Policy IMPERIA

# IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California BP 1113(a)

# **Community Relations**

adopted:

# DISTRICT AND SCHOOL WEB SITES

To enhance communication with students, parents/guardians, staff, and community members, the Governing Board encourages the Superintendent or designee to develop and maintain District and school web sites. The use of District and school web sites shall support the District's vision and goals and shall be coordinated with other District communications strategies.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

# **Design Standards**

District and school web sites shall ensure the accessibility of District-sponsored web sites to individuals with disabilities, including compatibility with commonly used assistive technologies.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

#### **Guidelines for Content**

The Superintendent or designee shall develop content guidelines for District and school web sites and shall assign staff to review and approve content prior to posting.

Board policy pertaining to advertising in District and school publications, as specified in BP 1325 - Advertising and Promotion, also applies to advertising on District and school web sites.

(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)

# **Privacy Rights**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the privacy rights of students, parents/guardians, staff, Board members, and other individuals are protected on District and school web sites.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

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

(cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

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Telephone numbers and home and email addresses of students and/or their parents/guardians shall not be published on District or school web sites.

(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

Because of the wide accessibility of the Internet and potential risk to students, photographs of individual students shall not be published with their names or other personally identifiable information without the prior written consent of the student's parent/guardian.

Photographs of groups of students, such as at a school event, may be published provided that students' names are not included.

Staff members' home addresses or telephone numbers shall not be posted on District or school web sites.

The home address or telephone number of any elected or appointed official including, but not limited to, a Board member or public safety official, shall not be posted on District or school web sites without the prior written permission of that individual. (Government Code 3307.5, 6254.21, 6254.24)

No public safety official shall be required to consent to the posting on the Internet of his/her photograph or identity as a public safety officer for any purpose if that officer reasonably believes that the disclosure may result in a threat, harassment, intimidation, or harm to the officer or his/her family. (Government Code 3307.5)

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

# **DISTRICT AND SCHOOL WEB SITES** (continued)

Legal Reference	Legal	Reference:
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EDU	CATI	ON	CO	DE

35182.5 Contracts for advertising

35258 Internet access to school accountability report cards

48907 Exercise of free expression; rules and regulations

48950 Speech and other communication

49061 Definitions, directory information

49073 Release of directory information

60048 Commercial brand names, contracts or logos

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

3307.5 Publishing identity of public safety officers

6254.21 Publishing addresses and telephone numbers of officials

6254.24 Definition of public safety official

11135 Nondiscrimination; accessibility to state web sites

#### PENAL CODE

14029.5 Prohibition against publishing personal information of person in witness protection program

## UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 17

101-1101 Federal copyright law

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; accessibility to federal web sites

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 16

312.1-312.12 Children's Online Privacy

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Aaris v. Las Virgenes Unified School District, (1998) 64 Cal.App.4th 1112

#### Management Resources:

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PUBLICATIONS

Accessibility of State and Local Government Websites to People with Disabilities, June 2003

WORLD WIDE WEB CONSORTIUM PUBLICATIONS

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines, December 2008

WEB SITES

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education, Web Accessibility Standards:

http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/ws/webaccessstds.asp

California School Public Relations Association: http://www.calspra.org

U.S. Department of Justice, Americans with Disabilities Act: http://www.ada.gov

World Wide Web Consortium, Web Accessibility Initiative: http://www.w3.org/wai

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California AR 1113(a)

# DISTRICT AND SCHOOL WEB SITES

# **Guidelines for Content**

District and school web sites shall provide current information regarding District/school programs, activities, and operations. Such information shall be appropriate for both internal and external audiences and may include District mission and goals, District or school news, agendas and minutes of Governing Board meetings, School Accountability Report Cards, school calendars, and links to educational resources.

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(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 0510 - School Accountability Report Card)
(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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With approval of the principal, individual teachers may create web pages linked to the District or school web site to provide information pertaining to class assignments, expectations, and activities.

Student work may be published on District or school web sites provided that both the student and his/her parent/guardian provide written permission, or the work is part of an existing publication such as a school newspaper.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that copyright laws are not violated in the use of materials on District and school web sites. If any copyrighted material is posted, a notice shall be included crediting the original producer of the material and noting how and when permission to reprint the material was granted.

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(cf. 4132/4232/4332 - Publication or Creation of Materials) (cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)
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Whenever a District or school web site includes links to external web sites, it shall include a disclaimer that the District is not responsible for the content of external web sites.

# **Roles and Responsibilities**

Any employee assigned as a District or school webmaster shall be responsible for the uploading of material to the web site(s) upon approval of the Superintendent or designee. He/she shall ensure consistency of the material with District standards, accessibility to individuals with disabilities, regularly check links for accuracy and appropriateness, keep the web server free of outdated or unused files, and provide technical assistance as needed.

The Superintendent or designee may assign additional staff members to conduct an editorial review of all materials submitted for publication on District or school web sites and to make corrections as needed in spelling, grammar, or accuracy of content.

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The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff development opportunities related to District content guidelines, design standards, and accessibility laws and standards to District communications and technology staff, District and school webmasters, and/or other appropriate staff.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 4231 - Staff Development) (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

# **Security**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish security procedures for the District's computer network to prevent unauthorized access and changes to District and school web sites. To the extent possible, the host computer(s) shall be in a lockable room with restricted access.

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# DISTRICT-SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA

The purpose of any official District social media platform shall be to further the District's vision and mission, support student learning and staff professional development, and enhance communication with students, parents/guardians, staff, and community members. Administration or staff members must obtain prior written permission from the Superintendent before creating any social media platform associated with the District, its schools, classes, and/or student clubs. Thereafter, any such official District social media platform must be regularly monitored and maintained in compliance with law, Board policy, and regulation.

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)
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District staff are encouraged to use the District's official student information system rather than social media to communicate with parents and students regarding assignments, grades, and school incidents and events.

#### **Guidelines for Content**

Official District social media platforms shall be used only for their stated purposes and in a manner consistent with this policy and administrative regulation. By creating any official sites and allowing for public comment, the Board does not intend to create a limited public forum or otherwise guarantee an individual's right to free speech.

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(cf. 5145.2 - Freedom of Speech/Expression)
(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)
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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the limited purpose of the official District social media platforms is clearly communicated to users. Each site shall contain a statement that specifies the site's purposes along with a statement that users are expected to use the site only for those purposes. Each site shall also contain a statement that users are personally responsible for the content of their posts.

Official District social media platforms may not contain content that is obscene, libelous, or so incites students as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on school premises, violation of school rules, or substantial disruption of the school's orderly operation.

Staff or students who post prohibited content shall be subject to discipline in accordance with District policies and administrative regulations.

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(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
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(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 - Professional Standards) (cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action) (cf. 5144 - Discipline) (cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process) (cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)

Users of official District social media platforms should be aware of the public nature and accessibility of social media and that information posted may be considered a public record subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act. The Board expects users to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous, and professional manner.

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(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)
(cf. 9012 - Board Member Electronic Communications)
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# **Privacy**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the privacy rights of students, parents/guardians, staff, Board members, and other individuals are protected on official District social media platforms.

Board policy pertaining to the posting of student photographs and the privacy of telephone numbers, home addresses, and email addresses, as specified in BP 1113 - District and School Web Sites, shall also apply to official District social media platforms.

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(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)
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Social media and networking sites and other online platforms shall not be used by District employees to transmit confidential information about students, employees, or District operations.

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(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information) (cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights) (cf. 5125 - Student Records)
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Legal Reference: (see next page)

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 **DISTRICT-SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA** (continued)

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EDUCATION	' CODE
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32261 School safety, definitions of bullying and electronic act

35182.5 Contracts for advertising

48900 Grounds for suspension and expulsion

48907 Exercise of free expression; rules and regulations

48950 Speech and other communication

49061 Definitions, directory information

49073 Release of directory information

60048 Commercial brand names, contracts or logos

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

3307.5 Publishing identity of public safety officers

6250-6270 Public Records Act, especially:

6254.21 Publishing addresses and phone numbers of officials

6254.24 Definition of public safety official

54952.2 Brown Act, definition of meeting

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 17

101-1101 Federal copyright law

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

157 Employee rights to engage in concerted, protected activity

794 Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; accessibility to federal web sites

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Page v. Lexington County School District, (2008, 4th Cir.) 531 F.3d 275

Downs v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (2000) 228 F.3d 1003

Aaris v. Las Virgenes Unified School District, (1998) 64 Cal.App.4th 1112

Perry Education Association v. Perry Local Educators' Association, (1983) 460 U.S. 37

Board of Education, Island Trees Union Free School District, et.al. v. Pico, (1982) 457 U.S. 853

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD DECISIONS

18-CA-19081 Sears Holdings, December 4, 2009

# Management Resources:

**FACEBOOK PUBLICATIONS** 

Facebook for Educators Guide, 2011

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California School Public Relations Association: http://www.calspra.org

Facebook in Education: http://www.facebook.com/education Facebook for Educators: http://facebookforeducators.org

Facebook, privacy resources: http://www.facebook.com/fbprivacy

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# DISTRICT-SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA

# **Definitions**

*Social media* means any online platform for collaboration, interaction, and active participation, including, but not limited to, social networking sites such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn, or blogs.

Official District social media platform is a site authorized by the Superintendent or designee. Sites that have not been authorized by the Superintendent or designee but that contain content related to the District or comments on District operations, such as a site created by a parent-teacher organization, booster club, or other school-connected organization or a student's or employee's personal site, are not considered official District social media platforms.

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(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1260 - Educational Foundations)
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### **Authorization for Official District Social Media Platforms**

Teachers and coaches must obtain written approval from the Superintendent or designee before creating an official classroom or team social media platform.

### **Guidelines for Content**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that official District social media platforms provide current information regarding District programs, activities, and operations, consistent with the goals and purposes of this policy and regulation. Official District social media platforms shall contain content that is appropriate for all audiences.

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(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 0510 - School Accountability Report Card)
(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organization and Equal Access)
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Copyright laws shall not be violated in the use of material on official District social media platforms.

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(cf. 4132/4232/4332 - Publication or Creation of Materials) (cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)
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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that official District social media platforms are regularly monitored. Staff members responsible for monitoring content may remove posts

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based on viewpoint-neutral considerations, such as lack of relation to the site's purpose or violation of the District's policy, regulation, or content guidelines.

# **Appropriate Use by District Employees**

District employees who participate in official District social media platforms shall adhere to all applicable District policies and procedures, including, but not limited to, professional standards related to interactions with students.

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(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 - Professional Standards)
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When appropriate, employees using official District social media platforms shall identify themselves by name and District title and include a disclaimer stating that the views and opinions expressed in their post are theirs alone and do not necessarily represent those of the District or school.

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California BP 1160(a)

#### POLITICAL PROCESSES

The Governing Board has a responsibility to actively advocate fiscal and public policy that supports the District's schools and the children in the community. The Board shall be proactive in defining the District's advocacy agenda based on the District's vision and goals and the needs of the District and community. The Board's advocacy efforts shall be conducted in accordance with legal requirements.

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 4119.25/4219.25/4319.25 - Political Activities of Employees)
(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
(cf. 9010 - Public Statements)
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# **Ballot Measures/Candidates**

No District funds, services, supplies, or equipment shall be used to urge the support or defeat of any ballot measure or candidate, including any candidate for election to the Board. (Education Code 7054)

The Board may discuss and study the potential effect of proposed or qualified ballot measures on the District's schools at an open and agendized Board meeting. The Board's discussion of the effect of such measures shall include an opportunity for staff and members of the public to speak on all sides of the issue. At that meeting, the Board may adopt a position or resolution in support of or in opposition to a ballot measure. The language in any resolution adopted by the Board shall not urge the public to take any action regarding the measure.

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(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)
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The Board's position on a ballot measure, including any resolution, shall be publicized only through normal District procedures and consistent with regular District practice for reporting Board actions. Such publicity shall be for informational purposes and shall not attempt to influence voters.

The Superintendent or designee may use District resources to provide students, parents/guardians, and community members with fair and impartial information related to ballot measures, including information about the impact of ballot measures on the District. (Education Code 7054)

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(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
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In preparing or distributing such informational material, the Superintendent or designee shall analyze the material to help ensure that it is an appropriate informational activity, provides a fair analysis of the issues, and does not advocate passage or defeat of a measure or candidate.

# **POLITICAL PROCESSES** (continued)

District resources, including email or computer systems, shall not be used to disseminate campaign literature. In addition, District resources shall not be used to purchase advertisements, bumper stickers, posters, or similar promotional items that advocate an election result or urge voters to take any action in support of or in opposition to a measure.

