

**SAFETY**

The Board of Education places a high priority on safety and on the prevention of student injury. Principals and staff are responsible for the conduct and safety of students from the time they come under school supervision until they leave school supervision, whether on school premises or not. The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations and procedures as necessary to protect students from dangerous situations.

*(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)*  
*(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)*  
*(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)*  
*(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)*  
*(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)*  
*(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)*  
*(cf. 5141.1 - Accidents)*  
*(cf. 5142.2 - Crossing Guards)*  
*(cf. 5144 - Discipline)*  
*(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)*  
*(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)*

**Playgrounds**

The Board recognizes that playgrounds present children with visible challenges which they may choose to take in order to test their skills and courage. Playground equipment shall be carefully selected and installed, so that while presenting such challenges, it minimizes accidents and presents no unseen hazards. Safety shall receive prime consideration whenever playgrounds are planned or upgraded.

The principal or designee shall ensure that playgrounds and other school facilities are regularly inspected, well maintained, and adequately supervised whenever in use by students during the school day or at school-sponsored activities. The principal or designee shall establish playground safety rules.

*(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)*

*Legal Reference: (see next page)*

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 17280-17315 Approvals (Field Act)
- 32000-32004 School safety: uniform fire signals
- 32020 School gates; entrances for emergency vehicles
- 32030-32034 School eye safety
- 32040 First aid equipment
- 32050 Hazing
- 38139 Missing children; posting of information
- 44807 Duty of teachers concerning conduct of pupils to hold them accountable for conduct to and from schools, on playgrounds, and during recess
- 44808 Exemption from liability when students are not on school property
- 44808.5 Permission for pupils to leave school grounds; notice (high school)
- 49068.5 Missing children; transfers
- 49341 Need for safety in school science laboratories
- 51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 810-996.6 California Tort Claims Act, especially:
- 815 Liability for injuries generally; immunity of public entity
- 835 Conditions of liability
- 4450-4458 Access to public buildings by physically handicapped persons

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

- 115725-115750 Playground Equipment
- 115775-115800 Wooden Playground Safety
- PENAL CODE - 14200-14213 Violent crime information center

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

- 5411 Purchase of equipment usable by physically handicapped persons

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

- 202 Exclusion of pupils with a contagious disease
- 5531 Supervision of social activities
- 5552 Playground supervision
- 5570 When school shall be open and teachers present
- 14103 Bus driver; authority over pupils

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24

- 4-314 Construction on school sites

COURT DECISIONS

- Perna v. Conejo Valley Unified School District (1983) 143 Cal. App. 3d 292
- Hoyem v. Manhattan Beach City School District (1978) 22 Cal. 3d 508
- Dailey v. Los Angeles Unified School District (1970) 2 Cal. 3d 741, 747

Management Resources:

OFFICE OF THE STATE ARCHITECT ADVISORIES

- 0400.90 Death and Injury from Collapse of Free-Standing Walls

Policy

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