LAGUNA BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT • SPECIAL MEETING • 550 Blumont St. Laguna Beach, CA 92651

February 9, 2018

Special Meeting 8:30 – 10:30 AM

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (Non- Agenda Items)

Opportunities for public input occur at each agenda item and at Public Comment. Members of the public may address the Board of Education regarding items not on the agenda, yet within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, during Public Comment. The public may speak about items that are on the agenda during consideration of that item. Speaking time is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker with a maximum of twenty (20) minutes per topic.

Persons wishing to address the Board are asked to complete and submit a public comment card, available on the information table. Matters not on the agenda cannot be acted upon or discussed by the Board. The Board may ask staff to research and respond accordingly.

Policy Number	Description	Notes
0100	Philosophy	Replace and Delete Board Policy 6003
0200	Goals for the School District	Replace and Delete Board Policy 6004
3250	Transportation Fees	New
3555	Nutrition Program Compliance	New
4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 Exhibit 4119.21 Exhibit 4219.21 Exhibit 5319.21	Professional Standards	Replace and Delete Board Policy 4302

6. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BOARD POLICIES - Jason Viloria, Ed.D., Superintendent

Policy Number	Description	Notes
4127/4227/4327	Temporary Athletic Team Coaches	New
4140/4240/4340	Bargaining Units	New
4161/4261/4361	Leaves	New
4215	Evaluation/Supervision - Classified	New
4315	Evaluation/Supervision - Administrators	New
5030	Student Wellness	Update
5112.5	Open/Closed Campus	Replace and Delete Board Policy 5040
5116	School Attendance Boundaries	Replace and Delete Board Policy 6001
5116.1	Intradistrict Open Enrollment	Replace and Delete Board Policy 5036
5125.1	Release of Directory Information	Replace and Delete Board Policy 1002
5126	Awards For Achievement	New
5127	Graduation Ceremonies and Activities	New
6142.91	Reading/Language Arts Instruction	New
6142.92	Mathematics Instruction	New
6142.93	Science Instruction	New
6142.94	History/Social Science Instruction	New

7. ADJOURNMENT

- Jan Vickers, President, Board of Education

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is **Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 6:00 PM** at the Laguna Beach Unified School District Office Board Room 550 Blumont St., Laguna Beach, California

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS PRESENT AT THIS MEETING

We are pleased you have joined us for this meeting. Community interest in our schools is welcome and valued.

The members of the LBUSD Board of Education are locally elected officials, serve four-year terms of office, and are responsible for the schools' educational programs, grades kindergarten through twelve. The Board is a policy-making body whose actions are guided by the District's vision, mission, and goals. Administration of the District is delegated to a professional administrative staff led by the Superintendent. Board members are required to conduct the programs of the schools in accordance with the Constitution of the State of California, the California Education Code, and other laws relating to schools enacted by the Legislature, in addition to policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Education.

Materials that are public records related to open session agenda items are occasionally distributed to Board members after the agenda has been posted. These materials will be available for public inspection in the Office of the Superintendent between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ITEMS ON THE AGENDA: Members of the public may address the Board of Education on agenda items during consideration of that item. Speaking time is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker with a maximum of twenty (20) minutes per topic, unless the time limit is waived by a majority of the Board.

Persons wishing to address the Board are asked to complete and submit a public comment card, available on the information table.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Agenda Items): Members of the public may address the Board of Education regarding items not on the agenda, yet within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction during public comment. Speaking time is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker with a maximum of twenty (20) minutes per topic, unless the time limit waived by a majority of the Board. Legally, the Board cannot take action on topics raised by speakers and discussion may not be held by the Board. The Board may ask staff to research and respond accordingly.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

In accordance with the Americans with Disability Act, members of the public who require disability accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact the Office of the Superintendent in writing by noon on the Friday before the scheduled meeting.

PHILOSOPHY

BP 0100

Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans

In order to establish and support a guiding vision for the district, the Governing Board shall develop, articulate, and regularly review an overarching set of fundamental principles which describe the district's core beliefs, values, and tenets. The Board and district staff shall incorporate these principles into all programs, activities, and operations of the district.

It is the philosophy of the district that:

- 1. All students can learn and succeed.
- 2. Every student should have an opportunity to receive a quality education regardless of his/her social, cultural, or economic background.
- 3. Every student in the district has a right to be free from discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying, as prohibited by law or district policy.
- 4. The future of our nation and community depends on students possessing the skills to be lifelong learners, collaborative and creative problem solvers, and effective, contributing members of a global and technologically advanced society.
- 5. Highly skilled and dedicated teachers and educational support staff have the capacity to guide students toward individual achievement and growth, and have a direct and powerful influence on student learning and life experiences.
- 6. A safe, nurturing environment and positive school climate are necessary for learning, academic achievement, and student development.
- 7. Parents/guardians have a right and an obligation to be engaged in their child's education and to be involved in the intellectual, physical, emotional, and social development and well-being of their child.
- 8. The needs of the whole child must be addressed, as the ability of children to learn is affected by social, health, and economic conditions and other factors outside the classroom.
- 9. Early identification of learning and behavioral difficulties and timely and appropriate support and intervention contribute to student success.
- 10. Students and staff are encouraged and motivated by high expectations and recognition for their accomplishments.
- 11. School improvement is a dynamic process requiring flexibility and innovation to meet the needs of students in a changing world.

- 12. Professional development for the Board and district staff is essential for the growth and success of the district and its students.
- 13. The diversity of the student body and school staff enriches the learning experience, promotes cultural awareness and acceptance, and serves as a model for citizenship in a global society.
- 14. A common set of norms and protocols is crucial to effective governance.
- 15. Communication, trust, respect, collaboration, and teamwork strengthen the relationship among Board members and between the Board and Superintendent, and contribute to the effectiveness of the governance team.
- 16. The community and district are inextricably connected partners, wherein the community's engagement in issues that impact the schools enhances the district's programs and student learning.
- 17. Two-way communication with all stakeholders is essential for establishing continuity, support, and shared goals both within the district and with the surrounding community.
- 18. The Board has a responsibility to advocate on behalf all students, keep current on legislative issues affecting education, and build positive relationships with local, state, and federal representatives.

A fiscally sound budget which is reflective of the district's vision is imperative to the financial stability of the district and to the attainment of its goals.

Responsibility for district programs and operations is shared by the entire educational community, with ultimate accountability resting with the Board as the basic embodiment of representative government.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 51002 Local development of programs based on stated philosophy and goals 51019 Definition of philosophy 51100-51101 Parental involvement

Date Board Policy Adopted: (Replaced BP 6003)

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Board Policy No. 6003: PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

- A. The District affirms that education of children and youth is the mutual responsibility of the parents and the schools. The District affirms that the philosophical goals of the Instruction Program are as follows:
 - 1. To develop each pupil's individual capacity to the fullest extent.
 - 2. To develop the potential of each pupil so that he/she will be informed, prepared and capable of assuming full responsibility for making his/her own decisions.
 - 3. To develop in each individual a respect for himself/herself and the capacity to maintain his/her individuality and to respect the same right for every other individual.
 - 4. To prepare each individual to enter society physically, mentally, emotionally and morally equipped to lead a life that is productive and satisfying to himself/herself as a free individual and to society.
 - 5. To develop in each individual a sense of leadership and responsibility for the preservation, wise use and improvement of his/her cultural, political and natural heritage.
 - 6. To develop in each individual a respect for the value of open and honest inquiry.

GOALS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BP 0200

Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans

As part of the Governing Board's responsibility to set direction for the school district, the Board shall adopt long-term goals focused on the achievement of all district students. The district's goals shall be aligned with the district's vision, mission, philosophy, and priorities.

In developing goals and identifying strategies to achieve those goals, the Board and Superintendent shall solicit input and review from key stakeholders. The Board shall also review and consider quantitative and/or qualitative data, including data disaggregated by student subgroup and school site, to ensure that district goals are aligned with student needs.

Goals shall be established for all students and each numerically significant subgroup as defined in Education Code 52052, which may include ethnic subgroups, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, English learners, students with disabilities, foster youth, and homeless students and shall address each of the state priorities identified in Education Code 52060 and any additional local priorities established by the Board. These goals shall be incorporated into the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP).

The LCAP shall include a clear description of each goal, one or more of the state or local priorities addressed by the goal, any student subgroup(s) or school site(s) to which the goal is applicable, and expected progress toward meeting the goal for the term of the LCAP and in each year.

Each year the district's update to the LCAP shall review progress toward the goals and describe any changes to the goals.

In addition to the goals identified in the LCAP, and consistent with those goals, the district and each school site may establish goals for inclusion in another district or school plan or for any other purpose. Such goals may address the improvement of governance, leadership, fiscal integrity, facilities, community involvement and collaboration, student wellness and other conditions of children, and/or any other areas of district or school operations. As appropriate, each goal shall include benchmarks or short-term objectives that can be used to determine progress toward meeting the goal.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17002 State School Building Lease-Purchase Law, including definition of good repair

42238.01-42238.07 Local control funding formula

44258.9 County superintendent review of teacher assignment

51002 Local development of programs based on stated philosophy and goals

51020 Definition of goal

- 51021 Definition of objective
- 51041 Evaluation of the educational program
- 51210 Course of study for grades 1-6
- 51220 Course of study for grades 7-12

52050-52059 Public Schools Accountability Act, especially:

52052 Numerically significant student subgroups

52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan

60119 Sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials; hearing and resolution

64000-64001 Consolidated application process

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 State plan

6312 Local educational agency plan

Date Policy Adopted: (Replaced BP 6004)



Board Policy No. 6004

DISTRICT GOALS

A. District goals shall be determined by the Board of Education and distributed annually.

Date Policy Adopted By The Board: December 11, 2001

TRANSPORTATION FEES

BP 3250

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Because the cost of providing student transportation exceeds funding provided by the state, the Governing Board finds it necessary to charge fees for home-to-school student transportation.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually submit proposed transportation fee schedules for Board approval. Fees shall be determined on the basis of operating costs in accordance with law.

