

Board Policy

Business and Noninstructional Operations

BP 3513.3

Tobacco-Free Schools

The Governing Board recognizes the health hazards associated with smoking and the use of tobacco products, including the breathing of second-hand smoke, and desires to provide a healthy environment for students and staff.

(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

Note: Health and Safety Code 104420 mandates districts receiving Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) funds to adopt a tobacco-free campus policy that prohibits the use of tobacco anytime, anywhere in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property and in district vehicles. However, districts that do not receive TUPE funds may still choose the more stringent requirements in Option 1 if desired.

The Board prohibits the use of tobacco products at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property and in district vehicles. (Health and Safety Code 104420; Labor Code 6404.5; 20 USC 6083)

This prohibition applies to all employees, students and visitors at any instructional program, activity or athletic event.

***Note: The following paragraph applies to all districts. AB 1867 (Ch. 527, Statutes of 2003) amended Health and Safety Code 104495 to extend the prohibited smoking and disposal area to within 25 feet of a playground. ***

Smoking or use of any tobacco-related products and disposal of any tobacco-related waste are prohibited within 25 feet of any playground, except on a public sidewalk located within 25 feet of the playground. (Health and Safety Code 104495)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48900 Grounds for suspension/expulsion

48901 Prohibition against tobacco use by students

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

39002 Control of air pollution from nonvehicular sources

104350-104495 Tobacco use prevention, especially:

104495 Prohibition of smoking and tobacco waste on playgrounds

LABOR CODE

6404.5 Occupational safety and health: use of tobacco products

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6083 Nonsmoking policy for children's services

7111-7117 Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act

PERB RULINGS

Eureka Teachers Assn v. Eureka City School District (1992) PERB Order #955 (16 PERC 23168)

CSEA #506 and Associated Teachers of Metropolitan Riverside v. Riverside Unified School District (1989) PERB Order #750 (13 PERC 20147)

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

California Department of Health Services: <http://www.dhs.ca.gov>

Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board:

<http://www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/oshsb.html>

Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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