

Policy 3514.1: Hazardous Substances

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The Governing Board desires to provide a safe school environment that protects students and employees from exposure to any potentially hazardous substances used in the district's educational program and in the maintenance and operation of district facilities and equipment.

Insofar as reasonably possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored and used on school property. When hazardous substances must be used, the Superintendent or designee shall give preference to materials that cause the least risk to people and the environment.

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

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.

The Superintendent or designee shall not order or purchase for use in grades K-6 any arts and crafts materials containing a substance determined by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to be toxic. The Superintendent or designee shall not purchase any such toxic material for use in grades 7-12 unless it includes a warning label as specified in Education Code 32065 that identifies any toxic ingredients, warns of potential adverse health effects, and describes procedures for safe use and storage. (Education Code 32064)

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
22 CCR 67450.40-67450.49	School hazardous waste collection, consolidation, and accumulation facilities
8 CCR 3203	Injury and illness prevention program
8 CCR 3204	Access to employee exposure and medical records
8 CCR 337-339	Hazardous substances list
8 CCR 5139-5230	Control of hazardous substances

8 CCR 5154.1-5154.2	Ventilation
8 CCR 5161	Definitions
8 CCR 5162	Emergency eyewash and shower equipment
8 CCR 5163	Control of spills
8 CCR 5164	Storage of hazardous substances
8 CCR 5191	Chemical hygiene plan
8 CCR 5194	Hazard communication
Ed. Code 32060-32066	Toxic art supplies
Ed. Code 49340-49341	Hazardous substances education
Ed. Code 49401.5	Legislative intent; consultation services
Ed. Code 49411	Chemical listing: compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal
F&A Code 12981	Regulations re pesticides and worker safety
H&S Code 108100-108515	California Hazardous Substances Act
H&S Code 25163	Transportation of hazardous wastes; registration; exemptions; inspection
Lab. Code 6360-6363	Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act
Lab. Code 6380-6386	List of hazardous substances
Management Resources	Description
California Department of Education Publication	Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2014
OEHHA Publication	Art and Craft Materials in Schools: Guidelines for Purchasing and Safe Use, September 17, 2016
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services
Website	California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
Website	Department of Industrial Relations, Cal/OSHA
Website	CSBA
Website	California Department of Education

Cross References

Code	Description
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0470	COVID-19 Mitigation Plan
1240	Volunteer Assistance
1240	Volunteer Assistance

3260	Fees And Charges
3260	Fees And Charges
3510	Green School Operations
3511	Energy And Water Management
3511	Energy And Water Management
3514	Environmental Safety
3514	Environmental Safety
3514.2	Integrated Pest Management
3530	Risk Management/Insurance
3530	Risk Management/Insurance
4112.6	Personnel Files
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4112.9-E(1)	Employee Notifications
4119.42	Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens
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4119.42-E(1)	Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens
4131	Staff Development
4157	Employee Safety
4157	Employee Safety
4212.6	Personnel Files
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4219.42	Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens
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4231	Staff Development
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