No charge shall be made for any transportation of students whose individualized education program require transportation or whose parents/guardians are determined indigent pursuant to administrative regulations.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 10913 Fees for uses of school buses for community recreation purposes 35330 Excursions or field trips 39800-39860 Transportation, especially: 39801.5 Transportation fees for adults 39807.5 Payment of transportation cost; amount of payment 39809.5 Excess fees; adjustments 39837 Fees for summer employment transportation 41850 Home-to-school and special education transportation 49557 Applications for free and reduced price meals 49558 Confidentiality of applications and records 56026 Individuals with exceptional needs CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 350 Fees not permitted CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7 245.8 (a) Nondiscrimination practices for children eligible to receive free and reduced price meals and free milk

NUTRITION PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

BP 3555

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the district's responsibility to comply with state and federal nondiscrimination laws as they apply to the district's nutrition programs. The district shall not deny any individual the benefits or service of any nutrition program or discriminate against him/her on any basis prohibited by law.

Coordinator

The Board designates the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures as the district's civil rights coordinator to ensure compliance with the laws governing its nutrition programs and to investigate any related complaints.

The responsibilities of the compliance officer/coordinator include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Providing the name of the civil rights coordinator, Section 504 coordinator, and Title IX coordinator, if different from the civil rights coordinator, to the California Department of Education and other interested parties
- 2. Annually providing mandatory civil rights training to all frontline staff who interact with program applicants or participants and to those who supervise frontline staff

The subject matter of such training shall include, but not be limited to, collection and use of data, effective public notification systems, complaint procedures, compliance review techniques, resolution of noncompliance, requirements for reasonable accommodation of persons with disabilities, requirements for language assistance, conflict resolution, and customer service.

- 3. Establishing admission and enrollment procedures that do not restrict enrollment of students on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, or disability, including preventing staff from incorrectly denying applications and ensuring that such persons have equal access to all programs
- 4. Sending a public release announcing the availability of the child nutrition programs and/or changes in the programs to public media and to community and grassroots organizations that interact directly with eligible or potentially eligible participants
- 5. Communicating the program's nondiscrimination policy and applicable complaint procedures, as provided in the section "Notifications" below

- 6. Providing appropriate translation services when a significant number of persons in the surrounding population have limited English proficiency
- 7. Ensuring that every part of a facility is accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities and that participants with disabilities are not excluded from the benefits or services due to inaccessibility of facilities
- 8. Ensuring that special meals are made available to participants with disabilities who have a medical statement on file documenting that their disability restricts their diet
- 9. Implementing procedures to process and resolve civil rights (discrimination) complaints and program-related complaints, including maintaining a complaint log and working with the appropriate person to resolve any complaint
- 10. Developing a method, which preferably uses self-identification or self-reporting, to collect racial and ethnic data for potentially eligible populations, applicants, and participants

Notifications

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) "And Justice for All" civil rights poster or a substitute poster approved by the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service shall be displayed in areas visible to the district's nutrition program participants, such as food service areas and school offices.

The coordinator shall notify the public, all program applicants, participants, and potentially eligible persons of their program rights and responsibilities and steps necessary for participation. Applicants, participants, and the public also shall be advised of their right to file a complaint, how to file a complaint, the complaint procedures, and that a complaint may be file anonymously or by a third party.

In addition, all forms of communication available to the public regarding program availability shall contain, in a prominent location, the following statement:

"In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at:

http:// www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

fax: (202) 690-7442; or

email: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

Forms of communication requiring this nondiscrimination statement include, but are not limited to, web sites, public information releases, publications, and posters, but exclude menus. The nondiscrimination statement need not be included on every page of program information on the district's or school's web site, but the statement or a link to the statement shall be included on the homepage of the program information.

A short version of the nondiscrimination statement, stating "This institution is an equal opportunity provider," may be used on pamphlets, brochures, and flyers in the same print size as the rest of the text.

Complaints

Any complaint concerning the district's nutrition programs shall be investigated using the process identified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

When a complaint alleging discrimination of the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability is unresolved at the district level, the coordinator shall notify the complainant of the option to contact and/or forward his/her complaint to one of the following agencies:

- 1. Child Nutrition Program Civil Rights and Program Complaint Coordinator, California Department of Education, Nutrition Services Division, 1430 N Street, Room 4503, Sacramento, CA 95814-2342 or call (916) 323-8531 or (800) 952-5609
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, (866) 632-9992, (800) 877-8339 (Federal Relay Service - English), (800) 845-6136 (Federal Relay Service -Spanish), fax (202) 690-7442, or email program.intake.usda.gov.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination 48985 Notices to parents in language other than English 49060-49079 Student records 49490-49590 Child nutrition programs PENAL CODE 422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 3080 Application of section 4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures 4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20 1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act 1681-1688 Discrimination based on sex or blindness, Title IX **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29** 794 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42 2000d-2000d-7 Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964 2000e-2000e-17 Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended 2000h-2000h-6 Title IX 12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7 210.23 National School Lunch Program, district responsibilities 215.7 Special Milk Program, requirements for participation 215.14 Special Milk Program, nondiscrimination 220.7 School Breakfast Program, requirements for participation 225.3 Summer Food Service Program, administration 225.7 Summer Food Service Program, program monitoring CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28 35.101-35.190 Americans with Disabilities Act 36.303 Auxiliary aids and services CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34 100.1-100.13 Nondiscrimination in federal programs, effectuating Title VI 104.1-104.39 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 106.1-106.61 Discrimination on the basis of sex, effectuating Title IX, especially: 106.9 Dissemination of policy

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

BP 4119.21 4219.21 4319.21

Personnel

The Governing Board expects district employees to maintain the highest ethical standards, behave professionally, follow district policies and regulations, abide by state and federal laws, and exercise good judgment when interacting with students and other members of the school community. Employees shall engage in conduct that enhances the integrity of the district, advances the goals of the district's educational programs, and contributes to a positive school climate.

Each employee is expected to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to fulfill his/her responsibilities and to contribute to the learning and achievement of district students.

Inappropriate Conduct

Inappropriate employee conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Engaging in any conduct that endangers students, staff, or others, including, but not limited to, physical violence, threats of violence, or possession of a firearm or other weapon
- 2. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior towards students, parents/guardians, staff, or community members, or failing or refusing to intervene when an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against a student is observed
- 3. Physically abusing, sexually abusing, neglecting, or otherwise willfully harming or injuring a child
- 4. Engaging in inappropriate socialization or fraternization with a student or soliciting, encouraging, or maintaining an inappropriate written, verbal, or physical relationship with a student
- 5. Possessing or viewing any pornography on school grounds, or possessing or viewing child pornography or other imagery portraying children in a sexualized manner at any time
- 6. Using profane, obscene, or abusive language against students, parents/guardians, staff, or community members

- 7. Willfully disrupting district or school operations by loud or unreasonable noise or other action
- 8. Using tobacco, alcohol, or an illegal or unauthorized substance, or possessing or distributing any controlled substance, while in the workplace, on district property, or at a school-sponsored activity
- 9. Being dishonest with students, parents/guardians, staff, or members of the public, including, but not limited to, falsifying information in employment records or other school records
- 10. Divulging confidential information about students, district employees, or district operations to persons or entities not authorized to receive the information
- 11. Using district equipment or other district resources for the employee's own commercial purposes or for political activities
- 12. Using district equipment or communications devices for personal purposes while on duty, except in an emergency, during scheduled work breaks, or for personal necessity

Employees shall be notified that computer files and all electronic communications, including, but not limited to, email and voice mail, are not private. To ensure proper use, the Superintendent or designee may monitor employee usage of district technological resources at any time without the employee's consent.

- 13. Causing damage to or engaging in theft of property belonging to students, staff, or the district
- 14. Wearing inappropriate attire

Reports of Misconduct

An employee who observes or has evidence of another employee's inappropriate conduct shall immediately report such conduct to the principal or Superintendent or designee. An employee who has knowledge of or suspects child abuse or neglect shall file a report pursuant to the district's child abuse reporting procedures as detailed in AR 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting.

Any reports of employee misconduct shall be promptly investigated. Any employee who is found to have engaged in inappropriate conduct in violation of law or Board policy shall be subject to disciplinary action and, in the case of a certificated employee, may be subject to a report to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement as appropriate.

An employee who has knowledge of but fails to report inappropriate employee conduct may also be subject to discipline.

The district prohibits retaliation against anyone who files a complaint against an employee or reports an employee's inappropriate conduct. Any employee who retaliates against any such complainant, reporter, or other participant in the district's complaint process shall be subject to discipline.

Notifications

The section(s) of the district's employee code of conduct addressing interactions with students shall be provided to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year and shall be posted on school and/or district websites.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination 44050 Employee code of conduct; interaction with students 44242.5 Reports and review of alleged misconduct 48980 Parental notifications PENAL CODE 11164-11174.4 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 80303 Reports of dismissal, resignation and other terminations for alleged misconduct 80331-80338 Rules of conduct for professional educators

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CODE OF ETHICS OF THE EDUCATION PROFESSION

Preamble

The educator, believing in the worth and dignity of each human being, recognizes the supreme importance of the pursuit of truth, devotion to excellence, and the nurturing of democratic principles. Essential to these goals is the protection of freedom to learn and to teach and the guarantee of equal educational opportunity for all. The educator accepts the responsibility to adhere to the highest ethical standards.

The educator recognizes the magnitude of the responsibility inherent in the teaching process. The desire for the respect and confidence of one's colleagues, of students, of parents, and of the members of the community provides the incentive to attain and maintain the highest possible degree of ethical conduct. The Code of Ethics of the Education Profession indicates the aspiration of all educators and provides standards by which to judge conduct.

Principle I. Commitment to the Student

The educator strives to help each student realize his/her potential as a worthy and effective member of society. The educator therefore works to stimulate the spirit of inquiry, the acquisition of knowledge and understanding, and the thoughtful formulation of worthy goals.

