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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.

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(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)
(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
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(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 3515.21 - Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones))

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)

(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5142.1 - Identification and Reporting of Missing Children)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)

(cf. 7111- Evaluating Existing Buildings)

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 afterschool programs, morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up, and while students are using district transportation to and from school.

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.

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(cf. 5141.7 - Sun Safety)
(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)
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Student Identification Cards and Safety Information

Student identification cards of students in grades 6-12 shall have printed on them safety information, including the following: (Education Code 215.5, 217)

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

(cf. 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention)

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2. The National Domestic Violence Hotline

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8482-8484.65 After School Education and Safety Program

17280-17317 Building approvals (Field Act)

17365-17374 Fitness of school facilities for occupancy

32001 Fire alarms and drills

32020 School gates; entrances for emergency vehicles

32030-32034 Eye safety

32040 First aid equipment

32225-32226 Two-way communication devices in classrooms

32240-32245 Lead-free schools

32250-32254 CDE school safety and security resources unit

32280-32289 Safety plans

44807 Duty of teachers concerning conduct of students

44808 Exemption from liability when students are not on school property

44808.5 Permission for students to leave school grounds; notice (high school)

45450-45451 Crossing guards

48900 Hazing

49300-49307 School safety patrol

49330-49335 Injurious objects

49341 Hazardous materials in school science laboratories

51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

GOVERNMENT CODE

810-996.6 California Tort Claims Act

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

115725-115735 Playground safety

115775-115800 Wooden playground equipment

116046 Issuance of best practices guidelines for K-12 pool safety

PENAL CODE

245.6 Hazing

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

5411 Purchase of equipment usable by persons with disabilities

VEHICLE CODE

21100 Rules and regulations; crossing guards

21201 Rules for operation of bicycle on roadway

21212 Use of helmets

42200 Fines and forfeitures, disposition by cities

42201 Fines and forfeitures, disposition by counties

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

202 Exclusion of students with a contagious disease

570-576 School safety patrols

5531 Supervision of social activities

5552 Playground supervision

5570 When school shall be open and teachers present

14030 Standards for development of plans for the design and construction of school facilities

14103 Bus driver; authority over pupils

COURT DECISIONS

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Hoyem v. Manhattan Beach City School District, (1978) 22 Cal. 3d 508 Dailey v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (1970) 2 Cal 3d 741

Management Resources:

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS

F 1487-05, Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use, 2017

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2014

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION PUBLICATIONS

Public Playground Safety Handbook, 2010

WEB SITES

American Society for Testing and Materials: http://www.astm.org

California Department of Education, Safe Schools Office: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss

California Department of Public Health: http://www.cdph.ca.gov Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: http://www.cdc.gov

Environmental Protection Agency: http://www.epa.gov

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission: http://www.cpsc.gov

U.S. Department of Education, Safe Schools: http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/osep/gtss.html

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