

Policy 3514.1: Hazardous Substances

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The Governing Board recognizes that potentially hazardous substances are used in the daily operations of our schools. The Superintendent shall ensure these substances are inventoried, used, stored and regularly disposed of in a safe and legal manner.

Insofar as possible, the Superintendent shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored on school property and shall substitute less dangerous materials for hazardous substances.

Hazard Communication Program

The Superintendent 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.

The Superintendent 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.
