

Positive School Climate

The Board of Trustees desires to provide an orderly and caring learning environment in which students work diligently on their studies, feel comfortable, share responsibility for maintaining a positive school climate, and take pride in their school and their achievements. District staff members shall encourage and reward success and achievement, participation in community projects, and positive student conduct.

(cf. 5123 - Awards for Achievement)

(cf. 6142.4 - Community Service)

The District shall encourage attitudes and behaviors that promote mutual respect and harmonious relations. The Superintendent or designee may initiate campus beautification projects, buddy systems, vandalism prevention campaigns, and other programs in which students may identify and solve problems that affect their schools.

(cf. 5146 - Campus Disturbances)

(cf. 5144 - Gangs)

Students shall not: bully or injure other students; use vulgar, obscene or inflammatory language which challenges others toward violence; or damage or deface school or personal property. Students who do so shall be subject to appropriate counseling and discipline in accordance with law.

(cf. 5184 - Freedom of Speech/Expression: Publications Code)

(cf. 5183 - Sexual Harassment)

The Board of Trustees encourages classroom use of conflict resolution and cooperative learning techniques and other strategies that foster positive social interactions among students. The District shall provide instruction and counseling designed to promote positive student relationships, help students understand diverse cultures, teach them to think critically, and show them how to deal with discriminatory behavior in appropriate ways.

(cf. 6161 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6141.6 - Multicultural Education)

If school personnel witness an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, he or she shall take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so.

(Education Code Section 234.1(b)(1))

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

234.1 Monitoring, review, and assessment of anti-discrimination, anti-harassment, anti-intimidation, and anti-bullying requirements

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

48907 Student exercise of free expression

48950 Freedom of speech

48900.3 Hate Violence

48900.4 Harassment, Intimidation