

**SAN LORENZO
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD POLICY**

Community Relations

BP 1400 (a)

RELATIONS BETWEEN OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND THE SCHOOLS

The Governing Board recognizes that agencies at all levels of government share its concern and responsibility for the health, safety and welfare of youth. The Superintendent or designee shall initiate and maintain good working relationships with representatives of these agencies in order to help district schools and students make use of the resources which governmental agencies can provide.

- (cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
- (cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
- (cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
- (cf. 3515.5 - Sex Offender Notification)
- (cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
- (cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)
- (cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
- (cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)
- (cf. 5145.11 - Questioning and Apprehension)
- (cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)
- (cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)

The district may enter into agreements with other agencies which involve the exchange of funds or reciprocal services. Such agreements shall be approved by the Board and executed in writing.

Elections/Voter Registration

***Note: Pursuant to Elections Code 12283, an elections official requesting the use of a school building as a polling place must include in his/her request a list of the schools needed. As amended by AB 1472 (Ch. 219, Statutes of 2003), Elections Code 12283 requires such requests to be made within sufficient time before the start of the school year so that the Board can determine and notify parents/guardians whether (1) the school will remain in session on those days, (2) the school day will be designated for staff training and development, or (3) the school will be closed to students and nonclassified employees. See BP 6111 - School Calendar for language implementing this new law.

If a city or county elections official specifically requests the use of a school building as a polling place, the Board shall allow its use for such purpose. The Board may authorize the use of school buildings as polling places on any election day, and may also authorize

the use of school buildings, without cost, for the storage of voting machines and other vote-tabulating devices. If school sessions will continue, the Board shall identify to elections officials the specific areas of the school buildings not occupied by school activities that will be allowed for use as polling places. (Elections Code 12283)

(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)

Note: AB 1472 (Ch. 219, Statutes of 2003) added a provision in Elections Code 12283 to require districts to make a telephone line for Internet access available to elections officials upon request.

When a school is used as a polling place, the Superintendent or designee shall provide the elections official a site with an adequate amount of space that will allow the precinct board to perform its duties in a manner that will not impede, interfere or interrupt the normal process of voting, and shall make a telephone line for Internet access available for use by local elections officials if so requested. He/she shall make a reasonable effort to ensure that the site is accessible to disabled persons. (Elections Code 12283)

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

Note: The following optional paragraph is for use by districts that maintain high schools. AB 593 (Ch. 819, Statutes of 2003) added Elections Code 2146 requiring the Secretary of State to provide high schools with enough voter registration forms for all students in the school. AB 3062 (Ch. 508, Statutes of 2006) amended Elections Code 2146 to require the Secretary of State to provide high schools with enough voter registration forms for all students who are of voting age or will be of voting age by the end of the year. The following paragraph should be revised to reflect district practice.

To encourage students to participate in the elections process when they are eligible, the Superintendent or designee may distribute to high school seniors voter registration forms provided by the Secretary of State. He/she shall determine the most effective means of distributing the forms, which may include but not be limited to distributing forms at the start of the school year, with orientation materials, at central locations, and/or with graduation materials.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

10900-10914.5 Cooperative community recreation programs

12400 Authority to receive and expend federal funds

12405 Authority to participate in federal programs

17050 Joint use of library facilities

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BP 1400 (c)

- 17051 Joint use of park and recreational facilities
- 32001 Fire alarms and drills
- 35160 Authority of governing boards
 - 35160.1 Broad authority of school districts
- 48902 Notification of law enforcement agencies
- 48909 District attorney may give notice re student drug use, sale or possession
- 49305 Cooperation of police and California Highway Patrol
- 49402 Contracts with city, county or local health departments
- 49403 Cooperation in control of communicable disease and immunization
- 51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

ELECTIONS CODE

2145-2146 Distribution of voter registration forms

12283 Polling places: schools

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

828 Disclosure of information re minors by law enforcement agency

828.1 School district police department; disclosure of juvenile criminal records

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Secretary of State: <http://www.ss.ca.gov>

California Voter Foundation: <http://www.calvoter.org>

Cities, Counties, and Schools Partnership: <http://www.ccspartnership.org>

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