In fulfillment of the obligation to the student, the educator:

- 1. Shall not unreasonably restrain the student from independent action in the pursuit of learning
- 2. Shall not unreasonably deny the student access to varying points of view
- 3. Shall not deliberately suppress or distort subject matter relevant to the student's progress
- 4. Shall make reasonable effort to protect the student from conditions harmful to learning or to health and safety
- 5. Shall not intentionally expose the student to embarrassment or disparagement
- 6. Shall not on the basis of race, color, creed, gender, national origin, marital status, political or religious beliefs, family, social, or cultural background, or sexual orientation, unfairly:

- a. Exclude any student from participation in any program
- b. Deny benefits to any student
- c. Grant any advantage to any student
- 7. Shall not use professional relationships with students for private advantage
- 8. Shall not disclose information in the course of professional service unless disclosure serves a compelling professional purpose or is required by law

Principle II. Commitment to the Profession

The education profession is vested by the public with a trust and responsibility requiring the highest ideals of professional service.

In the belief that the quality of the services of the education profession directly influences the nation and its citizens, the educator shall exert every effort to raise professional standards, to promote a climate that encourages the exercise of professional judgment, to achieve conditions that attract persons worthy of the trust to careers in education, and to assist in preventing the practice of the profession by unqualified persons.

In fulfillment of the obligation of the profession, the educator:

- 1. Shall not in any application for a professional position deliberately make a false statement or fail to disclose a material fact related to competency and qualifications
- 2. Shall not misrepresent his/her professional qualifications
- 3. Shall not assist any entry into the profession of a person known to be unqualified in respect to character, education, or other relevant attribute
- 4. Shall not knowingly make a false statement concerning the qualifications of a candidate for a professional position
- 5. Shall not assist a non-educator in the unauthorized practice of teaching
- 6. Shall not disclose information about colleagues obtained in the course of professional service unless disclosure serves a compelling professional purpose or is required by law
- 7. Shall not knowingly make false or malicious statements about a colleague
- 8. Shall not accept any gratuity, gift, or favor that might impair or appear to influence professional decisions or action

Source: National Education Association, 1975

Date Exhibit Adopted:

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CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

School employees who are in daily contact with many phases of educational work should be persons whose conduct is beyond reproach and who sincerely believe in the advancement of education and the betterment of working conditions; therefore, the California School Employees' Association proposes this Code of Ethics as a standard for its members.

AS A SCHOOL EMPLOYEE I WILL:

Be proud of my vocation in order that I may use my best endeavors to elevate the standards of my position so that I may merit a reputation for high quality of service -- to the end that others may emulate my example.

Be a person of integrity, clean speech, desirable personal habits, and physical fitness.

Be just in my criticism and be generous in my praise; to improve and not destroy.

At all times be courteous in my relations with students, parents, teachers and others.

Be a resourceful person who readily adapts himself to different kinds of work and changed conditions and finds better ways to do things.

Conduct myself in a spirit of friendly helpfulness to my fellow employees to the end that I will consider no personal success legitimate or ethical which is secured by taking unfair advantage of another.

Associate myself with employees of other districts for the purpose of discussing school problems and cooperating in the improvement of public school conditions.

Always uphold my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, my school district and my community, and give them unswerving loyalty.

Always bear in mind that the purpose of CSEA is to promote the efficiency and raise the standards of all school employees and that I shall be equally obligated to assist all my fellow workers.

SOURCE: CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

Date Exhibit Adopted:

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

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CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERS

Standards:

- 1. Development and Implementation of a Shared Vision: Education leaders facilitate the development and implementation of a shared vision of learning and growth of all students.
 - a. Student-Centered Vision: Leaders shape a collective vision that uses multiple measures of data and focuses on equitable access, opportunities, and outcomes for all students.
 - b. Developing Shared Vision: Leaders engage others in a collaborative process to develop a vision of teaching and learning that is shared and supported by all stakeholders.
 - c. Vision Planning and Implementation: Leaders guide and monitor decisions, actions, and outcomes using the shared vision and goals.
- 2. Instructional Leadership: Education leaders shape a collaborative culture of teaching and learning informed by professional standards and focused on student and professional growth.
 - a. Professional Learning Culture: Leaders promote a culture in which staff engages in individual and collective professional learning that results in their continuous improvement and high performance.
 - b. Curriculum and Instruction: Leaders guide and support the implementation of standards-based curriculum, instruction, and assessments that address student expectations and outcomes.
 - c. Assessment and Accountability: Leaders develop and use assessment and accountability systems to monitor, improve, and extend educator practice, program outcomes, and student learning.
- 3. Management and Learning Environment: Education leaders manage the organization to cultivate a safe and productive learning and working environment.
 - a. Operations and Facilities: Leaders provide and oversee a functional, safe, and clean learning environment.

- b. Plans and Procedures: Leaders establish structures and employ policies and processes that support students to graduate ready for college and career.
- c. Climate: Leaders facilitate safe, fair, and respectful environments that meet the intellectual, linguistic, cultural, social-emotional, and physical needs of each learner.
- d. Fiscal and Human Resources: Leaders align fiscal and human resources and manage policies and contractual agreements that build a productive learning environment.
- 4. Family and Community Engagement: Education leaders collaborate with families and other stakeholders to address diverse student and community interests and mobilize community resources.
 - a. Parent and Family Engagement: Leaders meaningfully involve all parents and families, including underrepresented communities, in student learning and support programs.
 - b. Community Partnerships: Leaders establish community partnerships that promote and support students to meet performance and content expectations and graduate ready for college and career.
 - c. Community Resources and Services: Leaders leverage and integrate community resources and services to meet the varied needs of all students.
- 5. Ethics and Integrity: Education leaders make decisions, model, and behave in ways that demonstrate professionalism, ethics, integrity, justice, and equity and hold staff to the same standard.
 - a. Reflective Practice: Leaders act upon a personal code of ethics that requires continuous reflection and learning.
 - b. Ethical Decision-Making: Leaders guide and support personal and collective actions that use relevant evidence and available research to make fair and ethical decisions.
 - c. Ethical Action: Leaders recognize and use their professional influence with staff and the community to develop a climate of trust, mutual respect, and honest communication necessary to consistently make fair and equitable decisions on behalf of all students.
- 6. External Context and Policy: Education leaders influence political, social, economic, legal, and cultural contexts affecting education to improve education policies and practices.

- a. Understanding and Communicating Policy: Leaders actively structure and participate in opportunities that develop greater public understanding of the education policy environment.
- b. Professional Influence: Leaders use their understanding of social, cultural, economic, legal, and political contexts to shape policies that lead all students to graduate ready for college and career.
- c. Policy Engagement: Leaders engage with policymakers and stakeholders to collaborate on education policies focused on improving education for all students.

Date Exhibit Adopted:

An employee who has knowledge of but fails to report inappropriate employee conduct may also be subject to discipline.

The district prohibits retaliation against anyone who files a complaint against an employee or reports an employee's inappropriate conduct. Any employee who retaliates against any such complainant, reporter, or other participant in the district's complaint process shall be subject to discipline.

Notifications

The section(s) of the district's employee code of conduct addressing interactions with students shall be provided to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year and shall be posted on school and/or district websites.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination 44050 Employee code of conduct; interaction with students 44242.5 Reports and review of alleged misconduct 48980 Parental notifications PENAL CODE 11164-11174.4 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 80303 Reports of dismissal, resignation and other terminations for alleged misconduct 80331-80338 Rules of conduct for professional educators

Date Board Policy Adopted: (Replaced BP 4302)

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Board Policies Covering All Represented Classified Employees

Board Policy No. 4302: <u>RULES OF CONDUCT</u>

- A. Each employee is required to perform all listed duties and responsibilities contained in applicable Board Policies, the applicable job description and applicable law.
- B. Each employee shall follow all reasonable directives from the employee's immediate supervisor, the Superintendent or designee, and the Board. Each employee is required to follow all such directives unless they necessarily place the employee, another employee or a student in an unsafe or dangerous condition; or they necessarily require the violation of applicable law.
- C. Each employee shall adhere to relevant working conditions, the employee's assignment, including any rules or regulations regarding discipline, established by a collective bargaining agreement, the Board, the Superintendent or designee, or the employee's immediate supervisor.
- C. Each employee shall adhere to all applicable law, including the law covering the operations of the District, the educational program of the District, the rights of students, the rights of employees, and the rights of parents and the public.
- D. The District is an equal employment opportunity employer which complies with all applicable federal and state non-discrimination laws. The District does not tolerate the violation of such laws by any employee. The District also does not tolerate illegal sexual harassment or any other illegal harassment by an employee.
- E. The District is committed to all applicable laws concerning equal educational opportunity for all the students in the District. The District does not tolerate the violation of such laws by any employee.
- F. Each employee is prohibited from the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of alcohol or a controlled substance in any workplace or facility of the District.
- G. Each employee must notify the Superintendent in writing within five (5) days of any drug or alcohol statute conviction for a violation occurring in any workplace or facility of this District. A conviction includes any finding of guilt, including a no contest plea, or imposition of a sentence.
- H. No employee shall be under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance while the employee is acting within the scope of employment. The use of drugs under and consistent with the directions of a physician which does not unreasonably impair the performance of an employee is not prohibited. An employee may use prescribed drugs while acting within the scope of employment as long as such use is under and consistent with the directions of a physician and such use does not unreasonably impair the performance of the employee.

- I. Each employee shall report any unsafe condition or illegal activity to the Superintendent as soon as possible after discovering the unsafe condition or illegal activity. The District does not tolerate the observance of illegal activity without reporting it as soon as possible to a representative of the District.
- J. The District requires each employee to adhere to the Child Abuse And Neglect Reporting Act (Penal Code sections 11164-11174.3). Each employee who has knowledge of or observes a child in the employee's professional capacity or within the scope of employment when the employee knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse shall report the known or suspected instance of child abuse to a child protective agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone. Each employee then shall prepare and send a written report to the child protective agency within 36 hours of receiving the information concerning the incident.
- K. No employee shall inflict, or cause to be inflicted, corporal punishment upon a student. The term "corporal punishment" means the same as it is defined by Education Code section 49001. Each employee is required to adhere to Education Code sections 49000 and 49001 which prohibit corporal punishment.
- L. No employee shall release confidential information involving another employee or a student to a parent or any other member of the public unless expressly authorized by applicable law, the Superintendent or designee, or the Board. Each employee is required to adhere to all applicable laws protecting the privacy rights of employees and students.
- M. No employee shall smoke at any workplace or facility of the District. The District discourages all employees from smoking, and prohibits smoking wherever an employee is acting within the scope of employment.
- N. The Board delegates to the Superintendent the authority to adopt written regulations regarding the conduct of employees as long as they are not inconsistent with Policies adopted by the Board. Any such written regulations shall be adhered to as if they were adopted by the Board.