(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)

Political activity related to District bond measures shall, in addition to the above, be subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Superintendent or designee may research, draft, and prepare a District bond measure or other initiative for the ballot, but shall not use District resources to influence voters or otherwise campaign for the measure.
- 2. Upon request, Board members and District administrators may appear at any time before a citizens' group to explain why the Board called for an election on a bond measure and to answer questions. (Education Code 7054.1)
  - If the presentation occurs during working hours, the employee representing the District shall not urge a citizens' group to vote for or against the bond measure.
- 3. The Board or any individual Board member may file a written argument for the ballot that is either for or against any school measure. (Elections Code 9501)

# Legislation

The Board's responsibility as an advocate for the District may include lobbying and outreach at the state, national, and local levels. The Board and Superintendent or designee shall work to establish and maintain ongoing relationships with elected officials, community leaders, and the media in order to communicate District positions and concerns.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)
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In order to strengthen legislative advocacy efforts, the District may work with organizations and coalitions and may join associations whose representatives lobby on behalf of their members in accordance with Government Code 53060.5.

The District may provide fair and impartial information about legislative issues affecting schools and children and shall inform the community about its advocacy activities. However, informational materials about legislation shall not urge the public to lobby the legislature, Governor, or state agencies on behalf of the District.

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# **POLITICAL PROCESSES** (continued)

As necessary, the Board may direct the Superintendent or designee to draft legislative or regulatory proposals which serve the District's interests.

# Legal Advocacy

The Board recognizes that some issues are more appropriately addressed judicially rather than legislatively. When a legal issue is likely to set a state or national precedent, the District may join with other Districts or parties in order to resolve the issue through litigation or other appropriate means.

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(cf. 9124 - Attorney)
(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)
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# **Political Forums**

Forums on political issues may be held in District facilities as long as the forum is made available to all sides of the issue on an equitable basis. (Education Code 7058)

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

# **POLITICAL PROCESSES** (continued)

# Legal Reference:

### EDUCATION CODE

7050-7058 Political activities of school officers and employees, including:

7054 Use of District property

7054.1 Requested appearance

7056 Soliciting or receiving political funds

35160 Authority of governing boards

35172 Promotional activities

#### **ELECTIONS CODE**

9501 School District elections, arguments for or against a measure

## **GOVERNMENT CODE**

8314 Unlawful use of state resources

53060.5 Attendance at legislative body; expenses

54953.5 Right to record proceedings

54953.6 Broadcasts of proceedings

81000-91015 Political Reform Act, including:

82031 Definition of independent expenditure

### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

18600-18640 Lobbyists

18901.1 Campaign related mailings sent at public expense

# **COURT DECISIONS**

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Yes on Measure A v. City of Lake Forest, (1997) 60 Cal.App.4th 620

<u>Choice-in-Education League et al v. Los Angeles Unified School District</u>, (1993) 17 Cal.App.4th 415 <u>League of Women Voters v. Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee</u>, (1988) 203 Cal.App.3d 529

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73 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 255 (1990)

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<u>Legal Guidelines: Use of Public Resources for Ballot Measures and Candidates</u>, Fact Sheet, February 2011

Legal Guidelines for Lobbying Activity, Fact Sheet, February 2011

**INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS** 

<u>Legal Issues Associated with Use of Public Resources and Ballot Measure Activities,</u> June 2010 WEB SITES

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

Fair Political Practices Commission: http://www.fppc.ca.gov

Institute for Local Government: http://www.ca-ilg.org

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Imperial, California BP 1220(a)

#### CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Board shall establish citizen advisory committees when required by law, to strengthen the effectiveness of District and school operations, or to enhance student learning. The purpose of any such committees shall be clearly defined and aligned to the District's vision, mission, and goals. The Board may dissolve any advisory committee not required by law when the committee has fulfilled its duties or at any time the Board deems it necessary.

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
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(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

(cf. 0430 - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)

(cf. 2230 - Representative and Deliberative Groups)

(cf. 3280 - Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)

(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)

(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)

The Superintendent or designee may establish advisory committees which shall report to him/her in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

Citizen advisory committees shall serve in an advisory capacity; they may make recommendations, but their actions shall not be binding on the Board or Superintendent.

The membership of citizen advisory committees should reflect the diversity of the community and represent a diversity of viewpoints.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training and information, as necessary, to enable committee members to understand the goals of the committee and to fulfill their role as committee members.

Within budget allocations, the Superintendent or designee may approve requests for committee travel and may reimburse committee members for expenses at the same rates and under the same conditions as those provided for District employees.

(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

# **CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES** (continued)

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EDU	ICA	TIC	N	CO	DE

8070 Career technical education advisory committee

11503 Parent involvement program

15278-15282 Citizens' oversight committee

15359.3 School facilities improvement Districts

17387-17391 Advisory committees for use of excess school facilities

35147 School site councils and advisory committees

44032 Travel expense payment

52060 Local control and accountability plan

52063 Local control and accountability plan; advisory committees

52176 Advisory committees, limited-English proficient students program

52852 Site council, school-based program coordination

54425 Advisory committees, compensatory education

54444.1-54444.2 Parent advisory councils, services to migrant children

56190-56194 Community advisory committee, special education

62002.5 Continuing parent advisory committees

64001 Single plan for student achievement

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

810.2 Tort claims act, definition employee

810.4 Tort claims act, definition employment

815.2 Injuries by employees within scope of employment

820.9 Members of local public boards not vicariously liable

6250-6270 California Public Records Act

54950-54963 Brown Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1758b Local wellness policy

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Frazer v. Dixon Unified School District, (1993) 18 Cal. App. 4th 781

#### Management Resources:

#### CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Maximizing School Board Leadership: Community Leadership, 1996

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California AR 1220(a)

# SCHOOL-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS

The Governing Board recognizes that parents/guardians and community members may wish to organize parent organizations and/or booster clubs for the purpose of supporting the District's educational and extracurricular programs. The Board appreciates the contributions made by such organizations toward the Board's vision for student learning and for providing all District students with high-quality educational opportunities.

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(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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Persons proposing to establish a school-connected organization shall submit a request to the Board for authorization to operate within the District or at a District school.

# Status as a Separate Entity

A school-connected organization, including a booster club, parent-teacher association or organization, or other organization that does not include an associated student body or other student organization, shall be established and maintained as a separate entity from the school or District. Each school-connected organization shall be subject to its own bylaws and operational procedures or to the rules or bylaws of its affiliated state or national organization, as applicable. Such organizations, clubs, and associations are independently responsible for identifying, preparing, filing, and maintaining any necessary documentation with the Secretary of State, Internal Revenue Service, and/or any other governmental agencies.

In addition, activities by school-connected organizations shall be conducted in accordance with law, Board policies, administrative regulations, and any rules of the sponsoring school.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
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The Superintendent or designee shall establish appropriate rules for the relationship between school-connected organizations and the District.

A school-connected organization shall obtain the written approval of the Superintendent or designee prior to soliciting funds upon the representation that the funds will be used wholly or in part for the benefit of a District school or the students at that school. (Education Code 51521)

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(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)
(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 3452 - Student Activity Funds)
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A school-connected organization may consult with the principal to determine school needs and priorities.

Any participation in fundraising activities by students and their parents/guardians and/or any donation of funds or property shall be voluntary. (Education Code 49011)

# SCHOOL-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS (continued)

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)

# Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

35160 Authority of governing boards

38130-38138 Civic Center Act, use of school property for public purposes

48931 Authorization for sale of food by student organization

48932 Authorization for fund-raising activities by student organization

49011 Student fees

49431-49431.7 Nutritional standards

51520 Prohibited solicitation on school premises

51521 Fund-raising project

# **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE**

17510-17510.95 Solicitations for charitable purposes

25608 Alcohol on school property; use in connection with instruction

### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

12580-12599.7 Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act

PENAL CODE

319-329 Lottery, raffle

#### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

15500 Food sales in elementary schools

15501 Food sales in high schools and junior high schools

15575-15578 Requirements for foods and beverages outside the federal meals program

# CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 11

300-312.1 Fundraising for charitable purposes

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1681-1688 Discrimination based on sex or blindness, Title IX

# CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

210.11 Competitive food services

220.12 Competitive food services

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Serrano v. Priest, (1976) 18 Cal. 3d 728

# Management Resources:

# FISCAL CRISIS AND MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE TEAM PUBLICATIONS

2015 ASB Accounting Manual, Fraud Prevention Guide and Desk Reference

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Office of the Attorney General, charitable trust registry: http://caag.state.ca.us/charities

California State PTA: http://www.capta.org

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team (FCMAT); http://www.fcmat.org

Policy adopted:
Community Relations

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California AR 1230(a)

# SCHOOL-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS

A school-connected organization's request for authorization to operate within the District or at a District school shall contain, as appropriate:

- 1. The name and purpose of the organization
- 2. The date of application
- 3. Bylaws, rules, and procedures under which the organization will operate, including procedures for maintaining the organization's finances, membership qualifications, if any, and an agreement that the group will not engage in unlawful discrimination
- 4. The names, addresses, and phone numbers of all officers
- 5. A list of specific objectives
- 6. An agreement to grant the District the right to audit the group's financial records, either by District personnel or a certified public accountant, whenever any concern is raised regarding the use of the funds
- 7. The name of the bank where the organization's account will be located and the names of those authorized to withdraw funds
- 8. The signature of the principal of the supporting school
- 9. Planned use for any money remaining at the end of the year if the organization is not continued or authorized to continue in the future
- 10. An agreement to provide evidence of liability and/or directors and officers insurance when and in the manner required by law

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

Requests for subsequent authorization shall be annually submitted to the Superintendent or designee, along with a financial statement showing all income and expenditures from fundraisers. If the Superintendent or designee proposes to deny the request for reauthorization, he/she shall present his/her recommendation to the Governing Board for approval.

When deemed necessary by the Board or the Superintendent or designee, the authorization for a school-connected organization to conduct activities in the District may be revoked at any time.

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 **SCHOOL-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS** (continued)

Each school-connected organization shall abide by the following rules:

- 1. The organization shall not act as an agent of the District or school.
- 2. The organization shall not use the District's tax-exempt status and identification number. It shall be responsible for its own tax status, accounting, internal controls, financial reporting, retention of records, and other operations.
- 3. The organization shall use a separate name and logo. Any use of a name or logo affiliated with the District, a District school, or a school team shall require the prior permission of the Superintendent or designee.
- 4. Funds of the school-connected organization shall not be co-mingled with District funds, including associated student body funds.
- 5. The organization shall not hire or directly pay any District employee. If a school-connected organization wishes to pay for additional and/or extracurricular services, the person to provide the services shall be hired through the District's personnel department, provided the Board approves the position. At their discretion, employees may volunteer to perform activities for school-connected organizations during nonworking hours.

(cf. 4127/4227/4327 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches)

Regulation approved: Community Relations

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Imperial, California BP 1240(a)

#### VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE

The Governing Board recognizes that volunteer assistance in schools can enrich the educational program, increase supervision of students, and contribute to school safety while strengthening the schools' relationships with the community. The Board encourages parents/guardians and other members of the community to share their time, knowledge, and abilities with students.

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(cf. 1000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
(cf. 4127/4227/4327 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches)
(cf. 4222 - Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals)
(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
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The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement a plan for recruiting, screening, and placing volunteers, including strategies for reaching underrepresented groups of parents/guardians and community members. He/she may also recruit community members to serve as mentors to students and/or make appropriate referrals to community organizations.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
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The Board prohibits harassment of any volunteer on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status. (Government Code 12940)

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
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As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall provide volunteers with information about school goals, programs, and practices and an orientation or other training related to their specific responsibilities. Employees who supervise volunteers shall ensure that volunteers are assigned meaningful responsibilities that utilize their skills and expertise and maximize their contribution to the educational program.

Volunteer work shall be limited to those projects that do not replace the normal duties of classified staff. The Board nevertheless encourages volunteers to work on short-term projects to the extent that they enhance the classroom or school and comply with employee negotiated agreements.

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(cf. 4141/4241 - Collective Bargaining Agreement)
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The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether volunteers possess the qualifications, if any, required by law and administrative regulation for the types of duties they will perform.

# **VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE** (continued)

Volunteers shall act in accordance with District policies, regulations, and school rules. The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for investigating and resolving complaints regarding volunteers.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

# **VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE** (continued)

Legal	Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

8482-8484.6 After School Education and Safety program

8484.7-8484.9 21st Century Community Learning Center program

35021 Volunteer aides

35021.1 Automated records check

35021.3 Registry of volunteers for before/after school programs

44010 Sex offense; definition

44814-44815 Supervision of students during lunch and other nutrition periods

45125 Fingerprinting requirements

45125.01 Interagency agreements for criminal record information

45340-45349 Instructional aides

45360-45367 Teacher aides

48981 Parental notifications

49024 Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate

49406 Examination for tuberculosis

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

3543.5 Prohibited interference with employees' rights

12940 Prohibited discrimination and harassment

# HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

1596.871 Fingerprints of individuals in contact with child day care facility clients

# LABOR CODE

1720.4 Public works; exclusion of volunteers from prevailing wage law

3352 Workers' compensation; definitions

3364.5 Authority to provide workers' compensation insurance for volunteers

# PENAL CODE

290 Registration of sex offenders

290.4 Information re: sex offenders

290.95 Disclosure by person required to register as sex offender

626.81 Sex offender; permission to volunteer at school

# CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

101170 Criminal record clearance

101216 Health screening, volunteers in child care centers

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD DECISIONS

Whisman Elementary School District, (1991) PERB Decision No. 868

# Management Resources:

# **WEB SITES**

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education, Parents/Family and Community: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf

California Department of Justice, Megan's Law: http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov

California Parent Teacher Association: http://www.capta.org

Commission on Teacher Credentialing: http://www.ctc.ca.gov

Policy adopted:

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California AR 1240

#### VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE

Unsalaried volunteers shall be considered employees of the District for workers' compensation insurance purposes. If injured while serving as volunteers in the District, they should file workers' compensation insurance forms provided by the District office.

