

INSTRUCTION

Toxic Art, Craft, and Fabrication Supplies

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to protect the health and safety of students in the selection of materials used for instruction in arts, crafts, and fabrication activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the purchase, use and proper disposal of arts, crafts, and fabrication materials which ensure that the health and safety of students is protected from harmful exposure to toxic substances in accordance with Education Code 32064 and established health standards.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that arts, crafts, and fabrication materials purchased for use by students in grades K-6 will not contain toxic substances or cause chronic illness as determined by the State Department of Health Services. Every effort shall be made to use non-toxic materials in grades 7-12.

Students in grades 7-12 are considered able to read and understand product labels and to take adequate precautions to use products which are prohibited for use in grades K-6. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that arts, crafts, and fabrication materials purchased, when necessary, for use in grades 7-12 meet the requirements of Education Code 32065. The products must be properly labeled to identify toxic ingredients, warn of potential adverse health effects and describe procedures for safe use and storage.

Courses using paints, solvents, chemicals, gases and other such materials shall include a student safety orientation or instructional module, presented by the course instructor. This orientation or module will include teaching the proper use, application, storage and other applicable safety precautions relating to classroom use and storage of these materials.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures that insure extreme care when those materials are incorporated into the classroom instruction process.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32060 Legislative findings and declarations

32061 Art or craft material; definition

32062 Human carcinogen; definition

32063 Toxic substance causing chronic illness; definition

32064 Restrictions on purchases of arts and crafts materials

32065 Warning labels

32066 List of toxic art supplies; preparation and distribution

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

108500-108515 Labeling of arts and crafts materials

PENAL CODE

594.1 Aerosol containers of paint

Management Resources:

BP 6161.3

CDE PROGRAM ADVISORIES
0712.94 Toxic Art Supplies List of Approved Products CIL :94/95-01

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