Legal Reference: Education Code sections 45101, 45109, 45133

Date Policy Adopted By The Board: September 25, 2001

TEMPORARY ATHLETIC TEAM COACHES

BP 4127/4227/4327

Personnel

The Governing Board desires to employ highly qualified coaches for the district's sports and interscholastic athletic programs in order to enhance the knowledge, skills, motivation, and safety of student athletes.

The Superintendent or designee may hire a certificated or non-certificated employee, other than a substitute employee, to supervise or instruct interscholastic athletic activities as a temporary employee in a limited assignment capacity.

When hiring a person to fill a position as a temporary athletic team coach, the position shall first be made available to qualified certificated teachers currently employed by the district.

All coaches shall be subject to Board policies, administrative regulations, and California Interscholastic Federation bylaws and codes of ethical conduct.

Non-certificated coaches shall have no authority to assign grades to students.

Qualifications and Training

The Superintendent or designee shall establish qualification criteria for all athletic coaches in accordance with law and district standards. These criteria shall ensure that coaches possess an appropriate level of competence, knowledge, and skill.

Any non-certificated employee or volunteer who works with students in a district-sponsored interscholastic athletic program shall, prior to beginning his/her duties, submit to the Superintendent or designee either an Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing or a Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal background clearance.

Following the selection of a temporary athletic team coach, the Superintendent or designee shall certify to the Board, at the next regular Board meeting or within 30 days, whichever is sooner, that the coach meets the qualifications and competencies required by 5 CCR 5593. By April 1 of each year, the Board shall certify to the State Board of Education that the provisions of 5 CCR 5593 have been met.

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board regarding the extent to which the district's coaches have completed the trainings required by law, including those required pursuant to Education Code 33479.6 and 49032, and by district policy.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35179-35179.7 Interscholastic athletics

33479-33479.9 The Eric Parades Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act

44010 Sex offense

44011 Controlled substance offense

44332-44332.5 Temporary certificates

44424 Conviction of a crime

44808 Liability when students are not on school property

44916 Written statement indicating employment status

44919 Classification of temporary employees

45125.01 Interagency agreements for criminal record information

45347 Instructional aides subject to requirements for classified staff

45349 Use of volunteers to supervise or instruct students

49024 Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate

49030-49034 Performance-enhancing substances

49406 Examination for tuberculosis

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities

5590-5596 Duties of temporary athletic team coaches

BARGAINING UNITS

BP 4140/4240/4340

Personnel

The Governing Board recognizes the right of district employees to form a bargaining unit, select an employee organization as their exclusive representative, and be represented by that organization in their employment relationship with the district. The Board is committed to negotiating in good faith with recognized employee organizations and respecting the rights of employees and employee organizations.

The district shall not dominate or interfere with the formation or administration of any employee organization or contribute financial or other support to it.

The district shall not deter or discourage employees from becoming or remaining members of an employee organization, impose or threaten to impose reprisals on employees, discriminate or threaten to discriminate against employees, or otherwise interfere with, restrain, or coerce employees because of their membership or nonmembership in an employee organization.

Formation of Bargaining Units

Certificated and classified employees shall not be included in the same bargaining unit.

Employees serving in management, senior management, or confidential positions shall not be represented by an exclusive representative. Such employees may represent themselves individually or may be represented by an employee organization whose membership is composed entirely of employees designated as holding those positions. When represented by an employee organization, that organization shall not meet and negotiate with the district. For this purpose:

- 1. Management employee means any employee who has significant responsibilities for formulating district policies or administering district programs, and whose position is designated as a management position by the Board.
- 2. Confidential employee means any employee who is required to develop or present management positions with respect to employer-employee relations or whose duties normally require access to confidential information that is used to contribute significantly to the development of management positions.

Access to Employee Orientations and Contact Information

The district shall permit employee organizations access to new employee orientations where newly hired employees are advised, whether in person, online, or through other means or mediums, of their employment status, rights, benefits, duties, responsibilities, or any other employment-related matters. The district shall provide employee organizations at least 10 days' notice in advance of an orientation. However, in any specific instance where an unforeseeable, urgent need critical to the district's operation prevents the required 10 days' notice, a shorter notice may be provided.

The structure, time, and manner of the access to new employee orientations shall be determined by mutual agreement of the district and the exclusive representative, following a request to negotiate by either party. If the district and exclusive representative fail to reach an agreement, matters related to the access to new employee orientation shall be subject to compulsory interest arbitration. The district and employee organization may mutually agree to submit any dispute to compulsory interest arbitration at any time. In addition, if any dispute arises during negotiations and is not resolved within 45 days after the first meeting or within 60 days after the initial request to negotiate, whichever is earlier, either party may make a demand for compulsory interest arbitration. When any such dispute arises during the summer when the district's administrative office is closed, the timeline shall commence on the first day the administrative office reopens. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide an exclusive representative with the name, job title, department, work location, telephone numbers (work, home, and personal cell phone), personal email address(es) on file with the district, and home address of any newly hired employee in the bargaining unit, within 30 days of hire or by the first pay period of the month following hire. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall provide the same information on all employees in the bargaining unit to an exclusive representative at least every 120 days, unless more frequent or detailed lists are required by agreement with the exclusive representative.

However, the Superintendent or designee shall not disclose the home address and any phone numbers on file for employees performing law enforcement-related functions, nor shall he/she disclose the home address, home or personal cell phone number(s), or personal email address(es) of any employee who is a participant in the Safe at Home address confidentiality program pursuant to Government Code 6207 or any employee who provides written request that the information not be disclosed for this purpose. Following receipt of a written request, the district shall remove the employee's home address, home and personal cell phone numbers, and personal email address from any mailing list maintained by the district unless the list is only used by the district to contact the employee.

Payment of Dues or Service Fee

Upon the written request of a recognized employee organization, the Superintendent or designee shall deduct the amount of organization dues or the fair share service fee, determined in accordance with Government Code 3546, from the wages and salary of each employee represented by that employee organization and shall pay that amount to the employee organization.

Any employee who is a member of a religious body whose traditional tenets or teachings include objections to joining or financially supporting employee organizations shall not be required to join, maintain membership in, or financially support any employee organization as a condition of employment. However, such an employee may be required to pay an amount equal to the service fee to a designated charitable fund.

Each employee organization shall, within 60 days after the end of its fiscal year, provide the Board and the employees who are members of the organization with a detailed financial report consisting of a balance sheet and an operating statement. If the employee organization fails to provide the financial report, the Board may issue an order compelling the organization to provide the financial report or any employee within the organization may petition the Board for such an order.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

45060-45061.5 Deduction of fees from salary or wage payment, certificated employees

45100.5 Senior management positions

45104.5 Abolishment of senior classified management positions

45108.5 Definition of senior classified management employees

45108.7 Waiver of provisions of 45108.5

45168 Deduction of fees from salary or wage payment, classified employees

45220-45320 Merit system, classified employees

GOVERNMENT CODE

3540-3549.3 Educational Employment Relations Act, especially:

3540.1 Definitions

3543.4 Management position; representation

3545 Appropriateness of unit; basis

3550-3552 Prohibition on public employers deterring or discouraging union membership

3555-3559 Public employee communication, information and orientation

6205-6210 Confidentiality of addresses for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking

6254.3 Disclosure of employee contact information to employee organization

6503.5 Joint powers agencies

53260-53264 Employment contracts

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

33015-33490 Recognition of exclusive representative; proceedings

33700-33710 Severance of established unit

34020 Petition to rescind organizational security arrangement

34055 Reinstatement of organizational security arrangement

COURT DECISIONS

Janus v. American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Council 31, (7th Cir. 2017) 851 F.3d 746, cert granted Sept. 28, 2017, No. 16-1466

Friedrichs v. California Teachers Association, et al., (2016) 136 S.Ct. 1083

County of Los Angeles v. Service Employees International Union, Local 721, (2013) 56 Cal. 4th 905

Abood v. Detroit Board of Education, (1977) 431 U.S. 209

LEAVES

BP 4161 4261 4361

Personnel

The Governing Board shall provide for paid and unpaid leaves of absence for employees in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation and collective bargaining agreements, as applicable.

The Board recognizes the following justifiable reasons for employee absence:

- 1. Personal illness or injury
- 2. Industrial accident or illness
- 3. Family care and medical leave
- 4. Military service
- 5. Personal necessity and personal emergencies
- 6. Disability leave for certificated employees in accordance with Education Code 44986
- 7. Vacations for classified staff and certificated management staff, as applicable
- 8. Sabbaticals for purposes of study or training related to the employee's job duties
- 9. Attendance at work-related meetings and staff development opportunities
- 10. Compulsory leave

Long-Term Leaves

With Board approval, an employee may receive a leave of absence, without pay and without accruing seniority or service credit, for a period of up to one school year. Applications for long-term leave shall be made in writing and shall state the purpose for which leave is requested. All long-term leave agreements shall be in writing and shall state the terms and conditions of the leave, including the conditions governing the employee's return.

At the end of a long-term leave, the employee shall be reinstated to a similar position as that held at the time leave was granted, unless otherwise agreed upon.

The Board shall consider any written request by an employee to return to work prior to the expiration date of the leave.

Administrative and Supervisory Personnel

Certificated administrative and supervisory employees who are not subject to the district's bargaining agreement for certificated employees shall generally be entitled to those leave provisions provided in the bargaining agreement for other certificated employees unless otherwise specified in individual contract, memorandums of understanding, Board policy, administrative regulation, or law.

