

BUSINESS AND NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

The Governing Board recognizes that the daily operations of our schools entail the use of many potentially hazardous substances.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that hazardous substances are inventoried, used, stored and regularly disposed of in a safe and legal manner.

Teachers shall instruct students as to the importance of proper handling, storage, disposal and protection with regard to all potentially hazardous substances.

Insofar as possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored and used on school property. The Board encourages staff to give preference to materials that cause the least risk to people and the environment.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the schools are regularly inspected to identify potential sources of risk. When new environmental risks are discovered, the Superintendent or designee shall inform the Board and the community.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement and maintain a written hazard communication program in accordance with 8 CCR 5194 and shall ensure that employees, students, and others as necessary are fully informed about the properties and potential hazards of substances to which they may be exposed.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop specific measures to ensure the safety of students and staff in school laboratories where hazardous chemicals are used. Such measures shall include the development and implementation of a chemical hygiene plan in accordance with 8 CCR 5191 and instruction to students about proper handling of hazardous substances.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

49340-49341 Hazardous substances education

49401.5 Legislative intent; consultation services

49411 Chemical listing; compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE CODE

12981 Regulations re pesticides and worker safety

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

25163 Transportation of hazardous wastes; registration; exemptions; inspection

25500-25520 Hazardous materials release response plans; inventory

LABOR CODE

6360-6363 Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act

6380-6386 List of hazardous substances
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8
339 List of hazardous substances
3203 Illness and injury prevention program
3204 Records of employee exposure to toxic or harmful substances
5139-5230 Control of hazardous substances, especially
5154.1-5154.2 Ventilation
5161 Definitions
5162 Emergency eyewash and shower equipment
5163 Control of spills
5164 Storage of hazardous substances
5191 Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories;
chemical hygiene plan
5194 Hazard Communication
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22
67450.40-67450.49 School hazardous waste collection, consolidation, and
accumulation facilities

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2012

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education: <http://cde.ca.gov>

Department of Industrial Relations, Cal/OSHA: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh>

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