

**BOARD POLICY**

The Governing Board is committed to maximizing employee safety and believes that workplace safety is the responsibility of every employee. Working conditions and equipment shall comply with standards prescribed by federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

*(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)*

No employee shall be required or permitted to be in any place of employment which is unsafe or unhealthful. (Labor Code 6402)

The Superintendent or designee shall promote safety and correct any unsafe work practices through education and enforcement.

All employees are expected to use safe work practices and, to the extent possible, correct any unsafe conditions which may occur. If an employee is unable to correct an unsafe condition, the employee shall immediately report the problem to the Superintendent or designee.

*(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)*

*(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)*

The Superintendent or designee shall establish and implement a written injury and illness prevention program, and provide employees with access to such program, in accordance with law. (Labor Code 6401.7; 8 CCR 3203)

*(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)*

*(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)*

*(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)*

*(cf. 4119.41/4219.41/4319.41 - Employees with Infectious Disease)*

*(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)*

*(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)*

*(cf. 4157.2/4257.2/4357.2 - Ergonomics)*

*(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)*

The Superintendent or designee shall make first aid materials readily available at district workplaces and shall make effective provisions to prepare for prompt medical treatment in the event of an employee's serious injury or illness. (8 CCR 3400)

No employee shall be discharged or discriminated against for exercising any right regarding employee safety or health specified in Labor Code 6310, including:

1. Making a report or complaint
2. Instituting proceedings or causing proceedings to be instituted
3. Testifying with regard to employee safety or health

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4. Participating in any occupational health and safety committee established pursuant to Labor Code 6401.7
5. Requesting access to injury or illness reports and records
6. Exercising any other right protected by the Occupational Safety and Health Act

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

32030-32034 Eye safety

32225-32226 Communications devices in classrooms

32280-32289.5 School safety plans

44984 Required rules for industrial accident and illness leave of absence

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of bargaining

LABOR CODE

132a Workers' compensation; nondiscrimination

3300 Definitions of employer

6305 Occupational safety and health standards; special order

6310 Retaliation for filing complaint prohibited

6400-6413.5 Responsibilities and duties of employers and employees, especially:

6401.7 Injury and illness prevention program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

3203 Injury and illness prevention program

3204 Access to employee exposure and medical records

3400 Medical services and first aid

5095-5100 Control of noise exposure

5193 Bloodborne pathogens

14000-14316 Occupational injury or illness reports and records

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17

2508 Reporting of communicable diseases

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 29

651-678 Occupational safety and health

1910.95 Occupational noise exposure

1910.1030 Bloodborne pathogens

*Management Resources:*

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS PUBLICATIONS

Guide to Developing Your Workplace Injury and Illness Prevention Program, rev. August 2011

WEB SITES

California Department of Industrial Relations, Occupational Safety and Health:

[http://www.dir.ca.gov/occupational\\_safety.html](http://www.dir.ca.gov/occupational_safety.html)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

National Hearing Conservation Association: <http://www.hearingconservation.org>

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health: <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh>

U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration: <http://www.osha.gov>

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