

Business and Non-Instructional Operations

Environmental Safety

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. He/she shall consider 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 and students, including the impact on student achievement and attendance.

Such strategies shall focus on maximizing healthy indoor air quality; monitoring the quality of outdoor air and adjusting outdoor activities as necessary; reducing exposure to vehicle emissions; minimizing exposure to lead and mercury; reducing the risk of unsafe drinking water; inspecting and properly abating asbestos; appropriately storing, using, and disposing of potentially hazardous substances; using effective least toxic pest management practices; reducing the risk of foodborne illness; and addressing any other environmental hazards identified during facilities inspections.

In developing strategies to promote healthy school environments, the superintendent or designee may consult and collaborate with local environmental protection agencies, health agencies, water boards, and other community organizations.

The superintendent or designee shall provide the district's maintenance and facilities staff, bus drivers, food services staff, teachers, and other staff as appropriate with professional development regarding their responsibilities in implementing strategies to improve and maintain environmental safety at the schools.

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.

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

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Legal Reference: (cont.)

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
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HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

105400-105430	Indoor environmental quality
113700-114437	California Retail Food Code, sanitation and safety requirements
116277	Lead testing of potable water at schools and requirements to remedy

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14010	Standards for school site selection
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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

337-339	Hazardous substances list
340-340.2	Occupational safety and health, rights of employees
1528-1537	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
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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

64670-64679	Lead and copper in drinking water
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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24

915.1-915.7	California Building Standards Code; carbon monoxide devices
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UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 7

136-136y	Use of pesticides
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Legal Reference: (cont.)

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
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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

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 Building Standards: http://www.bsc.ca.gov/codes.aspx
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 State Water Resources Control Board: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov
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

Policy

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