Classified administrative and supervisory employees who are not subject to the district's bargaining agreement for classified employees shall generally be entitled to those leave provisions provided in the bargaining agreement for other classified employees unless otherwise specified in individual contract, memoranda of understanding, Board policy, administrative regulation, or law.

Legal Reference: **EDUCATION CODE** 22850-22856 Pension benefits, STRS members on military leave 44018 Compensation for employees on active military duty 44036-44037 Leaves of absence for judicial and official appearances 44043.5 Catastrophic leave 44800 Effect of active military service on status of employees 44842 Failure to provide notice or to report to work 44940 Sex offenses and narcotic offenses; compulsory leave of absence 44962-44988 Leaves of absence (certificated) 45059 Employee ordered to active military/naval duty, computation of salary 45190-45210 Leaves of absence (classified) FAMILY CODE 297-297.5 Registered domestic partner rights, protections and benefits **GOVERNMENT CODE** 3543.1 Release time for representatives of employee organizations 3543.2 Scope of representation 12945.1-12945.2 California Family Rights Act 20990-21013 Pension benefits, PERS members on military leave LABOR CODE 230-230.2 Leaves for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or specified felonies 230.3 Leave for emergency personnel 230.4 Leave for volunteer firefighters 230.8 Leave to visit child's school 233 Illness of child, parent, spouse or domestic partner MILITARY AND VETERANS CODE 395-395.9 Military leave 395.10 Leave when spouse on leave from military deployment

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29 2601-2654 Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 38 4301-4334 Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994

EVALUATION/SUPERVISION CLASSIFIED

BP 4215

Personnel

The Governing Board recognizes that appropriate supervision and regular, comprehensive evaluations can help employees to continually improve in the performance of their responsibilities. Evaluations shall be made in accordance with procedures specified in negotiated contracts and based on job-specific standards of performance.

The Board expects supervisors to gauge employees' on-the-job effectiveness and skills in a fair, objective, and consistent manner. Evaluations shall address the competence and care with which the employee executes his/her assigned responsibilities. As appropriate, evaluations also may address the extent to which the employee works cooperatively with others and observes school or district rules and regulations.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that evaluation ratings have uniform meaning throughout the district.

Evaluations shall be used to recognize the exemplary skills and accomplishments of staff and to identify areas needing improvement. When the evaluation indicates areas needing improvement, the Board expects employees to accept responsibility and take initiative to improve their performance. The Superintendent or designee shall assist employees in obtaining needed job skills.

The evaluation shall be dated and signed by both the employee and the supervisor.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that classified employees have access to rules and procedures related to performance evaluations.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 45113 Rules and regulations for the classified service in districts not incorporating the merit system 45261 Subjects of rules (merit system districts) 45262 Distribution of rules GOVERNMENT CODE 3543.2 Scope of representation

EVALUATION/SUPERVISION

BP 4315

Personnel

The Governing Board believes that regular, comprehensive evaluations designed to hold administrative and supervisory staff accountable for their performance are key to improving their instructional leadership and management skills. Evaluations shall be linked to the district's vision and goals and school improvement plans.

Evaluations shall be used to recognize the exemplary skills and accomplishments of administrative and supervisory employees, serve as a criterion for contract renewals, and identify areas needing improvement. When the evaluation indicates areas needing improvement, the Board expects employees to take the initiative to improve their performance and for their supervisors to assist them in obtaining needed job skills.

Administrative and supervisory employees shall be evaluated in accordance with provisions of employee contracts and/or applicable collective bargaining agreements as appropriate.

The Superintendent or designee shall make written evaluation procedures available to all administrative and supervisory employees.

An employee shall be evaluated annually for the first and second years of employment as an administrator or supervisor in the district, and at least every two years thereafter with the consent of the supervisor, unless otherwise provided for in an employee contract or collective bargaining agreement. Evaluations may occur between scheduled periods at the request of the employee, his/her supervisor, or the Superintendent or designee.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish clear, objective criteria for evaluation based on the job responsibilities of each administrative or supervisory position.

Evaluation criteria for certificated school site administrators may be based on the California Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (CPSEL) and also may include, but not be limited to, evidence of:

1. Academic growth of students, based on multiple measures which may include student work as well as student and school longitudinal data that demonstrate academic growth over time

Assessments used for this purpose shall be valid and reliable and used for the intended purposes and for the appropriate student populations. Local and state academic assessments may include, but are not limited to, state standardized assessments and formative, summative, benchmark, end-of-chapter, end-of-course, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, college entrance, and performance assessments.

- 2. Effective and comprehensive teacher evaluations, including, but not limited to, curricular and management leadership, ongoing professional development, teacher-principal teamwork, and professional learning communities
- 3. Culturally responsive instructional strategies to address and eliminate the achievement gap
- 4. The ability to analyze quality instructional strategies and provide effective feedback that leads to instructional improvement
- 5. High expectations for all students and leadership to ensure active student engagement and learning
- 6. Collaborative professional practices for improving instructional strategies
- 7. Effective school management, including personnel and resource management, organizational leadership, sound fiscal practices, a safe campus environment, and appropriate student behavior
- 8. Meaningful self-assessment to improve as a professional educator, which may include, but not be limited to, a self-assessment based on the CPSEL and the identification of areas of strengths and areas for professional growth to engage in activities to foster professional growth
- 9. Consistent and effective relationships with students, parents/guardians, teachers, staff, and other administrators

The evaluation shall be dated and signed by the employee and evaluator. The employee may respond in writing to the evaluation within a reasonable time after receiving a copy of the evaluation. The response shall be attached to the evaluation and placed in the employee's personnel file.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 35171 Availability of rules and regulations for evaluation of performance 44660-44665 Evaluation and assessment of performance of certificated employees 44670-44671 Principal evaluation 45113 Rules and regulations for the classified service in districts not incorporating the merit system GOVERNMENT CODE 3540.1 Meeting and negotiating in public educational employment, definitions 3543.2 Scope of representation

3545 Determination of bargaining units

Date Board Policy Adopted:

STUDENT WELLNESS

BP 5030

Students

The Governing Board recognizes the link between student health and learning and desires to provide a comprehensive program promoting healthy eating and physical activity for district students. The Superintendent or designee shall build a coordinated school health system that supports and reinforces health literacy through health education, health services, nutrition services, psychological and counseling services, health promotion for staff, a safe and healthy school environment, and parent/guardian and community involvement.

School Wellness Council

The Superintendent or designee shall encourage parents/guardians, students, food service employees, physical education teachers, school health professionals, Board members, school administrators, and members of the public to participate in the development, implementation, and periodic review and update of the district's student wellness policy.

Goals for Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Other Wellness Activities

The District shall adopt specific goals that include nutrition promotion and education, physical activity, and other school-based activities that promote student wellness. In developing such goals, the District shall review and consider evidence-based strategies and techniques.

The district's nutrition education and physical education programs shall be based on research, shall be consistent with the expectations established in the state's curriculum frameworks and content standards, and shall be designed to build the skills and knowledge that all students need to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

The nutrition education program may be provided as appropriate, and may be integrated into core academic subjects and included in before- and after-school programs.

All students shall be provided opportunities to be physically active on a regular basis. Opportunities for moderate to vigorous physical activity shall be provided through physical education and recess and may also be provided through school athletic programs, extracurricular programs, before- and after-school programs, summer learning programs, programs encouraging students to walk or bicycle to and from school, in-class physical activity breaks, and other structured and unstructured activities.

The Board may enter into a joint use agreement or memorandum of understanding to make district facilities or grounds available for recreational or sports activities outside the school day and/or to use community facilities to expand students' access to opportunity for physical activity.

Professional development may be regularly offered to the nutrition program director, managers, and staff, as well as health education teachers, physical education teachers, coaches, activity supervisors, and other staff as appropriate to enhance their knowledge and skills related to student health and wellness.

In order to ensure that students have access to comprehensive health services, the district may provide access to health services at or near district schools and/or may provide referrals to community resources.

The Board recognizes that a safe, positive school environment is also conducive to students' physical and mental health and thus prohibits bullying and harassment of all students, including bullying on the basis of weight or health condition.

The Superintendent or designee shall encourage staff to serve as positive role models for healthy eating and physical fitness. They shall promote work-site wellness programs and may provide opportunities for regular physical activity among employees.

Nutrition Guidelines for All Foods Available at School

For all foods and beverages available on each campus during the school day, the district shall adopt nutrition guidelines which are consistent with 42 USC 1758, 1766, 1773, and 1779 and federal regulations and which support the objectives of promoting student health and reducing childhood obesity.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide access to free, potable water in the food service area during meal times in accordance with Education Code 38086 and 42 USC 1758, and shall encourage students' consumption of water by educating them about the health benefits of water and by serving water in an appealing manner.

The Board believes that all foods and beverages sold to students at district schools, including those available outside the district's reimbursable food services program, should support the health curriculum and promote optimal health. Nutrition standards adopted by the district for foods and beverages provided through student stores, vending machines, or other venues shall meet or exceed state and federal nutrition standards.

The Superintendent or designee shall encourage school organizations to use healthy food items or non-food items for fundraising purposes. They also shall encourage school staff to avoid the use of non-nutritious foods as a reward for students' academic performance, accomplishments, or classroom behavior.

School staff shall encourage parents/guardians or other volunteers to support the district's nutrition education program by considering nutritional quality when selecting any snacks which they may donate for occasional class parties. Class parties or celebrations shall be held after the lunch period when possible.

To reinforce the district's nutrition education program, the Board prohibits the marketing and advertising of foods and beverages that do not meet nutrition standards for the sale of foods and beverages on campus during the school day.

Program Implementation and Evaluation

The Superintendent designates the individual(s) identified below as the individual(s) responsible for ensuring that each school site complies with the district's wellness policy.

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services (949) 497-7700 ext. 5212

The Superintendent or designee shall assess the implementation and effectiveness of this policy at least once every three years.

