

Personnel

Publication or Creation of Materials

The Board of Trustees recognizes that district employees may create copyrightable materials at work, at home, or both at work and at home. The development of copyrightable materials during, or in part during, the work day shall be approved by the Superintendent or designee. However, the Superintendent's approval or lack of approval shall not affect the district's ownership of copyrights for materials developed during work hours.

Materials written or developed by an employee during the normal school day are considered district property. (Education Code 60076, 17 USC 201)

The Board may secure copyrights in the name of the district for all copyrightable works developed by the district. All royalties or revenues from these copyrights shall be used for the benefit of the district. (Education Code 35170)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32360 Copyrights; use of funds

32361 Copyrights; use of employee worktime

35170 Authority to secure copyrights

35182 Marketing or licensing noneducational mainframe electronic data-processing software

60076 Royalties or other compensation

LABOR CODE

2870-2872 Inventions made by an employee

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 17

201 Federal copyright law

201a Federal copyright law

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