Volunteers shall work with students under the immediate supervision of certificated employees. (Education Code 35021)

Volunteers shall not be used to displace regularly authorized school personnel. (Education Code 35021)

Volunteers serving as instructional aides shall:

- 1. Fulfill the tuberculosis testing and fingerprinting qualifications required of all instructional aides. (Education Code 45125, 45347, 45349, 49406)
- 2. Give evidence of basic skills proficiency as required of all instructional aides. (Education Code 45344.5)

(cf: 4212 - Appointment and Conditions of Employment)

(cf: 4222 - Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals)

All persons who wish to perform more than 15 hours of volunteer service per week with or around students shall submit evidence that they are free from active tuberculosis and have been fingerprinted for criminal record clearance.

This policy does not apply to activities sponsored by school-connected organizations.

(cf: 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)

Regulation

adopted: March 28, 1991

revised:

**Community Relations** 

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California

BP 1250(a)

#### VISITORS/OUTSIDERS

The Governing Board believes that it is important for parents/guardians and community members to take an active interest in the issues affecting District schools and students. Therefore, the Board encourages interested parents/guardians and community members to visit the schools and participate in the educational program.

To ensure the safety of students and staff and minimize interruption of the instructional program, visits during school hours must be arranged in advance with the principal or designee. When a visit involves a conference with a teacher or the principal, an appointment shall be scheduled during noninstructional time.

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(cf. 6116 - Classroom Interruptions)
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Any person who is not a student or staff member shall register immediately upon entering any school building or grounds when school is in session.

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(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
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The principal or designee may provide a visible means of identification for all individuals who are not students or staff members while on school premises.

No electronic listening or recording device may be used by any person in a classroom without the teacher's and principal's permission. (Education Code 51512)

The Board encourages all individuals to assist in maintaining a safe and secure school environment by behaving in an orderly manner while on school grounds and by utilizing the District's complaint processes if they have concerns with any District program or employee. In accordance with Penal Code 626.7, the principal or designee may request that any individual who is causing a disruption, including exhibiting volatile, hostile, aggressive, or offensive behavior, immediately leave school grounds.

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(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)
(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
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# **Presence of Sex Offender on Campus**

Any person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290, including a parent/guardian of a District student, shall request written permission from the principal before entering the school campus or grounds. As necessary, the principal shall consult with local law enforcement authorities before allowing the presence of any such person at school or other school activity. The principal also shall report to the Superintendent or designee anytime he/she gives such written permission.

BP 1250(b)

# VISITORS/OUTSIDERS (continued)

The principal shall indicate on the written permission the date(s) and times for which permission has been granted. (Penal Code 626.81)

# Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

- 32210 Willful disturbance of public school or meeting
- 32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; misdemeanor
- 32212 Classroom interruptions
- 35160 Authority of governing boards
- 35292 Visits to schools (board members)
- 49091.10 Parental right to inspect instructional materials and observe school activities
- 51101 Parent Rights Act of 2002
- 51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device

### EVIDENCE CODE

1070 Refusal to disclose news source

# LABOR CODE

230.8 Discharge or discrimination for taking time off to participate in child's educational activities

# PENAL CODE

290 Sex offenders

626-626.10 Schools

626.81 Misdemeanor for registered sex offender to come onto school grounds

627-627.10 Access to school premises, especially:

627.1 Definitions

627.2 Necessity of registration by outsider

627.7 Misdemeanors; punishment

## **COURT DECISIONS**

Reeves v. Rocklin Unified School District, (2003) 109 Cal. App. 4th 652

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

95 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 509 (1996)

Policy adopted: Community Relations

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California AR 1250(a)

#### VISITORS/OUTSIDERS

The Superintendent or designee shall post at every entrance to each school and school grounds a notice describing registration requirements, school hours or hours during which registration is required, the registration location, the route to take to that location, and the penalties for violation of registration requirements. (Education Code 32211; Penal Code 627.6)

Unless otherwise directed by the principal or designee, a staff member shall accompany visitors/outsiders while they are on school grounds.

# **Outsider Registration**

Outsiders shall register upon entering school premises during school hours. Any person other than the following is considered an outsider: (Evidence Code 1070; Penal Code 627.1, 627.2)

- 1. A student of the school, unless currently under suspension
- 2. A parent/guardian of a student of the school
- 3. A Governing Board member or District employee
- 4. A public employee whose employment requires being on school grounds, or any person who is on school grounds at the school's request
- 5. A representative of a school employee organization who is engaged in activities related to the representation of school employees
- 6. An elected public official
- 7. A publisher, editor, reporter, or other person connected with or employed by a newspaper, magazine, other periodical publication, press association or wire service, radio station, or television station

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

# **Registration Procedure**

In order to register, an outsider shall, upon request, furnish the principal or designee with the following information: (Penal Code 627.3)

- 1. His/her name, address, and occupation
- 2. His/her age, if less than 21

# VISITORS/OUTSIDERS (continued)

- 3. His/her purpose for entering school grounds
- 4. Proof of identity
- 5. Other information consistent with the provisions of law

# **Principal's Registration Authority**

The principal or designee may refuse to register any outsider if he/she reasonably concludes that the individual's presence or acts would disrupt the school, students, or employees; would result in damage to property; or would result in the distribution or use of a controlled substance. The principal or designee or school security officer may revoke any outsider's registration if he/she has a reasonable basis for concluding that the individual's presence on school grounds would interfere or is interfering with the peaceful conduct of school activities or would disrupt or is disrupting the school, students, or staff. (Penal Code 627.4)

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(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
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When an outsider fails to register, or when the principal or designee denies or revokes an outsider's registration privileges, the principal or designee may request that the individual promptly leave school grounds. When an outsider is directed to leave, the principal or designee shall inform him/her that if he/she reenters the school within seven days he/she may be guilty of a misdemeanor subject to a fine and/or imprisonment. (Penal Code 627.7)

# **Appeal Procedure**

Any person who is denied registration or whose registration is revoked may appeal to the Superintendent or principal by submitting, within five days after the person's departure from school, a written request for a hearing. This request must state why he/she believes the denial or revocation was improper and must provide an address to which the hearing notice may be sent. Upon receipt of the request for a hearing, the Superintendent or principal shall promptly mail a notice of the hearing to the person requesting it. A hearing before the Superintendent or principal shall be held within seven days after receipt of the request. (Penal Code 627.5)

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(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees) (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Imperial, California BP 1260(a)

#### **EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of community support of District programs, including voluntary financial contributions, to assist the District in achieving its goals for student learning.

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(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
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The Board desires to work cooperatively with the educational foundation in determining the purposes for which funds may be used to meet the changing needs of the District and its students. The Board recognizes that an educational foundation is a separate legal entity, independent of the District. However, the foundation is encouraged to provide regular reports to the Board on the status of its work and to communicate ways that the District can help support the foundation's activities.

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(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
(cf. 9140 - Board Representatives)
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With the permission of the Superintendent or designee, the educational foundation, as appropriate, may use the District's name, a school's name, a school team's name, or any logo attributable to a school or the District.

The Board supports foundation allocations that serve all District schools equitably.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 **EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION** (continued)

# Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

38130-38138 Civic Center Act, use of school property for public purposes

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

12580-12599.7 Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act

17510-17510.95 Solicitations for charitable purposes

25608 Alcohol on school property; use in connection with instruction

PENAL CODE

 $\overline{319}$ -329 Lottery, raffle

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 11

300-312.1 Fundraising for charitable purposes

**COURT DECISIONS** 

Serrano v. Priest, (1976) 18 Cal. 3d 728

# Management Resources:

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Consortium of Education Foundations: http://www.cceflink.org

California Office of the Attorney General, charitable trust registry: http://caag.state.ca.us/charities

Policy adopted: Community Relations

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California BP 1312

# COMPLAINTS CONCERNING THE SCHOOLS

The Governing Board believes that the quality of the educational program can improve when the District listens to complaints, considers differences of opinion, and resolves disagreements through an established, objective process.

The Board encourages complainants to resolve problems early and informally whenever possible. If a problem remains unresolved, the individual should submit a formal complaint as early as possible in accordance with appropriate District procedures. District procedures are be readily accessible to the public.

Individual Board members do not have authority to resolve complaints. If approached directly with a complaint; however, Board members should listen to the complaint and show their concern by referring the complainant to the Superintendent or designee so that the problem may receive proper consideration.

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning School Personnel) (cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)

(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materia (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)

# Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 35146 Closed sessions

35160.5 Requirement of school district policies: parental complaints re. employees

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

950-950.8 Actions against public employees

54957-54957.8 Closed sessions

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TIRE 5

3080 Application of section 4600-4671

4600-4671 - Uniform complaint procedures

Policy IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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revised:

Community Relations BP 1312.1(a)

# COMPLAINTS CONCERNING DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

The Governing Board accepts responsibility for providing a means by which the public can hold employees accountable for their actions. The Board desires that complaints be resolved expeditiously without disrupting the educational process.

The Superintendent or designee has developed regulations which permit the public to submit complaints against District employees in an appropriate and fair manner. The Board may serve as an appeals body if the complaint is not resolved.

(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

The Board prohibits retaliation against complainants. The Superintendent or designee at his/her discretion may keep a complainant's identity confidential, except to the extent necessary to investigate the complaint. The District will not investigate anonymous complaints unless it so desires.

# Legal Reference

## EDUCATION CODE

33308.1 Guidelines on procedure for tiling child abuse complaints

35146 Closed Sessions

44031 Personnel file contents and inspection

44811 Disruption of public school activities

44932-44949 Resignation, dismissal and leaves of absence (rights of employee; procedures to follow)

48987 Child abuse guidelines

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

54957 Closed session; complaints to employees

54957.6 Closed session; salaries or fringe benefits

# PENAL CODE

273 Cruelty or unjustifiable punishment of child

11166-11174.3 Reporting known or suspected cases of child abuse

## WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

300 Minors subject to jurisdiction of juvenile court

# Management Resources:

# CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

910.93 Guidelines for parents to report suspected child abuse by school district employees or other persons against a pupil at school site (LO:4-93)

Policy IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

adopted: April 13, 2000 Imperial, California

revised:

Community Relations AR 1312.1(a)

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a complaint should be considered a complaint against the District and/or an individual employee, and whether it should be resolved by the District's process for complaints concerning personnel and/or other District procedures.

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(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)
(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 4144/4244/4344 - Complaints)
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To promote prompt and fair resolution of the complaint, the following procedures shall govern the resolution of complaints against District employees:

- 1. Every effort should be made to resolve a complaint at the earliest possible stage. Whenever possible, the complainant should communicate directly to the employee in order to resolve concerns.
- 2. If a complainant is unable or unwilling to resolve the complaint directly with the employee, he/she may submit an oral or written complaint to the employee's immediate supervisor or the principal.
- 3. All complaints related to District personnel other than administrators should be submitted in writing to the principal or immediate supervisor. If the complainant is unable to prepare the complaint in writing, administrative staff shall help him/her to do so. Complaints related to a principal or central office administrator shall be initially filed in writing with the Superintendent or designee. Complaints related to the Superintendent shall be initially filed in writing with the Board.
- 4. When a written complaint is received, the employee should be notified in accordance with collective bargaining agreements.
- 5. A written complaint should include:
  - a. The full name of each employee involved
  - b. A brief but specific summary of the complaint and the facts surrounding it
  - c. A specific description of any prior attempt to discuss the complaint with the employee and the failure to resolve the matter
- 6. Those responsible for investigating complaints should attempt to resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of the parties involved within 30 days.
- 7. Both the complainant and the employee against whom the complaint was made may appeal a decision by the principal or immediate supervisor to the Superintendent or

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designee, who should attempt to resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of the person involved within 30 days. Parties should consider and accept the Superintendent or designee's decision as final. However, the complainant, the employee, or the Superintendent or designee may ask to address the Board regarding the complaint.

- 8. Before any Board consideration of a complaint, the Superintendent or designee should submit to the Board a written report concerning the complaint, including but not limited to:
  - a. The full name of each employee involved
  - b. A brief but specific summary of the complaint and the facts surrounding it, sufficient to inform the Board and the parties as to the precise nature of the complaint and to allow the parties to prepare a response
  - c. A copy of the signed original complaint
  - d. A summary of the action taken by the Superintendent or designee, together with his/her specific finding that the problem has not been resolved and the reasons
- 9. The Board may uphold the Superintendent's decision without hearing the complaint.
- 10. All parties to a complaint may be asked to attend a Board meeting in order to clarify the issue and present all available evidence.
- 11. A closed session may be held to hear the complaint in accordance with law.

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(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)
(cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)
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12. The decision of the Board shall be final.

