

## **Instruction**

### **Toxic Art Supplies**

The Board of Trustees recognizes its responsibility to protect the health and safety of students in the selection of materials used for instruction in arts and crafts activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the purchase, use and proper disposal of arts and crafts materials which ensure that the health and safety of students is protected from harmful exposure to toxic substances in accordance with Education Code 32064 and established health standards.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that arts and crafts material purchased for use by students in grades K-6 will not contain toxic substances or cause chronic illness as determined by the State Department of Health Services.

Students in grades 7-8 are considered able to read and understand product labels and to take adequate precautions to use products which are prohibited for use in grades K-6. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that arts and crafts materials purchased for use in grades 7-8 meet the requirements of Education Code 32065. The products must be properly labeled to identify toxic ingredients, warn of potential adverse health effects and describe procedures for safe use and storage.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)  
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)  
(cf. 5142 - Safety)

#### Legal Reference:

##### EDUCATION CODE

32060 Legislative findings and declarations  
32061 Art or craft material; definition  
32062 Human carcinogen; definition  
32063 Toxic substance causing chronic illness; definition  
32064 Restrictions on purchases of arts and crafts materials  
32065 Warning labels  
32066 List of toxic art supplies; preparation and distribution

##### HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

108500-108515 Labeling of arts and crafts materials

##### PENAL CODE

594.1 Aerosol containers of paint

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