



# Delano Union School District

## Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) Annual Notice 2026-2027

The Delano Union School District annually notifies our students, employees, parents or guardians of students, the district advisory committee, school advisory committees, appropriate private school officials, and other interested parties of our Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) process.

The UCP Annual Notice is available on our website.

We are primarily responsible for compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, including those related to prohibition of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying against any protected group, and all programs and activities that are subject to the UCP.

### **Programs and Activities Subject to the UCP**

- Accommodations for Pregnant and Parenting Pupils
- Adult Education
- After School Education and Safety
- Agricultural Career Technical Education
- Career Technical and Technical Education and Career Technical and Technical Training Programs
- Child Care and Development Programs
- Compensatory Education
- Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs
- Course Periods without Educational Content
- Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against any protected group as identified under sections 200 and 220 and Section 11135 of the Government Code. Including any actual or perceived characteristic, as set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution, as defined in Section 210.3, that is funded directly by, or that receives or benefits from, any state financial assistance.
- Educational and graduation requirements for pupils in foster care, pupils who are homeless, pupils from military families, pupils formerly in Juvenile Court now enrolled in a school district, pupils who are migratory, and pupils participating in a newcomer program.
- Every Student Succeeds Act
- Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP)
- Migrant Education
- Physical Education Instructional Minutes

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- Pupil Fees
- Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Pupil
- Regional Occupational Centers and Programs
- School Plans for Student Achievement
- School Site Councils
- State Preschool
- State Preschool Health and Safety Issues in LEAs Exempt from Licensing

And any other state or federal educational program the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) of the California Department of Education (CDE) or designee deems appropriate.

## **Filing a UCP Complaint**

A UCP complaint, except a complaint alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying must be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred.

A UCP complaint alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying must be filed no later than six months from the date of the alleged conduct or the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged conduct.

For complaints relating to Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP), the date of the alleged violation is the date when the reviewing authority approves the LCAP or annual update that was adopted by our agency.

A pupil enrolled in any of our public schools shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity that constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's education program, including curricular and extra-curricular activities.

A pupil fee complaint may be filed with the principal of a school or our superintendent or their designee.

A pupil fee or LCAP complaint may be filed anonymously, that is, without an identifying signature, if the complainant provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support an allegation of noncompliance.

## **Responsibilities of the Delano Union School District**

We shall post a standardized notice, in addition to this notice, with educational and graduation requirements for pupils in foster care, pupils experiencing homelessness, pupils from military families, pupils formerly in Juvenile Court now enrolled in a school district, pupils who are migratory, and pupils participating in a newcomer program as specified in Education Code 48645.7, 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2, and the complaint process.

Complaints will be investigated in accordance with the district's UCP and a written decision will be sent to the complainant within 60 days from the receipt of the complaint, unless this time period is extended by written agreement of the complainant.

We advise complainants of the opportunity to appeal an Investigation Report of complaints regarding programs within the scope of the UCP to the Department of Education (CDE) by filing



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a written appeal, including a copy of the original complaint, and the district's decision, within 30 calendar days of receiving the district's decision.

We advise complainants of civil law remedies, including but not limited to injunctions, restraining orders, or other remedies or orders that may be available under state or federal laws prohibiting discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying, if applicable.

Complainants will be protected from retaliation.

Copies of our UCP procedures shall be available free of charge.

## **For UCP Complaints Regarding State Preschool Health and Safety Issues Pursuant to Section 1596.7925 of the California *Health and Safety Code* (HSC)**

In order to identify appropriate subjects of state preschool health and safety issues pursuant to Section 1596.7925 of the California *Health and Safety Code* (HSC) a notice shall be posted in each California state preschool program classroom in each school in our agency.

The notice is in addition to this UCP annual notice and addresses parents, guardians, pupils, and teachers of (1) the health and safety requirements under Title 5 of the California *Code of Regulations* (5CCR) that apply to California state preschool programs pursuant to *HSC* Section 1596.7925, and (2) the location at which to obtain a form to file a complaint.

### **Contact Information**

Complaints within the scope of the UCP are to be filed with the person responsible for processing complaints as indicated below:

Joseph Hunter, Assistant Superintendent

District Office

1405 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Delano, CA 93215

(661) 721-5000, ext. 00102

[jhunter@duesd.org](mailto:jhunter@duesd.org)

The above contact is knowledgeable about the laws and programs that they are assigned to investigate in the Delano Union School District.