Any complaint of child abuse or neglect alleged against a District employee shall be reported to the appropriate local agencies in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

Regulation approved: Community Relations

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California BP 1312.2(a)

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The Governing Board uses a comprehensive process to adopt District instructional materials that is based on selection criteria established by law and Board policy and includes opportunities for the involvement of parents/guardians and community members. Complaints concerning the content or use of instructional materials, including textbooks, supplementary instructional materials, library materials, or other instructional materials and equipment, shall be properly and fairly considered using established complaint procedures.

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(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials) (cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials) (cf. 6163.1 - Library Media Centers)
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Parents/guardians are encouraged to discuss any concerns regarding instructional materials with their child's teacher and/or the school principal. If the situation remains unresolved, a complaint may be filed using the process specified in the administrative regulation.

The District shall accept complaints concerning instructional materials only from staff, District residents, or the parents/guardians of children enrolled in a District school.

When deliberating upon challenged materials, the Superintendent and/or review committee shall consider the educational philosophy of the District, the professional opinions of teachers of the subject and of other competent authorities, reviews of the materials by reputable bodies, the teacher's stated objectives in using the materials, community standards, and the objections of the complainant.

Complainants are encouraged to accept the Superintendent's or review committee's decision. However, if the complainant finds that decision unsatisfactory, he/she may appeal the decision to the Board.

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(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)
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The District's decision shall be based on educational suitability of the materials and the criteria established in Board policy and administrative regulation.

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(cf. 6144 - Controversial Issues)
(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
(cf. 9005 - Governance Standards)
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When any challenged instructional material is reviewed by the District, it shall not be subject to further reconsideration for 12 months, unless the Superintendent determines that reconsideration is warranted.

Complaints related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials shall be resolved pursuant to the District's Williams uniform complaint procedure at AR 1312.4.

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(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees) (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
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# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS (continued)

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

# Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

18111 Exclusion of books by governing board

35010 Control of District; prescription and enforcement of rules

35186 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

44805 Enforcement of course of studies; use of textbooks, rules and regulations

51501 Subject matter reflecting on race, color, etc.

60000-60005 Instructional materials, legislative intent

60040-60048 Instructional requirements and materials

60119 Public hearing on sufficiency of materials

60200-60206 Elementary school materials

60226 Requirements for publishers and manufacturers

60400-60411 High school textbooks

60510-60511 Donation of sale of obsolete instructional materials

### Management Resources:

#### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROGRAM ADVISORIES

1002.90 Selection of Instructional Materials, CIL: 90/91-02

# CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Standards for Evaluation of Instructional Materials with Respect to Social Content, 1986 edition, revised 2001

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education, Curriculum and Instruction: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California AR 1312.2(a)

### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

### **Step 1: Informal Complaint**

If a staff member, District resident, or parent/guardian of a student enrolled in a District school has a complaint regarding the content or use of any specific instructional material, he/she shall informally discuss the material in question with the principal.

### **Step 2: Formal Complaint**

If the complainant is not satisfied with the principal's initial response, he/she shall present a written complaint to the principal. Complaints regarding printed material shall name the author, title, and publisher and shall identify the objection by page and item numbers. In the case of nonprinted material, written information specifying the precise nature of the objection shall be given. Complainants shall sign all complaints and provide identifying information so that the District is able to make a proper reply. Anonymous complaints will not be accepted.

Upon receiving a complaint, the principal shall acknowledge its receipt and answer any questions regarding procedure. The principal then shall notify the Superintendent or designee and the teacher(s) involved of the complaint.

During the investigation of the complaint, the challenged material may remain in use until a final decision has been reached. However, upon request of the parent/guardian who has filed the complaint, his/her child may be excused from using challenged materials until a resolution has been reached. The teacher shall assign the student an alternate material of equal merit.

#### **Step 3: Superintendent Determination**

The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a review committee should be convened to review the complaint.

If the Superintendent or designee determines that a review committee is not necessary, he/she shall issue a decision regarding the complaint.

### **Step 4: Review Committee**

If the Superintendent or designee determines that a review committee is necessary, he/she shall appoint a committee composed of administrators and staff members selected from relevant instructional and administrative areas. The Superintendent or designee may also appoint community members to serve on the committee.

The review committee shall review the criteria specified in Board policy and shall determine the extent to which the challenged material supports the curriculum, the educational appropriateness of the material, and its suitability for the age level of the student.

## FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS (continued)

Within 30 days of being convened, the review committee shall summarize its findings in a written report. The Superintendent or designee shall notify the complainant of the committee's decision within 15 days of receiving the committee's report.

### **Step 5: Appeal to the Governing Board**

If the complainant remains unsatisfied, he/she may appeal the Superintendent's or the review committee's decision to the Board. The Board's decision shall be final.

(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

Regulation approved: Community Relations

IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California E 1312.2(a)

### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

### REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

This form is for use only by District employees, District residents, or parents/guardians of children enrolled in a District school to challenge the content or use of an instructional material. For complaints regarding sufficiency of instructional materials, please use the Williams Uniform Complaint Procedure complaint form.

Date:		
	e of person filing complaint:	
Grouj	p represented (if any):	
Phone	e: E-mail address, if any:	
Addre	ess:	
	rial Being Challenged:	
Title:		
	or:	
Publi	sher: Date of Edition:	
Name	e of school/classroom material was used:	
1.	Please specifically state the nature of your concern or objection and identify you objection by page, tape sequence, video frame, or words, as appropriate. You may use additional pages if necessary.	
2.	Did you read/view the entire selection?	
3.	For what age group would you recommend this material?	
4.	If not, what percentage did you read/view, or what parts?	
5.	What do you feel might be the result if a student reads/views this material?	

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6.	What would you like the school to do about this material?						
		= Do not assign it to my omia					
		Withdraw it from all students					
		Reconsider it					
Signa	ature of	complainant					
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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Imperial, California BP 1312.3(a)

### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018

#### UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The Governing Board recognizes that the District has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs. The Board encourages early resolution of complaints whenever possible. To resolve complaints which may require a more formal process, the Board adopts the uniform system of complaint processes specified in 5 CCR 4600-4670 and the accompanying administrative regulation.

The District's uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve the following complaints:

1. Any complaint alleging District violation of applicable state or federal law or regulations governing adult education programs, after school education and safety programs, migrant education, career technical and technical education and training programs, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs, special education programs, consolidated categorical aid programs, and any other Districtimplemented program which is listed in Education Code 64000(a) (5 CCR 4610)

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(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)
(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
(cf. 6178.1 - Work-Based Learning)
(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)
(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)
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2. Any complaint alleging the occurrence of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) against any student, employee, or other person participating in District programs and activities, including, but not limited to, those programs or activities funded directly by or that receive or benefit from any state financial assistance, based on the person's actual or perceived characteristics of race or ethnicity, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital, pregnancy, or parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or based on his/her association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics (5 CCR 4610)

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
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3. Any complaint alleging District noncompliance with the requirement to provide reasonable accommodation to a lactating student on school campus to express breast milk, breastfeed an infant child, or address other breastfeeding-related needs of the student (Education Code 222)

(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)

4. Any complaint alleging District noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees, deposits, or other charges for participation in educational activities (5 CCR 4610)

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(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)
(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)
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5. Any complaint alleging District noncompliance with legal requirements related to the implementation of the local control and accountability plan (Education Code 52075)

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

6. Any complaint, by or on behalf of any student who is a foster youth, alleging District noncompliance with any legal requirement applicable to the student regarding placement decisions, the responsibilities of the District's educational liaison to the student, the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or District, school transfer, or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

7. Any complaint, by or on behalf of a homeless student as defined in 42 USC 11434a, alleging District noncompliance with any requirement applicable to the student regarding the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or District or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

8. Any complaint alleging District noncompliance with the requirements of Education Code 51228.1 and 51228.2 that prohibit the assignment of a student to a course without educational content for more than one week in any semester or to a course the student has previously satisfactorily completed, without meeting specified conditions (Education Code 51228.3)

(cf. 6152 - Class Assignment)

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### **UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES** (continued)

9. Any complaint alleging District noncompliance with the physical education instructional minutes requirement for students in elementary school (Education Code 51210, 51223)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)

10. Any complaint alleging retaliation against a complainant or other participant in the complaint process or anyone who has acted to uncover or report a violation subject to this policy

The Board recognizes that alternative dispute resolution (ADR) can, depending on the nature of the allegations, offer a process to reach a resolution to the complaint that is acceptable to all parties. ADR such as mediation may be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the use of ADR is consistent with state and federal laws and regulations.

The District shall protect all complainants from retaliation. In investigating complaints, the confidentiality of the parties involved shall be protected as required by law. As appropriate for any complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the Superintendent or designee shall keep confidential the identity of the complainant and/or the subject of the complaint if he/she is different from the complainant, as long as the integrity of the complaint process is maintained.

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(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information) (cf. 5125 - Student Records) (cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)
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When an allegation that is not subject to the UCP is included in a UCP complaint, the District shall refer the non-UCP allegation to the appropriate staff or agency and shall investigate and, if appropriate, resolve the UCP-related allegation(s) through the District's UCP.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to District staff to ensure awareness and knowledge of current law and related requirements, including the steps and timelines specified in this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of all UCP complaints and the investigations of those complaints in accordance with applicable law and District policy.

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(cf. 3580 - District Records)
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### **Non-UCP Complaints**

The following complaints shall not be subject to the District's UCP but shall be referred to the specified agency: (5 CCR 4611)

- 1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services, the County Protective Services Division, and the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- 2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to Department of Social Services and shall, for licensing-exempt facilities, be referred to the appropriate Child Development regional administrator.
- 3. Any complaint alleging employment discrimination shall be sent to the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing and the compliance officer shall notify the complainant by first class mail of the transfer.
- 4. Any complaint alleging fraud shall be referred to the California Department of Education.

In addition, the District's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures, AR 1312.4, shall be used to investigate and resolve any complaint related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health or safety of students or staff, or teacher vacancies and misassignments. (Education Code 35186)

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

222 Reasonable accommodations; lactating students

8200-8498 Child care and development programs

8500-8538 Adult basic education

18100-18203 School libraries

32289 School safety plan, uniform complaint procedures

35186 Williams uniform complaint procedures

48853-48853.5 Foster youth

48985 Notices in language other than English

49010-49013 Student fees

49060-49079 Student records

49069.5 Rights of parents

49490-49590 Child nutrition programs

51210 Courses of study grades 1-6

51223 Physical education, elementary schools

51225.1-51225.2 Foster youth and homeless children; course credits; graduation requirements

51228.1-51228.3 Course periods without educational content

52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan, especially:

52075 Complaint for lack of compliance with local control and accountability plan requirements

52160-52178 Bilingual education programs

52300-52490 Career technical education

52500-52616.24 Adult schools

52800-52870 School-based program coordination

54400-54425 Compensatory education programs

54440-54445 Migrant education

54460-54529 Compensatory education programs

56000-56867 Special education programs

59000-59300 Special schools and centers

64000-64001 Consolidated application process

Legal Reference continued: (see next page)

Legal Reference: (continued)

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state

12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act

PENAL CODE

422.55 Hate crime; definition

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

1221 Application of laws

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

6301-6577 Title I basic programs

6801-6871 Title III language instruction for limited English proficient and immigrant students

7101-7184 Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act

7201-7283g Title V promoting informed parental choice and innovative programs

7301-7372 Title V rural and low-income school programs

12101-12213 Title II equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000d-2000e-17 Title VI and Title VII Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

6101-6107 Age Discrimination Act of 1975

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28

35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

100.3 Prohibition of discrimination on basis of race, color or national origin

104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504

106.8 Designation of responsible employee for Title IX

106.9 Notification of nondiscrimination on basis of sex

110.25 Notification of nondiscrimination on the basis of age

#### Management Resources:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS

Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015

Questions and Answers on Title IX and Sexual Violence, April 2014

Dear Colleague Letter: Bullying of Students with Disabilities, August 2013

Dear Colleague Letter: Sexual Violence, April 2011

<u>Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying</u>, October 2010

Revised Sexual Harassment Guidance: Harassment of Students by School Employees, Other Students,

or Third Parties, January 2001

Management Resources continues: (see next page)

Management Resources: (continued)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PUBLICATIONS

Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons, 2002 WEB SITES

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov Family Policy Compliance Office: http://familypolicy.ed.gov

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www.ed.gov/ocr

U.S. Department of Justice: http://www.justice.gov

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Imperial, California AR 1312.3(a)

### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018

#### UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Except as the Governing Board may otherwise specifically provide in other District policies, these uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve only the complaints specified in BP 1312.3.

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees) (cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials) (cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures) (cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

### **Compliance Officers**

The District designates the individual(s) identified below as the employee(s) responsible for coordinating the District's response to complaints and for complying with state and federal civil rights laws. The individual(s) also serve as the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment as the responsible employee to handle complaints regarding unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying). The individual(s) shall receive and coordinate the investigation of complaints and shall ensure District compliance with law.

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

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The compliance officer who receives a complaint may assign another compliance officer to investigate and resolve the complaint. The compliance officer shall promptly notify the complainant and respondent, if applicable, if another compliance officer is assigned to the complaint.

