

Comprehensive Safety Plan

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

The school site council at each district school shall develop a comprehensive school safety plan relevant to the needs and resources of that particular school. New school campuses shall develop a safety plan within one year of initiating operations. (Education Code 32281, 32286)

The school safety plan shall take into account the school's staffing, available resources, and building design, as well as other factors unique to the site.

Each school shall forward its comprehensive safety plan to the School Safety and Emergency Preparedness Division where staff will review and forward to the Board for approval. (Education Code 32288)

The comprehensive safety plans shall be reviewed and updated by March 1 of each year. (Education Code 32286)

The Board shall review the comprehensive school safety plans in order to ensure compliance with state law, Board policy, and administrative regulations and shall approve the plans at a regularly scheduled meeting.

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

Tactical Response Plan

Notwithstanding the process described above, any portion of a comprehensive safety plan that includes tactical responses to criminal incidents that may result in death or serious bodily injury at a school site, including steps taken to safeguard students and staff, secure the affected school premise, and apprehend the criminal perpetrator(s), shall be developed by district administration in accordance with Education Code 32281. In developing such strategies, district administration shall consult with law enforcement officials and with a representative of an employee bargaining unit, if he/she chooses to participate.

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

Public Access to Safety Plans

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that an updated file of all safety-related plans and materials is readily available for inspection by the public in two locations, at the school site and at the School Safety and Emergency Preparedness Division. (Education Code 32282) However, those portions of the comprehensive safety plan that include tactical responses to criminal incidents shall not be publicly disclosed.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

32260-32262 Interagency School Safety Demonstration Act of 1985

32270 School safety cadre

32280-32289 School safety plans

32290 Safety devices

35147 School site councils and advisory committees

35183 School dress code; uniforms

35291 Rules

35291.5 School-adopted discipline rules

35294.10-35294.15 School Safety Consolidated Competitive Grant Program

48900-48927 Suspension and expulsion

48950 Speech and other communication

49079 Notification to teacher; student act constituting grounds for suspension or expulsion

67381 Violent crime

PENAL CODE

422.55 Definition of hate crime

626.8 Disruptions

11164-11174.3 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act

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