child abuse, as specified in Penal Code 11164-11174.3, shall be included in the district and/or school comprehensive safety plan. (Education Code 32282)

District employees who are mandated reporters, as defined by law and administrative regulation, are obligated to report all known or suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training regarding the duties of mandated reporters as required by law and as specified in the accompanying administrative regulation. (Education Code 44691; Penal Code 11165.7)

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 Governing Board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State

5 CCR 3200-3205

Code of Civil Procedure 340.1

Ed. Code 215.5

Ed. Code 32280-32289.5

Ed. Code 33133.5

Ed. Code 33195

Ed. Code 33308.1

Ed. Code 33546.2

Ed. Code 44252

Ed. Code 44691

Ed. Code 44807

Ed. Code 48906

Ed. Code 48987

Ed. Code 49001

Ed. Code 51220.5

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<i>Ed. Code 51900.6</i>	<u>Sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention instruction</u>
<i>Pen. Code 11164-11174.3</i>	<u>Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act</u>
<i>Pen. Code 152.3</i>	<u>Duty to report murder, rape, or lewd or lascivious act</u>
<i>Pen. Code 273a</i>	<u>Willfully causing unjustifiable pain or mental suffering of child; endangering life or health</u>
<i>Pen. Code 286</i>	<u>Crime of sodomy</u>
<i>Pen. Code 288</i>	<u>Crime of oral copulation</u>
<i>Pen. Code 288</i>	<u>Definition of lewd or lascivious act requiring reporting</u>
<i>Pen. Code 289</i>	<u>Crime of sexual penetration</u>
<i>Pen. Code 311-312.7</i>	<i>Obscene matter</i>
<i>Pen. Code 801.8</i>	<i>Failure to report an incident known or reasonably suspected by a mandated reporter to be sexual assault, child abuse, or severe neglect</i>
<i>W&I Code 15630-15637</i>	<u>Dependent adult abuse reporting</u>
<i>W&I Code 16509.1</i>	<i>Treatment of children by spiritual means through prayer; neglect</i>
Federal	Description
<i>42 USC 11434a</i>	<u>McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions</u>
Management Resources	Description
<i>California Department of Education Publication</i>	<u>Health Education Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve, May 2019</u>
<i>California Department of Education Publication</i>	<u>Health Education Content Standards for California Public Schools: Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve, 2008</u>
<i>Court Decision</i>	<u>Camreta v. Greene (2011) 131 S.Ct. 2020</u>
<i>CSBA Publication</i>	<u>Why Schools Hold the Promise for Adolescent Mental Health, Governance Brief, May 2019</u>
<i>Website</i>	<u>SchoolSafety.gov, Child Exploitation</u>
<i>Website</i>	<u>CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services</u>
<i>Website</i>	<u>California Department of Social Services, Information Resources Guide</u>
<i>Website</i>	<u>California Department of Education, Child Abuse Prevention Training and Resources</u>
<i>Website</i>	<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Child Welfare Information Gateway</u>
<i>Website</i>	<u>California Attorney General's Office, Suspected Child Abuse Report Form</u>

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