The assessment shall include the extent to which district schools are in compliance with this policy, the extent to which this policy compares to model wellness policies available from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and a description of the progress made in attaining the goals of the wellness policy.

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall prepare and maintain the proper documentation and records needed for the administrative review of the district's wellness policy conducted by the California Department of Education (CDE) every three years.

The assessment results of both the district and state evaluations shall be submitted to the Board for the purposes of evaluating policy and practice, recognizing accomplishments, and making policy adjustments as needed to focus district resources and efforts on actions that are most likely to make a positive impact on student health and achievement.

Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall inform the public about the content and implementation of the district's wellness policy and shall make the policy, and any updates to the policy, available the public on an annual basis. He/she shall also inform the public of the district's progress towards meeting the goals of the wellness policy, including the availability of the triennial district assessment.

Each school may post a summary of nutrition and physical activity laws and regulations prepared by the CDE.

Records

The Superintendent or designee shall retain records that document compliance with 7 CFR 210.30, including, but not limited to, the written student wellness policy, documentation of the triennial assessment of the wellness policy for each school site, and documentation

demonstrating compliance with the community involvement requirements, including requirements to make the policy and assessment results available to the public.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 33350-33354 CDE responsibilities re: physical education 38086 Free fresh drinking water 49430-49434 Pupil Nutrition, Health, and Achievement Act of 2001 49490-49494 School breakfast and lunch programs 49500-49505 School meals 49510-49520 Nutrition 49530-49536 Child Nutrition Act 49540-49546 Child care food program 49547-49548.3 Comprehensive nutrition services 49550-49562 Meals for needy students 49565-49565.8 California Fresh Start pilot program 49570 National School Lunch Act 51210 Course of study, grades 1-6 51210.1-51210.2 Physical education, grades 1-6 51210.4 Nutrition education 51220 Course of study, grades 7-12 51222 Physical education 51223 Physical education, elementary schools 51795-51798 School instructional gardens 51880-51921 Comprehensive health education **CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5** 15500-15501 Food sales by student organizations 15510 Mandatory meals for needy students 15530-15535 Nutrition education 15550-15565 School lunch and breakfast programs **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 1751-1769j National School Lunch Program, especially: 1758b Local wellness policy 1771-1793 Child Nutrition Act, especially: 1773 School Breakfast Program 1779 Rules and regulations, Child Nutrition Act **CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7** 210.1-210.33 National School Lunch Program, especially: 210.30 Wellness policy 220.1-220.22 National School Breakfast Program COURT DECISIONS Frazer v. Dixon Unified School District, (1993) 18 Cal.App.4th 781

Date Board Policy Adopted: February 25, 2014 Date Policy Revised:

OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUS

BP 5112.5 Students

The Governing Board establishes a closed campus at all district schools, however juniors and seniors who meet eligibility requirements may use lunch passes to leave campus during the lunch hour. The Board views this program as a way to improve and reward student academic achievement and attendance. Eligibility requirements are based upon academic performance and attendance standards. The open campus privilege may be revoked for juniors and seniors who do not meet the eligibility standards.

Students shall not leave the school grounds at any other time during the school day without written permission of their parents/guardians and school authorities. Students who leave school or who fail to return following lunch without authorization shall be classified truant and subject to disciplinary action.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 35160 Authority of the Board 35160.1 Broad authority of school district 44808.5 Permission for pupils to leave school grounds; notice

Date Board Policy Adopted: (Replaced BP 5040)

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Board Policy No. 5040: OFF CAMPUS LUNCH POLICY

- A. The District has a closed campus policy. This means that, except as specified in paragraph B below, all students in District schools must remain on campus during the entire school day unless excused by parents or guardians pursuant to the purposes and procedures specified in Board Policy 5007 (Absences and Excuses) and local school procedures. Students are not permitted to leave any school campus during or for the lunch period.
- B. Off-Campus Lunch Policy for Pupils Enrolled in Laguna Beach High School.
 - 1. Ninth and tenth grade students are not permitted to leave the campus during or for the lunch period.
 - 2. Pursuant to Education Code section 44808.5, the Board shall permit eleventh and twelfth grade students to leave campus during or for the lunch period only with the prior written permission of parents or guardians on a District form filed with the Principal. Absent such written permission, eleventh and twelfth grade students are not permitted to leave campus during or for the lunch period.
 - 3. Permission by the parents or guardians of eleventh or twelfth grade students for their student to leave campus for the lunch period will be granted pursuant to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The District does not provide off-campus supervision or security for students who leave campus during or for the lunch period.
 - b. Neither the District nor any officer or employee of the District is responsible or will be liable in any way for the conduct or safety of pupils or their property who leave campus during or for the lunch period.
- C. The Superintendent shall require that notice of this Policy be provided with the annual notices to parents pursuant to Education Code section 44980.

Legal References: Education Code sections 44807, 44808, 44808.5 and 44980

Date Policy Adopted By The Board: March 8, 2005

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BOUNDARIES

BP 5116 Students

The Governing Board shall establish school attendance boundaries in order to maximize the efficient use of district facilities and effective administration of district schools. The Superintendent or designee shall periodically review school attendance boundaries and, as necessary, make recommendations to the Board for boundary adjustments.

When reviewing school attendance boundaries, the Superintendent or designee shall consider the following factors:

- 1. School enrollment data, including declining enrollment patterns
- 2. Facility capacity and design, including potential commercial and residential developments
- 3. School feeder patterns, including maintaining, to the extent practicable, continuity of student attendance
- 4. Federal, state, or court mandates
- 5. Community input
- 6. Student safety
- 7. Transportation capacity
- 8. Community and neighborhood identity
- 9. Geographic features of the district, including traffic patterns
- 10. Educational programs, such as magnet schools and charter schools
- 11. Other factors

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 35160 Authority of governing boards 35160.1 Broad authority of school districts 35160.5 District policies; rules and regulations 35291 Rules 35350 Transportation of students 35351 Assignment of students to particular schools GOVERNMENT CODE 53311-53317.5 Establishment of community facilities district CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION Article I, Section 31 Discrimination based on race, sex, color, ethnicity COURT DECISIONS Crawford v. Huntington Beach Union High School District (2002) 98 Cal.App.4th 1275 Crawford v. Board of Education (1976) 17 Cal.3d 280 Jackson v. Pasadena City School District (1963) 59 Cal.2d 876

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LAGUNA BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy No. 6001: <u>SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT AND THEIR ATTENDANCE</u> BOUNDARIES

- A. The District serves the community of Laguna Beach and has one comprehensive high school, one middle school and two elementary schools:
- 1. Laguna Beach High School (grades 9 -12) serves the entire District.
- 2. Thurston Middle School (grades 6-8) serves the entire District.
- 3. El Morro Elementary School (K grade 5) serves attendance areas specified by the Board of Education.
- 4. Top Of The World Elementary School (K grade 5) serves attendance areas specified by the Board of Education.
- 5. Independent Study
- 6. Adult School
 - B. Information about the District and its schools may be found at the District's Website: http://www.lagunabeachschools.org/lbusd.htm
 - C. The Governing Board shall regularly review school attendance boundaries, taking into account school capacities and enrollment data, geographic features, student safety and transportation, racial and ethnic balance, educational programs and community input.

Date Policy Adopted by the Board: September 10, 2002 Date Policy Revised by the Board: October 25, 2005 Annually Reviewed as Required at Regular Meeting held July 10, 2007

INTRADISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT

BP 5116.1 Students

The Governing Board desires to provide enrollment options that meet the diverse needs and interests of district students and parents/guardians, while also maximizing the efficient use of district facilities. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the selection and transfer of students among district schools in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

The parents/guardians of any student who resides within district boundaries may apply to enroll their child in any district school, regardless of the location of their residence within the district.

The Board shall annually review this policy.

Enrollment Priorities

No student currently residing within a school's attendance area shall be displaced by another student transferring from outside the attendance area.

The Superintendent or designee shall grant priority to any district student to attend another district school, including a charter school, outside of his/her attendance area as follows:

- 1. Any student enrolled in a district school that has been identified on the state's Open Enrollment Act list
- 2. Any student enrolled in a district school designated by the California Department of Education as "persistently dangerous"
- 3. Any student who is a victim of a violent crime while on school grounds
- 4. Upon a finding that special circumstances exist that might be harmful or dangerous to the student in the current attendance area. Special circumstances include, but are not limited to, threats of bodily harm or threats to the emotional stability of the student. Any such student may transfer to a district school that is at capacity and otherwise closed to transfers. To grant priority under these circumstances, the Superintendent or designee must have received either:
 - a. A written statement from a representative of an appropriate state or local agency, including, but not necessarily limited to, a law enforcement official, social worker, or a properly licensed or registered professional such as a psychiatrist, psychologist, or marriage and family therapist

- b. A court order, including a temporary restraining order and injunction
- 5. Any sibling of a student already in attendance in that school
- 6. Any student whose parent/guardian is assigned to that school as his/her primary place of employment

Application and Selection Process

In order to ensure that priorities for enrollment in district schools are implemented in accordance with law, applications for intradistrict open enrollment shall be submitted between January 1 of the school year preceding the school year for which the transfer is requested and two weeks prior to the start of the school year for which the transfer is requested.

The Superintendent or designee shall calculate each school's capacity in a nonarbitrary manner using student enrollment and available space.

Except for priorities listed above, the Superintendent or designee shall use a random, unbiased selection process to determine who shall be admitted whenever the school receives admission requests that are in excess of the school's capacity.

Enrollment decisions shall not be based on a student's academic or athletic performance, except that existing entrance criteria for specialized schools or programs may be used provided that the criteria are uniformly applied to all applicants. Academic performance may be used to determine eligibility for, or placement in, programs for gifted and talented students.