In no instance shall a compliance officer be assigned to a complaint in which he/she has a bias or conflict of interest that would prohibit him/her from fairly investigating or resolving the complaint. Any complaint against a compliance officer or that raises a concern about the compliance officer's ability to investigate the complaint fairly and without bias shall be filed with the Superintendent or designee who shall determine how the complaint will be investigated.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that employees assigned to investigate and resolve complaints receive training and are knowledgeable about the laws and programs at issue in the complaints to which they are assigned. Training provided to such employees shall include current state and federal laws and regulations governing the program, applicable processes for investigating and resolving complaints, including those alleging unlawful

discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), applicable standards for reaching decisions on complaints, and appropriate corrective measures. Assigned employees may have access to legal counsel as determined by the Superintendent or designee.

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(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
(cf. 9124 - Attorney)
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The compliance officer or, if necessary, any appropriate administrator shall determine whether interim measures are necessary during and pending the result of an investigation. If interim measures are determined to be necessary, the compliance officer or the administrator shall consult with the Superintendent, the Superintendent's designee, or, if appropriate, the site principal to implement one or more interim measures. The interim measures shall remain in place until the compliance officer determines that they are no longer necessary or until the District issues its final written decision, whichever occurs first.

### **Notifications**

The District's UCP policy and administrative regulation shall be posted in all District schools and offices, including staff lounges and student government meeting rooms. (Education Code 234.1)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide written notification of the District's UCP, including information regarding unlawful student fees, local control and accountability plan (LCAP) requirements, and requirements related to the educational rights of foster youth and homeless students, to students, employees, parents/guardians, the District advisory committee, school advisory committees, appropriate private school officials or representatives, and other interested parties. (Education Code 262.3, 48853, 48853.5, 49013, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2, 52075; 5 CCR 4622)

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)
(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
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The annual notification and complete contact information of the compliance officer(s) may be posted on the District web site and, if available, provided through District-supported social media.

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(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all students and parents/guardians, including students and parents/guardians with limited English proficiency, have access to the relevant information provided in the District's policy, regulation, forms, and notices concerning the UCP.

If 15 percent or more of students enrolled in a particular District school speak a single primary language other than English, the District's policy, regulation, forms, and notices concerning the UCP shall be translated into that language, in accordance with Education Code 234.1 and 48985. In all other instances, the District shall ensure meaningful access to all relevant UCP information for parents/guardians with limited English proficiency.

#### The notice shall:

- 1. Identify the person(s), position(s), or unit(s) responsible for receiving complaints
- 2. Advise the complainant of any civil law remedies that may be available to him/her under state or federal antidiscrimination laws, if applicable
- 3. Advise the complainant of the appeal process, including, if applicable, the complainant's right to take a complaint directly to the California Department of Education (CDE) or to pursue remedies before civil courts or other public agencies, such as the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) in cases involving unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying).

#### 4. Include statements that:

- a. The District has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs.
- b. The complaint review shall be completed within 60 calendar days from the date of receipt of the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to an extension of the timeline.
- c. A complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) must be filed not later than six months from the date it occurred, or six months from the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged unlawful discrimination. The time for filing may be extended for up to 90 days by the Superintendent or designee for good cause upon written request by the complainant setting forth the reasons for the extension.

- d. Complaints should be filed in writing and signed by the complainant. If a complainant is unable to put his/her complaint in writing, for example, due to conditions such as a disability or illiteracy, District staff shall assist him/her in the filing of the complaint.
- If a complaint is not filed in writing but the District receives notice of any e. allegation that is subject to the UCP, the District shall take affirmative steps to investigate and address the allegations, in a manner appropriate to the particular circumstances.
  - If the allegation involves retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) and the investigation reveals that discrimination has occurred, the District will take steps to prevent recurrence of discrimination and correct its discriminatory effects on the complainant, and on others, if appropriate.
- f. A student enrolled in a public school shall not be required to pay a fee for his/her participation in an educational activity that constitutes an integral fundamental part of the District's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities.
- The Board is required to adopt and annually update the LCAP in a manner g. that includes meaningful engagement of parents/guardians, students, and other stakeholders in the development and/or review of the LCAP.
- h. A foster youth shall receive information about educational rights related to his/her educational placement, enrollment in and checkout from school, as well as the responsibilities of the District liaison for foster youth to ensure and facilitate these requirements and to assist the student in ensuring proper transfer of his/her credits, records, and grades when he/she transfers between schools or between the District and another school district.
- i. A foster youth or homeless student who transfers into a District high school or between District high schools shall be notified of the District's responsibility to:
  - Accept any coursework or part of the coursework that the student has (1) satisfactorily completed in another public school, juvenile court school, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency, and to issue full or partial credit for the coursework completed
  - Not require the student to retake any course or a portion of a course (2) which he/she has satisfactorily completed in another public school. juvenile court school, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency

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- (3) If the student has completed his/her second year of high school before the transfer, provide the student information about District-adopted coursework and Board-imposed graduation requirements from which he/she may be exempted pursuant to Education Code 51225.1
- j. The complainant has a right to appeal the District's decision to the CDE by filing a written appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the District's decision.

In any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the respondent also shall have the right to file an appeal with the CDE in the same manner as the complainant, if he/she is dissatisfied with the District's decision.

- k. The appeal to the CDE must include a copy of the complaint filed with the District and a copy of the District's decision.
- 1. Copies of the District's UCP are available free of charge.

### **District Responsibilities**

All UCP-related complaints shall be investigated and resolved within 60 calendar days of the District's receipt of the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to an extension of the timeline. (5 CCR 4631)

For complaints alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the District shall inform the respondent when the complainant agrees to an extension of the timeline for investigating and resolving the complaint.

The compliance officer shall maintain a record of each complaint and subsequent related actions, including steps taken during the investigation and all information required for compliance with 5 CCR 4631 and 4633.

All parties involved in the allegations shall be notified when a complaint is filed and when a decision or ruling is made. However, the compliance officer shall keep all complaints or allegations of retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) confidential except when disclosure is necessary to carry out the investigation, take subsequent corrective action, conduct ongoing monitoring, or maintain the integrity of the process. (5 CCR 4630, 4964)

### **Filing of Complaints**

The complaint shall be presented to the compliance officer who shall maintain a log of complaints received, providing each with a code number and a date stamp.

All complaints shall be filed in writing and signed by the complainant. If a complainant is unable to put a complaint in writing due to conditions such as a disability or illiteracy, District staff shall assist him/her in the filing of the complaint. (5 CCR 4600)

Complaints shall also be filed in accordance with the following rules, as applicable:

- 1. A complaint alleging District violation of applicable state or federal law or regulations governing adult education programs, consolidated categorical aid programs, migrant education, career technical and technical education and training programs, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs, and special education programs may be filed by any individual, public agency, or organization. (5 CCR 4630)
- 2. Any complaint alleging noncompliance with law regarding the prohibition against requiring students to pay student fees, deposits, and charges or any requirement related to the LCAP may be filed anonymously if the complaint provides evidence, or information leading to evidence, to support an allegation of noncompliance. A complaint about a violation of the prohibition against the charging of unlawful student fees may be filed with the principal of the school or with the Superintendent or designee. However, any such complaint shall be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred. (Education Code 49013, 52075; 5 CCR 4630)
- 3. A complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) may be filed only by a person who alleges that he/she personally suffered the unlawful discrimination or by a person who believes that an individual or any specific class of individuals has been subjected to it. The complaint shall be initiated no later than six months from the date when the alleged unlawful discrimination occurred, or six months from the date when the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged unlawful discrimination. The time for filing may be extended for up to 90 days by the Superintendent or designee for good cause upon written request by the complainant setting forth the reasons for the extension. (5 CCR 4630)
- 4. When a complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) is filed anonymously, the compliance officer shall pursue an investigation or other response as appropriate, depending on the specificity and reliability of the information provided and the seriousness of the allegation.

5. When the complainant of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) or the alleged victim, when he/she is not the complainant, requests confidentiality, the compliance officer shall inform him/her that the request may limit the District's ability to investigate the conduct or take other necessary action. When honoring a request for confidentiality, the District shall nevertheless take all reasonable steps to investigate and resolve/respond to the complaint consistent with the request.

### Mediation

Within three business days after the compliance officer receives the complaint, he/she may informally discuss with all the parties the possibility of using mediation. Mediation shall be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving an allegation of sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. If the parties agree to mediation, the compliance officer shall make all arrangements for this process.

Before initiating the mediation of a complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the compliance officer shall ensure that all parties agree to make the mediator a party to relevant confidential information. The compliance officer shall also notify all parties of the right to end the informal process at any time.

If the mediation process does not resolve the problem within the parameters of law, the compliance officer shall proceed with his/her investigation of the complaint.

The use of mediation shall not extend the District's timelines for investigating and resolving the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to such an extension of time. If mediation is successful and the complaint is withdrawn, then the District shall take only the actions agreed to through the mediation. If mediation is unsuccessful, the District shall then continue with subsequent steps specified in this administrative regulation.

#### **Investigation of Complaint**

Within 10 business days after the compliance officer receives the complaint, the compliance officer shall begin an investigation into the complaint.

Within one business day of initiating the investigation, the compliance officer shall provide the complainant and/or his/her representative with the opportunity to present the information contained in the complaint to the compliance officer and shall notify the complainant and/or

his/her representative of the opportunity to present the compliance officer with any evidence, or information leading to evidence, to support the allegations in the complaint. Such evidence or information may be presented at any time during the investigation.

In conducting the investigation, the compliance officer shall collect all available documents and review all available records, notes, or statements related to the complaint, including any additional evidence or information received from the parties during the course of the investigation. He/she shall individually interview all available witnesses with information pertinent to the complaint, and may visit any reasonably accessible location where the relevant actions are alleged to have taken place. At appropriate intervals, the compliance officer shall inform both parties of the status of the investigation.

To investigate a complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the compliance officer shall interview the alleged victim(s), any alleged offenders, and other relevant witnesses privately, separately, and in a confidential manner. As necessary, additional staff or legal counsel may conduct or support the investigation.

A complainant's refusal to provide the District's investigator with documents or other evidence related to the allegations in the complaint, failure or refusal to cooperate in the investigation, or engagement in any other obstruction of the investigation may result in the dismissal of the complaint because of a lack of evidence to support the allegation. Similarly, a respondent's refusal to provide the District's investigator with documents or other evidence related to the allegations in the complaint, failure or refusal to cooperate in the investigation, or engagement in any other obstruction of the investigation may result in a finding, based on evidence collected, that a violation has occurred and in the imposition of a remedy in favor of the complainant. (5 CCR 4631)

In accordance with law, the District shall provide the investigator with access to records and other information related to the allegation in the complaint and shall not in any way obstruct the investigation. Failure or refusal of the District to cooperate in the investigation may result in a finding based on evidence collected that a violation has occurred and in the imposition of a remedy in favor of the complainant. (5 CCR 4631)

The compliance officer shall apply a "preponderance of the evidence" standard in determining the veracity of the factual allegations in a complaint. This standard is met if the allegation is more likely to be true than not.

### **Report of Findings**

Unless extended by written agreement with the complainant, a final decision shall be sent to the complainant within 60 calendar days of the District's receipt of the complaint. Within 30

calendar days of receiving the complaint, the compliance officer shall prepare and send to the complainant a written report, as described in the section "Final Written Decision" below. If the complainant is dissatisfied with the compliance officer's decision, he/she may, within five business days, file his/her complaint in writing with the Board.

The Board may consider the matter at its next regular Board meeting or at a special Board meeting convened in order to meet the 60-day time limit within which the complaint must be answered. The Board may decide not to hear the complaint, in which case the compliance officer's decision shall be final.

If the Board hears the complaint, the compliance officer shall send the Board's decision to the complainant within 60 calendar days of the District's initial receipt of the complaint or within the time period that has been specified in a written agreement with the complainant. (5 CCR 4631)

In resolving any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying), the respondent also shall be sent the District's decision and, in the same manner as the complainant, may file a complaint with the Board if dissatisfied with the decision.

#### **Final Written Decision**

The District's decision on how it will resolve the complaint shall be in writing and shall be sent to the complainant and respondent. (5 CCR 4631)

In consultation with District legal counsel, information about the relevant part of a decision may be communicated to a victim who is not the complainant and to other parties who may be involved in implementing the decision or are affected by the complaint, as long as the privacy of the parties is protected. In a complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying), notice of the District's decision to the alleged victim shall include information about any sanction to be imposed upon the respondent that relates directly to the alleged victim.

If the complaint involves a limited-English-proficient student or parent/guardian and the student involved attends a school at which 15 percent or more of the students speak a single primary language other than English, then the decision shall also be translated into that language. In all other instances, the District shall ensure meaningful access to all relevant information for parents/guardians with limited English proficiency.

