

The Governing Board recognizes that students and staff have the right to a safe and secure campus where they are free from physical and psychological harm. The Board is fully committed to maximizing school safety and to creating a positive learning environment that ~~teaches~~ includes strategies for violence prevention and high expectations for student conduct, responsible behavior and respect for others.

- (cf. [0410](#) - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
- (cf. [1312.3](#) - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
- (cf. [3515](#) - Campus Security)
- (cf. [3515.2](#) - Disruptions)
- (cf. [3515.3](#) - District Police/Security Department)
- (cf. 3515.7 – Firearms on School Grounds)
- (cf. [5131](#) - Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.2 – Bullying)
- (cf. [5131.4](#) - Student Disturbances)
- (cf. [5131.7](#) - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)
- (cf. [5136](#) - Gangs)
- (cf. [5137](#) - Positive School Climate)
- (cf. [5138](#) - Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation)
- (cf. [5144](#) - Discipline)
- (cf. [5144.1](#) - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
- (cf. [5144.2](#) - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
- (cf. [5145.3](#) - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
- (cf. [5145.7](#) - Sexual Harassment)
- (cf. [5145.9](#) - Hate-Motivated Behavior)

The Superintendent or designee shall oversee the development of a districtwide comprehensive safety plan that is applicable to each school site. (Education Code [32281](#))

The comprehensive safety plan(s) shall be reviewed and updated by March 1 of each year. (Education Code [32286](#))

The Board shall review the comprehensive safety plan(s) in order to ensure compliance with state law, Board policy, and administrative regulation and shall approve the plan(s) at a regularly scheduled meeting.

- (cf. [0500](#) - Accountability)
- (cf. [9320](#) - Meetings and Notices)

By October 15 of each year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the California Department of Education of any schools that have not complied with the requirements of Education Code [32281](#). (Education Code [32288](#))

Tactical Response Plan

Notwithstanding the process described above, any portion of a comprehensive safety plan that includes tactical responses to criminal incidents that may result in death or serious bodily injury at the school site,

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including steps to be taken to safeguard students and staff, secure the affected school premises, and apprehend the criminal perpetrator(s), shall be developed by district administrators in accordance with Education Code [32281](#). In developing such strategies, district administrators shall consult with law enforcement officials and with a representative of an employee bargaining unit, if he/she chooses to participate.

When reviewing the tactical response plan, the Board may meet in closed session to confer with law enforcement officials, provided that any vote to approve the tactical response plan is announced in open session following the closed session. (Education Code [32281](#))

(cf. [4119.23/4219.23/4319.23](#) - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)

(cf. [9011](#) - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)

(cf. [9321](#) - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)

(cf. [9321.1](#) - Closed Session Actions and Reports)

Public Access to Safety Plan(s)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that an updated file of all safety-related plans and materials is readily available for inspection by the public. (Education Code [32282](#))

(cf. [1340](#) - Access to District Records)

However, those portions of the comprehensive safety plan that include tactical responses to criminal incidents shall not be publicly disclosed.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

[200-262.4](#) Prohibition of discrimination

[32260-32262](#) Interagency School Safety Demonstration Act of 1985

[32270](#) School safety cadre

[32280-32289](#) School safety plans

[32290](#) Safety devices

[35147](#) School site councils and advisory committees

[35183](#) School dress code; uniforms

[35291](#) Rules

[35291.5](#) School-adopted discipline rules

[35294.10-35294.15](#) School Safety and Violence Prevention Act

[41510-41514](#) School Safety Consolidated Competitive Grant Program

[48900-48927](#) Suspension and expulsion

[48950](#) Speech and other communication

[49079](#) Notification to teacher; student act constituting grounds for suspension or expulsion

[67381](#) Violent crime

PENAL CODE

[422.55](#) Definition of hate crime

[626.8](#) Disruptions

[11164-11174.3](#) Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act

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CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 1, Section 28(c) Right to Safe Schools

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

[11987-11987.7](#) School Community Violence Prevention Program requirements

[11992-11993](#) Definition, persistently dangerous schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

[7101-7165](#) Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities

[7912](#) Transfers from persistently dangerous schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

[12101-12213](#) Americans with Disabilities Act

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, Third Edition, October 2011

Community Schools: Partnerships Supporting Students, Families and Communities, Policy Brief, October 2010

Cyberbullying: Policy Considerations for Boards, Policy Brief, July 2010

Providing a Safe, Nondiscriminatory School Environment for All Students, Policy Brief, April 2010

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Safe Schools: A Planning Guide for Action, 2002

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Practical Information on Crisis Planning: A Guide for Schools and Communities, January 2007

Early Warning, Timely Response: A Guide to Safe Schools, August 1998

U.S. SECRET SERVICE AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Threat Assessment in Schools: A Guide to Managing Threatening Situations and to Creating Safe School Climates, 2002

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

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

California Emergency Management Agency: <http://www.calema.ca.gov>

California Healthy Kids Survey: <http://chks.wested.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention>

Federal Bureau of Investigation: <http://www.fbi.gov>

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National Alliance for Safe Schools: <http://www.safeschools.org>

National Center for Crisis Management: <http://www.schoolcrisisresponse.com>

National School Safety Center: <http://www.schoolsafety.us>

U.S. Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov>

U.S. Secret Service, National Threat Assessment Center: http://www.secretservice.gov/ntac_ssi.shtml

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