

BOARD POLICY NO: 3514

SUBJECT: Environmental Safety

CATEGORY: Business and Non-Instructional Operations EFFECTIVE: 3/14/2017 RESPONSIBLE OFFICE(S): Business Services, Facilities and Governmental Relations REVISED: 2/15/2017

SCOPE:

The Governing Board recognizes its obligation to provide a safe and healthy environment at school facilities for students, staff, and community members. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly assess school facilities to identify environmental health risks. The Superintendent or designee shall establish a comprehensive plan to prevent and/or mitigate environmental hazards based on a consideration of the proven effectiveness of various options, anticipated short-term and long-term costs and/or savings to the district, and the potential impact on staff attendance, student attendance, and student achievement.

POLICY:

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations to prevent and/or reduce environmental hazards in accordance with law and state guidelines. Strategies shall include but not necessarily limited to:

- 1. Considering air quality in the siting and architectural design of new or remodeled facilities and in the selection of building materials and furnishings, and taking steps to reduce indoor air contaminants in maintenance operations
- 2. Ensuring the use of effective least toxic pest management practices at all district schools. (cf. 3514.2 Integrated Pest Management.)
- 3. Minimizing the exposure to lead in paint, soil or drinking water, especially in areas accessible to very young children.
- 4. Inspecting and testing facilities for asbestos-containing materials and protecting persons during encapsulation and removal of any asbestos.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board, staff, parents/guardians, students, and/or governmental agencies, as appropriate, if an environmental hazard is discovered at a school site. The notification shall provide information about the district's actions to remedy the hazard and may recommend health screening of staff and students.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

This policy will promote healthy school environments.

IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS:

District Policies and Procedures:

(cf. 1312.3 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 – Management Supervisory and Confidential Staff Development)



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(cf. 4157/4257/4357/4158/4258/4358 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)

(cf. 5141.23 – Infectious Disease Prevention)

(cf. 5141.6 - Student Health and Social Services)

(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School and District Facilities)

(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)

(cf. 3516.5 – Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)

(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)

Legal Reference:

Education Code

17002 Definition of "good repair"

17070.75 Facilities inspection

17582 Deferred maintenance fund

17590 Asbestos abatement fund

17608-17613 Healthy Schools Act of 2000, least toxic pest management practices

32080-32081 Carbon monoxide devices

32240-32245 Lead-Safe Schools Protection Act

48980.3 Notification of pesticides

49410-49410.7 Asbestos materials containment or removal

Food and Agricultural Code

11401-12408 Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals

13180-13188 Healthy Schools Act of 2000, least toxic pest management practices

Government Code

3543.2 Scope of representation; right to negotiate safety conditions

Health and Safety Code

105400-105430 Indoor environmental quality

113700-114437 California Retail Food Code, sanitation and safety requirements

Code of Regulations, Title 5

14010 Standards for school site selection

Code of Regulations, Title 8

337-339 Hazardous substances list

340-340.2 Occupational safety and health, rights of employees



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1528-<u>1533</u> Construction safety orders; exposure to hazards

5139-5223 Control of hazardous substances

Code of Regulations, Title 13

2025 Retrofitting of diesel school buses 2480 Vehicle idling

Code of Regulations, Title 17

35001-36100 Lead abatement services

Code of Regulations, Title 22

64670-64679 Lead and copper in drinking water

United States Code, Title 7

136-136y Use of pesticides

United States Code, Title 15

2601-2629 Control of toxic substances 2641-2656 Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act

United States Code, Title 42

1758 Food safety and inspections

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40

141.1-141.723 Drinking water standards

745.61-745.339 Lead-based paint standards

763.80-763.99 Asbestos-containing materials in schools

763.120-763.123 Asbestos worker protections

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Indoor Air Quality: Governing Board Actions for Creating Healthy School Environments, Policy Brief, July 2008

Asthma Management in the Schools, Policy Brief, March 2008

Food Safety Requirements, Fact Sheet, October 2007

Sun Safety in Schools, Policy Brief, July 2006

California Department of Education Publications

School Site Selection and Approval Guide, 2000

Indoor Air Quality, A Guide for Educators, 1995



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California Department of Health Services Publications

Report to the Legislature: Lead Hazards in California's Public Elementary Schools and Child Care Facilities, April 1998

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Publications

Indoor Air Quality Tools for Schools, rev. 2007

Healthy School Environments Assessment Tool, 2007

The ABCs of Asbestos in Schools, rev. August 2003

Mold Remediation in Schools and Commercial Buildings, March 2001

How to Manage Asbestos in School Buildings: AHERA Designated Person's Self-Study Guide,

1996

Web Sites

CSBA: http://www.csba.org AirNow: http://www.airnow.gov

American Association of School Administrators: http://www.aasa.org

California Air Resources Board: http://www.arb.ca.gov

California Department of Education, Health and Safety: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa/hs

California Department of Pesticide Regulation: http://www.cdpr.ca.gov

California Department of Public Health: http://www.cdph.ca.gov California Indoor Air Quality Program: http://www.cal-iaq.org Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: http://www.cdc.gov Consumer Product Safety Commission: http://www.cpsc.gov

National Center for Environmental Health: http://www.cdc.gov/nceh Occupational Safety and Health Administration: http://www.osha.gov

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: http://www.epa.gov

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