For all complaints, the decision shall include: (5 CCR 4631)

1. The findings of fact based on the evidence gathered. In reaching a factual determination, the following factors may be taken into account:

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- a. Statements made by any witnesses
- b. The relative credibility of the individuals involved
- c. How the complaining individual reacted to the incident
- d. Any documentary or other evidence relating to the alleged conduct
- e. Past instances of similar conduct by any alleged offenders
- f. Past false allegations made by the complainant
- 2. The conclusion(s) of law
- 3. Disposition of the complaint
- 4. Rationale for such disposition

For complaints of retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the disposition of the complaint shall include a determination for each allegation as to whether retaliation or unlawful discrimination has occurred.

The determination of whether a hostile environment exists may involve consideration of the following:

- a. How the misconduct affected one or more students' education
- b. The type, frequency, and duration of the misconduct
- c. The relationship between the alleged victim(s) and offender(s)
- d. The number of persons engaged in the conduct and at whom the conduct was directed
- e. The size of the school, location of the incidents, and context in which they occurred
- f. Other incidents at the school involving different individuals
- 5. Corrective action(s), including any actions that have been taken or will be taken to address the allegations in the complaint and including, with respect to a student fees complaint, a remedy that comports with Education Code 49013 and 5 CCR 4600

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For complaints of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the decision may, as required by law, include:

- a. The corrective actions imposed on the respondent
- b. Individual remedies offered or provided to the complainant or another person who was the subject of the complaint, but this information should not be shared with the respondent.
- c. Systemic measures the school has taken to eliminate a hostile environment and prevent recurrence
- 6. Notice of the complainant's and respondent's right to appeal the District's decision to the CDE within 15 calendar days, and procedures to be followed for initiating such an appeal

The decision may also include follow-up procedures to prevent recurrence or retaliation and for reporting any subsequent problems.

For complaints alleging unlawful discrimination based on state law (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying), the decision shall also include a notice to the complainant that:

- 1. He/she may pursue available civil law remedies outside of the District's complaint procedures, including seeking assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys, 60 calendar days after the filing of an appeal with the CDE. (Education Code 262.3)
- 2. The 60 days moratorium does not apply to complaints seeking injunctive relief in state courts or to discrimination complaints based on federal law. (Education Code 262.3)
- 3. Complaints alleging discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, gender, disability, or age may also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights at www.ed.gov/ocr within 180 days of the alleged discrimination.

#### **Corrective Actions**

When a complaint is found to have merit, the compliance officer shall adopt any appropriate corrective action permitted by law. Appropriate corrective actions that focus on the larger school or District environment may include, but are not limited to, actions to reinforce District policies; training for faculty, staff, and students; updates to school policies; or school climate surveys.

For complaints involving retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), appropriate remedies that may be offered to the victim but not communicated to the respondent may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Counseling
- 2. Academic support
- 3. Health services
- 4. Assignment of an escort to allow the victim to move safely about campus
- 5. Information regarding available resources and how to report similar incidents or retaliation
- 6. Separation of the victim from any other individuals involved, provided the separation does not penalize the victim
- 7. Restorative justice
- 8. Follow-up inquiries to ensure that the conduct has stopped and there has been no retaliation
- 9. Determination of whether any past actions of the victim that resulted in discipline were related to the treatment the victim received and described in the complaint

For complaints involving retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), appropriate corrective actions that focus on a student offender may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Transfer from a class or school as permitted by law
- 2. Parent/guardian conference
- 3. Education regarding the impact of the conduct on others
- 4. Positive behavior support
- 5. Referral to a student success team
- 6. Denial of participation in extracurricular or co-curricular activities or other privileges as permitted by law
- 7. Disciplinary action, such as suspension or expulsion, as permitted by law

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When an employee is found to have committed retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the District shall take appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, in accordance with applicable law and collective bargaining agreement.

The District may also consider training and other interventions for the larger school community to ensure that students, staff, and parents/guardians understand the types of behavior that constitute unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), that the District does not tolerate it, and how to report and respond to it.

If a complaint alleging noncompliance with the laws regarding student fees, deposits, and other charges, physical education instructional minutes for students in elementary schools, or any requirement related to the LCAP is found to have merit, the District shall provide a remedy to all affected students and parents/guardians subject to procedures established by regulation of the State Board of Education. (Education Code 49013, 51223, 52075)

For complaints alleging noncompliance with the laws regarding student fees, the District shall attempt in good faith, by engaging in reasonable efforts, to identify and fully reimburse all affected students and parents/guardians who paid the unlawful student fees within one year prior to the filing of the complaint. (Education Code 49013; 5 CCR 4600)

### Appeals to the California Department of Education

Any complainant who is dissatisfied with the District's final written decision may file an appeal in writing with the CDE within 15 calendar days of receiving the District's decision. (Education Code 222, 48853, 48853.5, 49013, 49069.5, 51223, 51225.1, 51225.2, 51228.3, 52075; 5 CCR 4632)

When a respondent in any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying) is dissatisfied with the District's final written decision, he/she, in the same manner as the complainant, may file an appeal with the CDE.

The complainant or respondent shall specify the basis for the appeal of the decision and whether the facts are incorrect and/or the law has been misapplied. The appeal shall be accompanied by a copy of the locally filed complaint and a copy of the District's decision. (5 CCR 4632)

Upon notification by the CDE that the complainant or respondent has appealed the District's decision, the Superintendent or designee shall forward the following documents to the CDE: (5 CCR 4633)

- 1. A copy of the original complaint
- 2. A copy of the written decision
- 3. A summary of the nature and extent of the investigation conducted by the District, if not covered by the decision
- 4. A copy of the investigation file including, but not limited to, all notes, interviews, and documents submitted by the parties and gathered by the investigator
- 5. A report of any action taken to resolve the complaint
- 6. A copy of the District's uniform complaint procedures
- 7. Other relevant information requested by the CDE

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Imperial, California
AR 1312.4(a)

### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018

#### WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

### **Types of Complaints**

The District shall use the procedures described in this administrative regulation only to investigate and resolve the following: (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680-4683)

- 1. Complaints regarding the insufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials, including any complaint alleging that:
  - a. A student, including an English learner, does not have standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials or state- or District-adopted textbooks or other required instructional materials to use in class.
  - b. A student does not have access to textbooks or instructional materials to use at home or after school. This does not require two sets of textbooks or instructional materials for each student.
  - c. Textbooks or instructional materials are in poor or unusable condition, have missing pages, or are unreadable due to damage.
  - d. A student was provided photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials to address a shortage of textbooks or instructional materials.

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

- 2. Complaints regarding teacher vacancy or misassignment, including any complaint alleging that:
  - a. A semester begins and a teacher vacancy exists.
  - b. A teacher who lacks credentials or training to teach English learners is assigned to teach a class with more than 20 percent English learners in the class.

(cf. 4112.22 - Staff Teaching English Language Learners)

c. A teacher is assigned to teach a class for which the teacher lacks subject matter competency.

Teacher vacancy means a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the semester for an entire semester. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4600)

Beginning of the year or semester means the first day classes necessary to serve all the students enrolled are established with a single designated certificated employee assigned for the duration of the class, but not later than 20 working days after the first day students attend classes for that semester. (5 CCR 4600)

Misassignment means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4600)

(cf. 4112.2 - Certification) (cf. 4113 - Assignment)

- 3. Complaints regarding the condition of school facilities, including any complaint alleging that:
  - a. A condition poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff.

Emergency or urgent threat means structures or systems that are in a condition that poses a threat to the health and safety of students or staff while at school, including, but not limited to, gas leaks; nonfunctioning heating, ventilation, fire sprinklers, or air-conditioning systems; electrical power failure; major sewer line stoppage; major pest or vermin infestation; broken windows or exterior doors or gates that will not lock and that pose a security risk; abatement of hazardous materials previously undiscovered that pose an immediate threat to students or staff; structural damage creating a hazardous or uninhabitable condition; or any other condition deemed appropriate. (Education Code 17592.72)

b. A school restroom has not been cleaned, maintained, or kept open in accordance with Education Code 35292.5.

Clean or maintained school restroom means a school restroom has been cleaned or maintained regularly, is fully operational, or has been stocked at all times with toilet paper, soap, or paper towels or functional hand dryers. (Education Code 35292.5)

*Open restroom* means the school has kept all restrooms open during school hours when students are not in classes and has kept a sufficient number of restrooms open during school hours when students are in classes. This does not apply when the temporary closing of the restroom is necessary for student safety or to make repairs. (Education Code 35292.5)

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety) (cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

### **Filing of Complaint**

A complaint alleging any condition(s) specified in the section "Types of Complaints" above shall be filed with the principal or designee at the school in which the complaint arises. The principal or designee shall forward a complaint about problems beyond his/her authority to the Superintendent or designee in a timely manner, but not to exceed 10 working days. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680)

### **Investigation and Response**

The principal or designee shall make all reasonable efforts to investigate any problem within his/her authority. He/she shall remedy a valid complaint within a reasonable time period not to exceed 30 working days from the date the complaint was received. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4685)

Complaints may be filed anonymously. If the complainant has indicated on the complaint form that he/she would like a response to the complaint, the principal or designee shall report the resolution of the complaint to him/her at the mailing address indicated on the complaint form within 45 working days of the initial filing of the complaint. At the same time, the principal or designee shall report the same information to the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680, 4685)

When Education Code 48985 is applicable and the complainant has requested a response, the response shall be written in English and in the primary language in which the complaint was filed. (Education Code 35186)

If a complainant is not satisfied with the resolution of a complaint, he/she has the right to describe the complaint to the Governing Board at a regularly scheduled meeting. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4686)

For any complaint concerning a facilities condition that poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff as described in item #3a in the section "Types of Complaints" above, a complainant who is not satisfied with the resolution proffered by the principal or Superintendent or designee may file an appeal to the Superintendent of Public Instruction within 15 days of receiving the District's response. The complainant shall comply with the appeal requirements specified in 5 CCR 4632. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4687)

All complaints and written responses are public records. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4686)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

### **Reports**

On a quarterly basis, the Superintendent or designee shall report, to the Board at a regularly scheduled public Board meeting and to the County Superintendent of Schools, summarized data on the nature and resolution of all complaints. The report shall include the number of complaints by general subject area with the number of resolved and unresolved complaints. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4686)

### **Forms and Notices**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure a Williams complaint form is available at each school. However, complainants need not use the District's complaint form in order to file a complaint. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the District's complaint form contains a space to indicate whether the complainant desires a response to his/her complaint and specifies the location for filing a complaint. A complainant may add as much text to explain the complaint as he/she wishes. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that a notice is posted in each classroom in each school containing the components specified in Education Code 35186. (Education Code 35186)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

#### Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

234.1 Prohibition of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying

1240 County superintendent of schools, duties

17592.72 Urgent or emergency repairs, School Facility Emergency Repair Account

33126 School accountability report card

35186 Williams uniform complaint procedures

35292.5 Restrooms, maintenance and cleanliness

48985 Notice to parents in language other than English

60119 Hearing on sufficiency of instructional materials

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4600-4670 Uniform complaint procedures

4680-4687 Williams uniform complaint procedures

#### Management Resources:

### **WEB SITES**

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California County Superintendents Educational Services Association: http://www.ccsesa.org California Department of Education, Williams case: http://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/ce/wc State Allocation Board, Office of Public School Construction: http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov

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IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS, STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS: COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Parents/Guardians, Students, and Teachers:

Pursuant to Education Code 35186, you are hereby notified that:

- 1. There should be sufficient textbooks and instructional materials. That means each student, including an English learner, must have a textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home.
- 2. School facilities must be clean, safe, and maintained in good repair.
- 3. There should be no teacher vacancies or misassignments. There should be a teacher assigned to each class and not a series of substitutes or other temporary teachers. The teacher should have the proper credential to teach the class, including the certification required to teach English learners, if present.

*Misassignment* means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold.

Teacher vacancy means a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.

4. A complaint form may be obtained at the school office or District office, or downloaded from the school or District web site. You may also download a copy of the California Department of Education complaint form from the following web site: http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc. However, a complaint need not be filed using either the District's complaint form or the complaint form from the California Department of Education.

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### COMPLAINT FORM: WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Education Code 35186 creates a procedure for the filing of complaints concerning deficiencies related to instructional materials, conditions of facilities that are not maintained in a clean or safe manner or in good repair, or teacher vacancy or misassignment. The complaint and response are public documents as provided by law. Complaints may be filed anonymously. However, if you wish to receive a response to your complaint, you must provide the contact information below.

Re	spons	e requested?  \( \subseteq \text{ Yes} \) \( \subseteq \text{ No} \)		
Co	ntact	information: (if response is requested)		
Na	me: _			
Ad	ldress:			
Ph	one nu	umber: Day: Evening:		
E-1	mail a	ddress, if any:		
Da	te pro	blem was observed:		
Location of the problem that is the subject of this complaint:				
Sc	hool n	ame/address:		
Co	urse t	itle/grade level and teacher name:		
Ro	om nı	imber/name of room/location of facility:		
col	mplai	e following issues may be the subject of this complaint process. If you wish to n about an issue not specified below, please contact the school or District for the liate District complaint procedure.		
		issue(s) of the complaint: (Please check all that apply. A complaint may contain n one allegation.)		
1. Textbooks and instructional materials: (Education Code 35186;		books and instructional materials: (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4681)		
		A student, including an English learner, does not have standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials or state- or District-adopted textbooks or other required instructional materials to use in class.		
		A student does not have access to textbooks or instructional materials to use at home or after school. This does not require two sets of textbooks or instructional materials for each student.		

