

Policy 3514.1: Hazardous Substances

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

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

Insofar as possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored on school property. The Board encourages staff to substitute less dangerous materials for hazardous ones when feasible.

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.

Hazard Communication Program

The Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement and monitor a written hazard communication program in accordance with state law. As part of this program, he/she shall ensure that employees are fully informed about the properties and potential hazards of substances to which they may be exposed and that material safety data sheets are readily accessible to them.

Teachers shall instruct students about the importance of proper handling, storage, disposal and protection when using any potentially hazardous substance.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5141.23 - Infectious Disease Prevention)

(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)