Transportation

The district shall not be obligated to provide transportation for students who attend school outside their attendance area.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200 Prohibition against discrimination 35160.5 District policies; rules and regulations 35291 Rules 35351 Assignment of students to particular schools 46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance agreements 48200 Compulsory attendance 48204 Residency requirements for school attendance 48300-48316 Student attendance alternatives, school district of choice program 48350-48361 Open Enrollment Act 48980 Notice at beginning of term CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 11992-11994 Definition of persistently dangerous schools UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20 6311 State plans 7912 Transfers from persistently dangerous schools **COURT DECISIONS** Crawford v. Huntington Beach Union High School District, (2002) 98 Cal.App.4th 1275 ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS 85 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 95 (2002)

Date Board Policy Adopted: (Replaced BP 5036)

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LAGUNA BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy No. 5036

INTRA-DISTRICT ATTENDANCE

- A. This policy is pursuant to Education Code section 35160.5(b) and covers enrollment in the two elementary schools of the District:
 - 1. The District has an open enrollment policy regarding the two elementary schools subject to their capacities and the legal requirement that no student who currently resides in an attendance area shall be displaced by a student transferring from outside the attendance area.
 - 2. Each student shall be enrolled in the school of their attendance area, as established by the District, in which the student resides unless all of the following conditions are met:
 - The student's parent or guardian submits an official District application to the school of residence not later than June 1, and
 - There is sufficient capacity at the school in which enrollment is sought to accommodate the student (if there are more requests than capacity for a particular school, a lottery shall be conducted by the District on or about August 15 of each year; applicants already enrolled at the site shall make up the first round), and
 - No student who currently resides in the attendance area of the school in which enrollment is sought is displaced by students transferring from outside the school attendance area, and
 - The parent or guardian understands that the District does not provide transportation or transportation assistance for the student.
 - If a grade level reaches or exceeds capacity, students on Intra-District transfers may be returned to school of residence.
 - 3. The Board retains the right to determine the capacity of each school in the District and the attendance boundaries of each school in the District.
 - 4. The Board annually shall determine the appropriate number of vacancies for each elementary school that are available for intra-district student transfers. The Board retains the right to adjust such numbers at any time.
 - 5. The Superintendent or designee shall notify each applicant by mail of the granting or denial of the requested enrollment by September 1. The decision of the Superintendent or designee shall be final.
 - 6. Open enrollment decisions shall be based solely upon the above process and shall not include an evaluation of whether any student should be enrolled based upon academic or athletic performance.

7. At other times parents or legal guardians may petition a school for an intra-district transfer. Such a petition may be granted if both principals agree (current and desired schools), the transfer is in the best educational interests of the student, the receiving school is not over any attendance cap, any other students on any waiting list for transfers are not adversely affected, and the Superintendent or designee agrees.

Legal Reference: Education Code section 35160.5(b)

Date Policy Adopted By The Board: September 10, 2002 Date Policy Revised By The Board: January 24, 2006; May 28, 2013

RELEASE OF DIRECTORY INFORMATION

BP 5125.1 Students

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of maintaining the confidentiality of directory information and therefore authorizes the release of such information only in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee may release student directory information to representatives of the news media or nonprofit organizations in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee may limit or deny the release of specific categories of directory information to any public or private nonprofit organization based on his/her determination of the best interests of district students.

Colleges and prospective employers, including military recruiters, shall have access to directory information. Military recruiters shall have access to a student's name, address, and telephone number, unless the parent/guardian has specified that the information not be released in accordance with law and administrative regulation.

Under no circumstances shall directory information be disclosed to a private profit-making entity, except for representatives of the news media and prospective employers, in accordance with Board policy. Private schools and colleges may be given the names and addresses of 12th-grade students and students who are no longer enrolled provided that they use this information only for purposes directly related to the institution's academic or professional goals.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 49061 Definitions 49063 Notification of parents of their rights 49073 Release of directory information 49073.5 Directory information; military representatives; telephone numbers 49603 Public high schools; military recruiting UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 10 503 Military recruiter access to directory information UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20 1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act 7908 Armed forces recruiter access to students and student recruiting information UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42 11434a McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34 99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

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Board Policy No. 1002: RELEASE OF PUPIL DIRECTORY INFORMATION

- A. At the beginning of the first semester of the regular school year the District shall notify the parent or guardian of each pupil of the categories of directory information which the school plans to release and of the categories of individuals and entities to whom the directory information may be released. The notice shall be included in the written notice of rights and responsibilities that is sent to the parent or guardian of each pupil at the time of registration for the first semester of the regular school year. The notice may be sent by regular mail or by any other method the District normally uses to communicate with parents and guardians in writing. The notice shall be signed by the parent or guardian and returned to the school.
- B. The District may release the following categories of directory information regarding any pupil or former pupil of the District;
 - 1. Name;
 - 2. Address;
 - 3. Telephone Number;
 - 4. Date and Place of Birth;
 - 5. The Pupil's Participation in Officially Recognized Activities and Sports;
 - 6. Weight and Height of Members of Athletic Teams;
 - 7. Dates of Attendance;
 - 8. Degrees and Awards Received; and
 - 9. The Most Recent Public or Private School Attended by the Student.
- C. The directory information identified in paragraph B above may be released to the following categories of individuals and organizations.
 - 1. A nonprofit organization, club or association organized to promote youth and school activities, including but not limited to:
 - a) Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire, Inc.;
 - b) Parent-Teacher Associations;
 - c) School-Community Advisory Councils; and
 - d) Laguna Beach Education Foundation and its subsidiaries.
- D. Notwithstanding paragraph C, the District may, in its discretion, limit or deny the release of specific categories of directory information to any public or private nonprofit organization based upon a determination of the best interests of the pupils.
- E. The District shall not release the directory information identified in paragraph B to a private profit making entity other than as specified in subparagraph C1 above.
- F. No directory information shall be released regarding a pupil when the pupil's parent or guardian has notified the District that directory information shall not be released.

Legal Reference: Education Code sections 48981, 49061, 49063, 49073 Date Policy Adopted By The Board: January 25, 2000.

AWARDS FOR ACHIEVEMENT

BP 5126

Students

The Governing Board encourages excellence as a goal for all students and wishes to publicly recognize students for exemplary achievement in academic, athletic, extracurricular, or community service activities.

District/School Awards

Student awards may include verbal recognition, a letter, a certificate, a Board resolution, public ceremony, trophy, gift, plaque.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop criteria for the selection of student award recipients.

Golden State Seal Merit Diploma

At graduation from high school, special recognition shall be awarded to those students whose academic achievements in core curriculum areas have been outstanding.

The Superintendent or designee shall identify high school students who have demonstrated mastery of the high school curriculum qualifying them for the Golden State Seal Merit Diploma.

Biliteracy Award

The district shall present the State Seal of Biliteracy to each graduating high school student who has attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in one or more languages in addition to English.

In order to affirm the value of bilingualism and encourage students' enrollment in world language programs, the Superintendent or designee may present awards at appropriate grade levels to recognize the pursuit and/or attainment of grade-level proficiency in one or more languages in addition to English.

GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES

BP 5127

Students

High school graduation ceremonies shall be held to recognize those students who have earned a diploma by successfully completing the required LBUSD course of study, satisfying district standards, and passing any required assessments. The Governing Board believes that these students deserve the privilege of a public celebration that recognizes the significance of their achievement and encourages them to continue the pursuit of learning throughout their lives.

High school students who have passed the California High School Proficiency Examination or the General Educational Development Test must also meet district graduation requirements in order to participate in graduation ceremonies.

A foster youth, homeless student, or former juvenile court school student who transfers into the district any time after completing his/her second year of high school shall be required to complete all graduation requirements specified in Education Code 51225.3 but shall be exempt from any additional district-adopted graduation requirements, unless the Superintendent or designee makes a finding that the student is reasonably able to complete the requirements in time to graduate by the end of his/her fourth year of high school. Within 30 days of the transfer, any student shall be notified of the availability of the exemption and whether he/she qualifies for it.

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall facilitate the on-time graduation of children of military families by waiving specific course requirements for graduation if the student has satisfactorily completed similar coursework in another district.

Disciplinary Considerations

In order to encourage high standards of student conduct and behavior, the principal may deny a student the privilege of participating in graduation ceremonies and/or activities in accordance with school rules. Students denied any graduation related activities shall be notified two weeks prior to the graduation ceremony, unless the suspension offense occurs within the last two weeks of the end of school, with all appeals finalized prior to graduation day. Cases which occur that cannot proceed through the normal review and appeal process will be decided by the school principal and Superintendent or designee. Levels of a normal review would include the Site administrative discipline team followed by the Principal/Superintendent or designee.

Early Graduation

Students who desire to graduate at the end of their sixth or seventh term must submit a written request to graduate early to their principal or his/her designee. Students, who complete graduation requirements, meet State testing requirements in their sixth or seventh term, and meet minimum UC A-G requirements to graduate early are eligible to participate in all June graduation exercises and senior activities as determined by the site administration.

Students must declare in their written early graduation request whether they wish to be part of the June graduation exercises and receive their diploma at that time, or request to receive their diploma upon termination of enrollment. Statistical data from the school, including school, student name and address, grade point average, and future plans of all early graduates shall be sent to the Superintendent, or his/her designee, by mid-January each school year.

Invocations, prayers, or benedictions shall not be included in graduation ceremonies. The school or district shall not sponsor other ceremonies or programs for graduates that include prayer.

Honors and Awards

The Superintendent or designee shall identify other school-sponsored awards which may be given during graduation exercises. A separate awards program may be held to recognize graduating students receiving other school and non-school awards.

Conduct at Graduation Ceremonies

Any student participating in a graduation ceremony shall comply with district policies and regulations pertaining to student conduct.

The Superintendent or designee may require graduating students to wear ceremonial attire, such as cap and gown, at the ceremony.