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		Textbooks or instructional materials are in poor or unusable condition, have missing pages, or are unreadable due to damage.		
		A student was provided photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials to address a shortage of textbooks or instructional materials.		
2.	Teac	acher vacancy or misassignment: (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4682)		
		A semester begins and a teacher vacancy exists. A <i>teacher vacancy</i> is a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the school year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.		
		A teacher who lacks credentials or training to teach English learners is assigned to teach a class with more than 20 percent English learners in the class.		
		A teacher is assigned to teach a class for which the teacher lacks subject matter competency.		
3.	Facil	acilities conditions: (Education Code 17592.72, 35186, 35292.5; 5 CCR 4683)		
		A condition exists that poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff including gas leaks; nonfunctioning heating, ventilation, fire		
		sprinklers, or air-conditioning systems; electrical power failure; major sewer line stoppage; major pest or vermin infestation; broken windows or exterior doors or gates that will not lock and that pose a security risk; abatement of hazardous materials previously undiscovered that pose an immediate threat to students or staff; structural damage creating a hazardous or uninhabitable condition; and any other condition deemed appropriate by the District.		
		sprinklers, or air-conditioning systems; electrical power failure; major sewer line stoppage; major pest or vermin infestation; broken windows or exterior doors or gates that will not lock and that pose a security risk; abatement of hazardous materials previously undiscovered that pose an immediate threat to students or staff; structural damage creating a hazardous or uninhabitable condition; and any other		
		sprinklers, or air-conditioning systems; electrical power failure; major sewer line stoppage; major pest or vermin infestation; broken windows or exterior doors or gates that will not lock and that pose a security risk; abatement of hazardous materials previously undiscovered that pose an immediate threat to students or staff; structural damage creating a hazardous or uninhabitable condition; and any other condition deemed appropriate by the District.  A school restroom has not been cleaned or maintained regularly, is not fully operational, or has not been stocked at all times with toilet paper, sanitary products,		

Please describe the issue of your complaint in detail. You may attach additional pages and include as much text as necessary to fully describe the situation. For complaints regarding

facilities conditions, please describe the emergency or urgent facilities condition and how that condition poses a threat to the health or safety of students or staff.				
Please file this complaint at the following location:				
(principal or title of designee of the Super	rintendent)			
(address)				
Please provide a signature below. If you wish required. However, all complaints, even anonymore				
(Signature)	(Date)			

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#### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018

#### GIFTS TO SCHOOL PERSONNEL

#### **Gifts from Students**

The Governing Board believes that feelings of appreciation can be expressed in many ways. The Board discourages students and parents/guardians from giving gifts to staff members, and instead encourages them to write personal notes of appreciation. When accepting gifts, staff should be sensitive to the feelings of other students and use discretion when opening the gifts in front of others.

#### Gifts from Vendors

The District discourages individuals or companies doing business with the District from giving gifts, trips, or anything of monetary value to staff members. The District may reject bids from any vendors who offer gifts, commissions or expense-paid trips.

District employees who work for or serve as consultants for potential vendors shall not participate in evaluating any equipment, materials or services of that vendor or of its competitors.

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(cf. 3310 -Purchasing Procedures)
(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
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#### Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

60071 Bribery of school official by publisher or manufacturer

60072 Acceptance of bribe by school official

60073 Penalties for violation of article

60074 Supplying sample copies

60075 Receiving sample copies

60076 Inapplicability of article; royalties or other compensation of school official for writing or preparing instructional materials; claim of District to royalty

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### FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FROM AND BY STUDENTS

The Governing Board recognizes that student participation in fund-raising activities for the schools and nonprofit, nonpartisan charitable organizations can help develop a sense of social responsibility in students, enhance the relationship between the school and community, and contribute to the improvement of the school program.

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(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)
(cf. 4135/4235/4335 - Soliciting and Selling)
(cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights)
(cf. 6142.4 - Service Learning/Community Service Classes)
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Whether solicitations are made on behalf of the school or on behalf of a charitable organization, students shall not be barred from an event or activity because they did not participate in fund-raising. Donations are always voluntary.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that parents/guardians are informed of the purpose of fund-raisers.

#### Solicitations on Behalf of the School

With the prior written approval of the Superintendent or designee, official school-related organizations may organize fund-raising events involving students.

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1260 - Educational Foundation)
(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)
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After the fund-raiser has been held, parents/guardians shall be informed how much money was raised and how it was spent.

#### **Solicitations on Behalf of Charities**

When approved in advance by the Superintendent or designee, nonprofit, nonpartisan organizations that are properly chartered or licensed by state or federal law may solicit students on school grounds during school hours and within one hour before school has opened and one hour after school has closed. (Education Code 51520)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 **SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FROM AND BY STUDENTS** (continued)

#### Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

51520 Prohibited solicitations on school premises

51521 Unlawful solicitations of contribution or purchase of personal property for benefit of public

school or student body; exception

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

17510-17510.95 Charitable solicitations

PENAL CODE

319-329 Raffles

REVENUE AND TAX CODE

6361 Sales tax exemption for certain sales

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

11706 Dangerous activities and occupations

#### Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Healthy Food Policy Resource Guide, 2003

ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLICATIONS

Guide to Charitable Solicitation, 1999

Attorney General's Guide for Charities, 1988

**WEB SITES** 

Office of the Attorney General: http://caag.state.ca.us

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All fund-raising activities must be approved by the Superintendent or designee at least 15 days before the activity. If the event involves a contract with a commercial vendor, the Superintendent or designee must approve the contract before such event.

In order to minimize interruptions to the educational program, staff shall limit fund-raising activities to appropriate time periods designated by the principal.

(cf. 6116 - Classroom Interruptions)

No student shall be required to raise a specified amount of money in order to participate in an activity sponsored by a school-related organization.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)

Students engaged in fund-raising activities on behalf of the school or for school-related projects are expected to be courteous and respectful towards all individuals and businesses.

#### **Door-to-Door Sales**

Students under 16 years old may engage in door-to-door sales of newspaper or magazine subscriptions, candy, cookies, flowers or other merchandise only under the following conditions:

- 1. The students shall work in pairs, as a team, on the same or opposite side of the street. (8 CCR 11706)
- 2. The students shall be supervised by an adult, with one adult for every crew of 10 or fewer students. (8 CCR 11706)
- 3. The students must be within the sight or sound of their adult supervisor at least once every 15 minutes. (8 CCR 11706)
- 4. The students shall be returned to their respective homes or meeting places after each day's work. (8 CCR 11706)
- 5. The students shall not engage in door-to-door sales after dark.
- 6. The students shall not work outside of their immediate neighborhood.
- 7. Students under the age of 6 years shall not be involved in any door-to-door sales or solicitations.

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#### ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION

The Governing Board establishes this policy to ensure effective and consistent implementation of its directions related to advertisements and promotions by nonschool groups in school-sponsored publications, web sites, and social media and on school facilities. Student speech shall be regulated in accordance with BP/AR 5145.2 - Freedom of Speech/Expression.

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(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 5145.2 - Freedom of Speech/Expression)
(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)
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#### **Limited Public Forum**

The Board desires to promote positive relationships between District schools and the community in order to enhance community support and involvement in the schools. The Superintendent or designee may approve:

1. Distribution of noncommercial materials that publicize services, special events, public meetings, or other gatherings of interest to students or parents/guardians

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(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools) (cf. 6162.8 - Research)
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- 2. Distribution of promotional materials of a commercial nature to students or parents/guardians
- 3. Paid advertisements on school property, including, but not limited to, advertisements on billboards and scoreboards
- 4. Paid advertisements in school-sponsored publications, yearbooks, announcements, and other school communications, including web sites and social media
- 5. Products and materials donated by commercial enterprises for educational use, including those that bear the name and/or logo of the donor, as long as they do not unduly promote the donor or any commercial activity or product

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(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
(cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials)
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Prior to the distribution, posting, or publishing of any nonschool group's promotional materials or advertisement, the Superintendent, principal, or designee shall review the

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 **ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION** (continued)

materials or advertisement based on the criteria listed below. He/she may not disapprove materials or advertisement in an arbitrary or capricious manner or in a way that discriminates against a particular viewpoint on a subject that is otherwise allowed by Board policy.

All materials to be distributed shall bear the name and contact information of the sponsoring entity.

As necessary, the Superintendent, principal, or designee shall require a disclaimer on any nonschool group's promotional materials to be distributed, posted, or published, stating that the distribution, posting, or publishing of the materials does not imply District endorsement of the group's activities, products, or services. District- and school-sponsored publications shall include a disclaimer stating that the District or school does not endorse any advertised products or services.

#### Criteria for Approval

The Superintendent, principal, or designee shall not accept for distribution any materials or advertisements that:

- 1. Are lewd, obscene, libelous, or slanderous
- 2. Incite students to commit unlawful acts, violate school rules, or disrupt the orderly operation of the schools
- 3. Promote any particular political interest, candidate, party, or ballot measure, unless the candidates or advocates from all sides are provided the opportunity to present their views to the students during school hours or during events scheduled pursuant to the Civic Center Act

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(cf. 1160 - Political Processes)
(cf. 4119.25/4219.25/4319.25 - Political Activities of Employees)
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4. Proselytize or position the District on any side of a controversial issue

(cf. 6144 - Controversial Issues)

5. Discriminate against, attack, or denigrate any group on account of any unlawful consideration

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

#### **ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION** (continued)

6. Promote the use or sale of materials or services that are illegal or inconsistent with school objectives, including, but not limited to, materials or advertisements for tobacco, intoxicants, non-nutritious foods and beverages, and movies or products unsuitable for children

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(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5131.6 - Alcohol and Other Drugs)
(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)
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7. Solicit funds or services for an organization, with the exception of solicitations authorized in Board policy

(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)

8. Distribute unsolicited merchandise for which an ensuing payment is requested

The Superintendent or designee also may consider the educational value of the materials or advertisements, the age or maturity of the students in the intended audience, and whether the materials or advertisements support the basic educational mission of the District, directly benefit the students, or are of intrinsic value to the students or their parents/guardians.

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
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Schools may establish additional criteria pertaining to the content of advertisements in school publications and yearbooks, as deemed appropriate by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with law and Board policy.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

#### **ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION** (continued)

#### Legal Reference:

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 1, Section 2 Free speech rights

**EDUCATION CODE** 

7050-7058 Political activities of school officers and employees

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

35172 Promotional activities

38130-38138 Civic Center Act

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE** 

25664 Advertisements encouraging minors to drink

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#### **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

The Governing Board believes that school facilities and grounds are a vital community resource which should be used to foster community involvement and development. Therefore, the Board authorizes the use of school facilities by District residents and community groups for purposes specified in the Civic Center Act, to the extent that such use does not interfere with school activities or other school-related uses.

(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)

The Superintendent or designee shall give priority to school-related activities in the use of school facilities and grounds. Other uses authorized under the Civic Center Act shall be on a first-come, first-served basis.

For the effective management and control of school facilities and grounds, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain procedures and regulations that: (Education Code 38133)

- 1. Aid, encourage, and assist groups desiring to use school facilities for approved activities
- 2. Preserve order in school facilities and on school grounds and protect school facilities, designating a person to supervise this task, if necessary

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(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive School Safety Plan)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
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3. Ensure that the use of school facilities or grounds is not inconsistent with their use for school purposes and does not interfere with the regular conduct of school work

Subject to prior approval by the Board, the Superintendent or designee may grant the use of school facilities or grounds on those days on which District schools are closed. (Education Code 37220)

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(cf. 6115 - Ceremonies and Observances)
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There shall be no advertising on school facilities and grounds except as allowed by District policy specified in BP 1325 - Advertising and Promotion.

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(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)
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As necessary to ensure efficient use of school facilities, the Superintendent or designee may, with the Board's approval, enter into an agreement for the joint use of any school facilities or grounds. The Board shall approve any such agreement only if it determines that it is in the best interest of the District and the community.

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

#### **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES** (continued)

#### Fees

The Board shall adopt a comprehensive schedule of fees to be charged for community use of school facilities and grounds and prepared in accordance with 5 CCR 14037-14041. (5 CCR 14041)

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

The Board shall grant the use of school facilities or grounds without charge to school-related organizations whose activities are directly related to or for the benefit of District schools. All other groups requesting the use of school facilities under the Civic Center Act shall be charged an amount not exceeding direct costs determined in accordance with 5 CCR 14037-14041.

Additionally, when any use of school facilities or grounds is for religious services, the District shall charge an amount at least equal to the District's direct costs. (Education Code 38134)

In determining direct costs to be charged for community use of each, or each type of, school facility or grounds, the Superintendent or designee shall calculate, in accordance with 5 CCR 14038, the community's proportionate share of the following costs: (Education Code 38134; 5 CCR 14038-14041)

1. Capital direct costs calculated in accordance with 5 CCR 14039, including the estimated costs of maintenance, repair, restoration, and refurbishment of non-classroom space school facilities or grounds

However, capital direct costs shall not be charged to organizations retained by the District or school to provide instruction or instructional activities to students during school hours or for classroom-based programs that operate after school hours, including, but not limited to, after-school, tutoring, and child care programs. (5 CCR 14037)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development) (cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)

2. Operational direct costs calculated in accordance with 5 CCR 14040, including estimated costs of supplies, utilities, janitorial services, other services of District employees and/or contracted workers, and salaries and benefits paid to District employees directly associated with the administration of the Civic Center Act to operate and maintain school facilities and grounds

#### **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES** (continued)

Direct cost fees shall not be discounted to any group or organization except when the discount is specifically authorized in the adopted fee schedule. (5 CCR 14041)

Groups shall be charged fair rental value when using school facilities or grounds for entertainment or meetings where admission is charged or contributions solicited and net receipts are not to be expended for charitable purposes or for the welfare of the District's students. (Education Code 38134)

#### Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

10900-10914.5 Community recreation programs

32282 School safety plan

37220 School holidays

38130-38138 Civic Center Act, use of school property for public purposes

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE** 

25608 Alcoholic beverage on school premises

GOVERNMENT CODE

54950-54963 The Ralph M. Brown Act

MILITARY AND VETERANS CODE

1800 Definitions

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14037-14042 Proportionate direct costs for use of school facilities and grounds

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7905 Equal access to public school facilities

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Imperial, California E(1) 1330(a)

#### **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

### IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION AND PERMIT FOR FACILITIES/FIELD USE

Name of organization requesting use		Date of Request	
Name of person who will be in charge of group		Phone Number/Ce	ll Number
Address/Town/Zip		Signature of person	making request
	FACILITY TO	BE USED	
Multipurpose Room***MF	PR with Kitchen Gym t provide own aprons, ute	nnasiumClassroom _ ensils, trash bags, towels, et	Board Room Pool
	LOCATION	ON	
Ben House Waş	ggoner Frank Wrig	thtIHSIAHS	1
ATH	LETIC FIELDS/COU Lights Needed?		
Softball field Northwest fie	eld Baseball field	Football fieldOutsid	e Basketball Courts
	LOCATIO	ON	
Ben House Was	ggoner Frank Wrig	thtIHSIAHS	}
<b>Swimming Pool</b> - List the narduty (1:20 ratio)	nes of lifegaurds with	current Lifegaurd Certi	ficates who will be or
1 2	·	3	
Date of event H	Event Start and End time	AM/PM Hours (inclu	AM/PM usive) to be used
Description of Activity/Event:			
Number of people attending:	Will a	idmission be charged?	Yes No
Is your organization a recognized i	non-profit organization?	Yes No Tax II	D#

All activities/events require a Certificate of Insurance naming the Imperial Unified School District as additional insured for the day of the event in the amount of \$1,000,000 for each person, \$2,000,000 for each accident, with property damage coverage in an amount not less than \$200,000. Please see Rules of Conditions of this form for additional information and areas where required signatures are needed.

# FIRST DRAFT – JUNE 2018 **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES** (continued)

DESCRIBE ANY VCR, etc.)	ROOM SET-UP	AND/OR	EQUIPMENT	REQUIRED	(Tables,	chairs,	podium,	PA,	TV

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#### **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

#### **RULES AND CONDITIONS OF USE**

- 1. Applicant shall comply with all applicable District policies, rules and regulations including, without limitation, policies prohibiting the use of tobacco, drugs and alcohol on District property. Violation of District policies, rules and regulations may result in immediate termination of Applicant's activity, closure of the facility/field and denial of future use permits. Applicant shall announce the District's alcohol, tobacco, and drug-free policy at the commencement of activities held on District property.
- Applicant shall abide by the hours stipulated in the permit. All persons participating in or attending Applicant's activity shall be vacated from the facility/field at the expiration of the authorized use period.
- 3. Applicant shall exercise appropriate care to maintain the facility/field during use and to restore the facility/field to its condition prior to use. If Applicant fails to abide by this rule, Applicant will be charged for services necessary to clean and restore the facility/field in such event, Applicant's permit will be suspended, and no other permit will be issued to Applicant until full payment is received.
- 4. Applicant shall have the use permit available for inspection at all times during the authorized use period.
- 5. The permit may be suspended in an emergency situation when a conflicting District or public school need to use the facility/field arises after issuance of the permit.
- 6. Prior to use of any facility/field, Applicant shall pay the fee specified in the permit.
- 7. Prior to use, Applicant shall submit a certificate of comprehensive general liability insurance covering personal injuries, wrongful death, and claims for property damage, with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000 for each person, \$2,000,000 for each accident, with property damage coverage in an amount not less than \$2,000,000. The policy shall be in force, at Applicant's expense, at all times during approved use periods, be issued by a company acceptable to the District, name District, its board of trustees, officers, agents and employees as additional insured, and provide for at least thirty (30) day advance written notice to District prior to cancellation, material change or non-renewal.
- 8. Applicant shall indemnify, defend, and hold District, its board of trustees, agents, officers and employees, harmless from any claim, demand, suit, and action, equitable or otherwise, and any cost, damage, loss, injury, fine, penalty, and attorney's fee arising out of injury or death of any person or damage of any property caused by, connected with, or attributable to Applicant's acts or omissions during use of District facility/field.

#### **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES** (continued)

I certify that I am the Applicant or authorized representative of Applicant and that the information I provided above is true and correct. Applicant agrees to the Rules and Conditions of Use. If requested, I will provide identification and/or proof of authorization to act on behalf of the Applicant.

Applicant's Signature (please sign and print name) Date

9. Education Code 38136 requires that individuals and organizations desiring to use school facilities execute, under penalty of perjury, the following <u>Statement of Information</u>.

The undersigned states that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the school property for use of which application is hereby made will not be used for the commission of any act intended to further any program or movement the purpose of which is to accomplish the overthrow of the government of the United Stated by force, violence or other unlawful means;

That the organization on whose behalf he/she is making application for use of school property, does not, to the best of his/her knowledge, advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States or of the State of California by force, violence, or other unlawful means, and that, to the best of his/her knowledge, it is not a Communist action organization or Communist front organization required by law to be registered with the Attorney General of the United States

#### This statement is made under penalty of perjury.

Applicant's Signature	-
Building Capacities	
Imperial High Multipurpose Room	103
Ben Hulse Multipurpose Room	
T.L. Waggoner Multipurpose Room	690
Frank Wright Multipurpose Room	
Old Gym	
Frank Wright Gym	
Emma Lou Hansen Gym	

## **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES** (continued)

## **Use of Facility/Lighting Fees**

Facility/Field	Direct Cost Non-Profit Rate	Fair Rental Value For Profit Rate
Multipurpose Room*	\$42 first 4 hrs \$12 ea additional hr	\$100 first 4 hrs \$25 ea additional hour
Use of Kitchen	2 hr minimum for food service wkr (1	rate varies)
IHS Old Gym*	\$26 per hr + custodian	\$75 per hr + custodian
Emma Lou Hansen Gym*	\$54 per hr + custodian	\$150 per hr + custodian
Frank Wright Gym*	\$54 per hr + custodian *Custodial Rate Approximately \$35 minimum	\$120 per hr + custodian 00 per hour with 2 hour
Classroom	\$10 p/day first 4 hrs \$12/hr ea additional hr	\$50 p/day first 4 hrs \$25/hr ea additional hr
Softball Field Lights	\$50 per hr	\$100 per hr
Baseball Field Lights	\$100 per hr	\$200 per hr
Football Field Lights	\$100 per hr	\$200 per hr
Northwest Field Lights	\$50 per hr	\$100 per hr

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#### JOINT USE AGREEMENTS

In order to ensure the efficient use of public resources and increase access to needed services, the Governing Board may enter into an agreement with any public agency, public institution, and/or community organization to use community facilities for school programs or to make school facilities or grounds available for use by those entities. Such an agreement shall be based on an assessment of student and community needs and may be designed to increase access to spaces for recreation and physical activity, library services, school health centers, preschool programs, child care centers, before- or after-school programs, or other programs that benefit students and the community.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6163.1 - Library Media Centers)
(cf. 7000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)
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When it is determined that joint use of facilities is in the best interest of the District and community, the Superintendent or designee shall identify a potential partner agency, institution, or organization. He/she shall involve that partner, appropriate District and school staff, and community members in establishing planning processes, goals and priorities for joint use, locations where programs or facilities are most needed, and protocols for ongoing communication and coordination between the partners.

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
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The Superintendent or designee shall work with the partner agency, institution, or organization to develop a written site-specific joint use agreement that delineates the terms and conditions for joint use of the District or community facilities and the responsibilities of all parties. As appropriate, the agreement may address:

- 1. The underlying philosophy or reasons for entering into the joint use agreement
- 2. The specific District or community facilities or grounds that will be made available to the other party and areas that will be restricted
- 3. Priorities for use of the property
- 4. Hours that the property will be available for use by the District, the partner, or other parties

#### **JOINT USE AGREEMENTS** (continued)

- 5. Projected capital costs, if any, and operating costs
- (cf. 7110 Facilities Master Plan)
- (cf. 7150 Site Selection and Development)
- (cf. 7210 Facilities Financing)
- 6. Resources to be allocated by the District and the partner

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

- 7. Rental or other fees, if any, to be charged to either party or third parties using the facilities
- 8. Responsibilities for management, scheduling, maintenance, on-site supervision, accounting, and other operations
- 9. Procedures and timelines for requesting use of the facilities
- 10. Code of conduct for users of the facilities and consequences for violations of the code
- (cf. 3513.3 Tobacco-Free Schools)
- (cf. 3515.2 Disruptions)
- (cf. 5131 Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.5 Vandalism and Graffiti)
- 11. Provision for regular inspection and notification of damage, as well as restitution and repair of property
- (cf. 3515.4 Recovery for Property Loss or Damage) (cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)
- 12. Safety and security measures
- (cf. 0450 Comprehensive School Safety Plan)
- (cf. 3515 Campus Security)
- (cf. 3516 Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
- (cf. 5142 Safety)
- 13. Liability, insurance, and risk management issues
- (cf. 3320 Claims and Actions Against the District)
- (cf. 3530 Risk Management/Insurance)
- (cf. 9260 Legal Protection)
- 14. Duration of the agreement, process for amending the agreement, and the bases for cancelling or terminating the agreement before the expiration date

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#### **JOINT USE AGREEMENTS** (continued)

- 15. Process for resolving disputes regarding any aspect of the agreement
- 16. How any equipment purchased or other investments made through the agreement will be disposed of at the termination of the agreement

The agreement shall be reviewed by legal counsel and approved by the Board.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide regular reports to the Board regarding progress toward project goals, including, but not limited to, levels of participation in joint use programs held at school or community facilities, feedback from program participants, and any report of damage to property or harm to individuals resulting from the joint use. As needed, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend amendments to the joint use agreement.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

#### **JOINT USE AGREEMENTS** (continued)

Legal	Reference:
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#### EDUCATION CODE

8482-8484.6 After School Education and Safety Program

8484.7-8484.9 21st Century Community Learning Centers

10900-10914.5 Community recreation programs

17051-17052 Joint use

17077.40-17077.45 Eligibility for joint use funding

17565-17592 Board duties re property maintenance and control

35200-35214 Liabilities

37220 School holidays; use of facilities when school is closed

38130-38138 Civic Center Act, use of school property for public purposes

44808 Exemption from liability when students not on school property

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

25608 Alcoholic beverages on school premises

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

814-825.6 Liability of public entities and employees

830-840.6 Liability; dangerous conditions on property

895-895.8 Liability; agreement between public entities

989-991.2 Local public entity insurance

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

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7905 Equal access to public facilities

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Checklist for Developing Joint Use Agreements, March 2009

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**WEB SITES** 

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California Project LEAN (Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition):

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Public Health Law and Policy: http://www.phlpnet.org

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#### JOINT USE AGREEMENTS

#### **Use of Swimming Pools**

Anyone wishing to use the pool facility must get written authorization from the Superintendent of Schools. Safety precautions will be observed by all people present during Physical Education classes, recreational swimming, or the summer recreation program. All rules and regulations will be observed at all times. A copy of the pool rules and regulations will be made available to the person requesting the use of the pool.

Only persons who hold an appropriate lifeguard card and who have been approved by the Imperial Unified School District may serve as lifeguards. A copy of the lifeguard card shall be on file in the District office. A minimum of two lifeguards will be on duty at all times for a group of twenty or less, with one additional lifeguard for each additional group of twenty people. Lifeguards will be compensated at a rate set by the Governing Board and paid by the Imperial Unified School District.

A rental fee, set by the Governing Board, to help defray the maintenance costs of the facility for that period of time will be charged. This fee will be waived for local, non-profit youth groups.

The person or organization requesting the use of the pool will be held responsible for the actions of those in attendance. Pool rules and regulations (on file in the District office) must be adhered to at all times. In case of damages or injuries, the person or organization requesting the use of the facility will be held legally responsible.

The District reserves the right to deny any request for the use of pool facility.

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