However, any graduating student who has completed basic training and is an active member of any branch of the United States Armed Forces may, at his/her option, wear his/her military dress uniform at the ceremony.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 35183.3 Graduation ceremonies; military dress uniforms 38119 Lease of personal property; caps and gowns 48904 Liability of parent or guardian; withholding of grades, diplomas, transcripts 51225.5 Honorary diplomas; foreign exchange students 51410-51412 Diplomas COURT DECISIONS Cole v. Oroville Union High School District, (2000, 9th Cir.) 228 F.3d 1092 Santa Fe Independent School District v. Doe, (2000) 530 U.S. 290 Lee v. Weisman, (1992) 505 U.S. 577 Sands v. Morongo Unified School District, (1991) 53 Cal. 3d 863 Lemon v. Kurtzman, (1971) 403 U.S. 602

Date Board Policy Adopted:

READING/LANGUAGE ARTS INSTRUCTION

BP 6142.91

Instruction

The Governing Board recognizes that reading and other language arts constitute the basic foundation for learning in other areas of study. The Board desires to offer a comprehensive, balanced reading/language arts program that ensures all students have the skills necessary to read fluently and for meaning and develops students' appreciation for literature. The program shall integrate reading and oral and written language arts activities in order to build effective communication skills.

For each grade level, the Board shall adopt academic standards that meet or exceed California State Standards in the following strands:

- 1. Reading: Foundational skills, text complexity and analysis, and the growth of comprehension
- 2. Writing: Text types, responding to reading, production and distribution of writings, and research
- 3. Speaking and listening: Oral language development, comprehension, flexible communication, and collaboration
- 4. Language: Conventions, effective use, knowledge of language, and vocabulary

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's reading/language arts program offers sufficient access to standards-aligned textbooks and other instructional materials. The program shall provide instructional materials of varying levels of difficulty, including fiction and nonfiction works, so that students are continually reading at an appropriate level. In addition, technology should be available to support all areas of literacy.

Teachers are expected to use a variety of instructional strategies to accommodate the needs of beginning readers and the varying abilities of more advanced readers. The program shall provide ongoing diagnosis of students' skills and, as needed, may provide supplementary instruction during the school day and/or outside the regular school session to assist students who are experiencing difficulty learning to read.

The Superintendent or designee shall make available professional development opportunities that are designed to provide instructional staff with knowledge about how students develop language skills, the ability to analyze students' literacy levels, and mastery of a variety of instructional strategies and materials.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

41530-41532 Professional Development Block Grant

44735 Teaching as a Priority Block Grant

44755-44757.5 Teacher Reading Instruction Development Program, K-3

51210 Areas of study, grades 1-6

51220 Areas of study, grades 7-12

60119 Sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials

60200.4 Fundamental skills

60207 Curriculum frameworks

60350-60352 Core reading program instructional materials

60605 State-adopted content and performance standards in core curricular areas

60605.8 Common Core standards

99220-99221 California Reading Professional Development Institutes

99230-99242 Mathematics and Reading Professional Development Program (AB 466 trainings) CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

11980-11985 Mathematics and Reading Professional Development Program (AB 466 trainings)

11991-11991.2 Reading First achievement index

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6381-6381k Even Start Family Literacy Program

6383 Improving literacy through school libraries

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MATHEMATICS INSTRUCTION

BP 6142.92 Instruction

The Governing Board desires to offer a rigorous mathematics program that progressively develops the knowledge and skills students will need to succeed in college and career. The district's mathematics program shall be designed to teach mathematical concepts in the context of real-world situations and to help students gain a strong conceptual understanding, a high degree of procedural skill and fluency, and ability to apply mathematics to solve problems.

The California State Standards for mathematics are based on the three principles of (1) focus, placing strong emphasis on the concepts in the standards so that students have sufficient time to think about, practice, and integrate new ideas; (2) coherence, linking topics across grade levels and establishing connections with other topics; and (3) rigor, requiring that conceptual understanding, procedural skills and fluency, and applications be pursued with equal intensity.

For each grade level, the Board shall adopt academic standards for mathematics that meet or exceed the California State Standards. The Superintendent or designee shall develop or select curricula that are aligned with these standards and the state curriculum framework.

The district's mathematics program shall address the following standards for mathematical practices which are the basis for mathematics instruction and learning:

- 1. Overarching habits of mind of a productive mathematical thinker: Making sense of problems and persevere in solving them; attending to precision
- 2. Reasoning and explaining: Reasoning abstractly and quantitatively; constructing viable arguments and critiquing the reasoning of others
- 3. Modeling and using tools: Modeling with mathematics; using appropriate tools strategically
- 4. Seeing structure and generalizing: Looking for and making use of structure; looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning

In addition, the program shall be aligned with grade-level standards for mathematics content.

For grades K-8, content shall address, at appropriate grade levels, counting and cardinality, operations and algebraic thinking, number and operations in base ten, fractions, measurement and data, geometry, ratios and proportional relationships, functions, expression and equations, the number system, and statistics and probability. Students shall learn the concepts and skills that prepare them for the rigor of higher mathematics.

For higher mathematics, the district shall offer a pathway of courses through which students shall be taught concepts that address number and quantity, algebra, functions, modeling, geometry, and statistics and probability.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students are appropriately placed in mathematics courses and are not required to repeat a course that they have successfully completed in an earlier grade level. Placement decisions shall be based on consistent protocols and multiple academic measures.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that certificated staff have opportunities to participate in professional development activities designed to increase their knowledge and skills in effective mathematics teaching practices.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students have access to sufficient instructional materials, including manipulatives and technology, to support a balanced, standards-aligned mathematics program.

EDUCATION CODE 51210 Areas of study, grades 1-6 51220 Areas of study, grades 7-12 51224.5 Algebra in course of study for grades 7-12 51224.7 California Mathematics Placement Act of 2015 51225.3 High school graduation requirements 51284 Financial literacy 60605 State-adopted content and performance standards in core curricular areas 60605.8 Common Core standards

Date Board Policy Adopted:

Legal Reference:

SCIENCE INSTRUCTION

BP 6142.93

Instruction

The Governing Board believes that science education should focus on giving students an understanding of the biological and physical aspects of science, key scientific concepts, and methods of scientific inquiry and investigation. Students should become familiar with the natural world and the interrelationship of science, mathematics, technology, and engineering. As part of science instruction, students should learn how to apply scientific knowledge and reasoning.

Philosophical and religious theories that are based, at least in part, on faith and are not subject to scientific test and refutation shall not be discussed during science instruction.

The district's academic standards for science instruction shall meet or exceed the California Next Generation Science Standards (CA-NGSS). The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that curricula used in district schools are aligned with these standards and the state curriculum framework.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of study including science courses.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide certificated staff with opportunities to participate in professional development activities designed to enhance their knowledge of district-adopted academic standards, instructional strategies for teaching science, and changes in scientific theories.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement appropriate safety measures for science laboratory classes, including, but not limited to, staff and student safety training, use of eye safety devices, hearing protection, first aid procedures, regular equipment maintenance, safe use of heat sources, safe use and disposal of hazardous chemicals, proper ventilation, prevention of exposure to bloodborne pathogens from sharp instruments, fire prevention and control, an emergency response plan, and evacuation procedures. Parents/guardians shall be informed of the types of science laboratory activities that will be conducted and encouraged to sign consent forms for their child's participation.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 8774 Residential outdoor science program 32030-32034 Eye safety 32255-32255.6 Student's right to refrain from harmful or destructive use of animals 33475-33475.5 Model curriculum on stem cell science 49340-49341 Hazardous substances education 51210 Areas of study, grades 1 through 6 51210.3 Elementary science coach 51220 Areas of study, grades 7 through 12 51225.3 High school graduation 52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan 60640-60649 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress **CODE OF REGULATION, TITLE 5** 14030 Science laboratories, design specifications **CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8** 5191 Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories; chemical hygiene plan

Date Board Policy Adopted:

HISTORY-SOCIAL SCIENCE INSTRUCTION

BP 6142.94

Instruction

The Governing Board believes that the study of history and other social sciences is essential to prepare students to engage in responsible citizenship, comprehend complex global interrelationships, and understand the vital connections among the past, present, and future. The district's history-social science education program shall include, at appropriate grade levels, instruction in American and world history, geography, economics, political science, anthropology, psychology, and sociology.

The Board shall adopt academic standards for history-social science which meet or exceed state content standards and describe the knowledge and skills students are expected to possess at each grade level.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and submit to the Board for approval a comprehensive, sequential curriculum aligned with the district standards and consistent with the state's curriculum framework for history-social science. The curriculum shall be designed to develop students' core knowledge in history and social science and their skills in chronological and spatial thinking, research, and historical interpretation. History-social science instruction shall also include an explicit focus on developing students' literacy in reading, writing, speaking, listening, and other language skills.

The Board shall adopt standards-aligned instructional materials for history-social science in accordance with applicable law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. In addition, teachers are encouraged to supplement the curriculum by using biographies, original documents, diaries, letters, legends, speeches, other narrative artifacts, and literature from and about the period being studied.

Personal testimony from persons who can provide first-hand accounts of significant historical events is encouraged and may be provided through oral histories, videos, or other multimedia formats. If oral history is used for instruction related to the role of Americans in World War II or the Vietnam War, such testimony shall exemplify the personal sacrifice and courage of the wide range of ordinary citizens who were called upon to participate in the war, provide views and comments concerning reasons for participating in the war, and provide commentary on the aftermath of the war in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide a standards-based professional development program designed to increase teachers' knowledge of adopted instructional materials and instructional strategies for teaching history-social science.

Legal Reference:

- EDUCATION CODE
- 33540 History-social science curriculum framework
- 51008-51009 Instruction on farm labor movement
- 51204 Course of study designed for student's needs
- 51204.5 History of California; contributions of men, women, and ethnic groups
- 51210 Course of study, grades 1-6
- 51220 Course of study, grades 7-12
- 51220.2 Instruction in legal system; teen or peer court programs
- 51221 Social science course of study, inclusion of instruction in use of natural resources
- 51221.3-51221.4 Instruction on World War II and Vietnam War; use of oral histories
- 51225.3 High school graduation requirements
- 51226.3 Instruction on civil rights, genocide, slavery, Holocaust, and deportation to Mexico 51226.7 Ethnic studies
- 60040-60051 Criteria for instructional materials
- 60119 Public hearing on the sufficiency of instructional materials
- 60200-60206 Instructional materials, grades K-8
- 60400-60411 Instructional materials, grades 9-12
- 60640-60649 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress
- 99200-99206 Subject matter projects

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