

VANDALISM AND GRAFFITI

The Governing Board desires to enhance student learning by striving to provide an environment where students and staff can feel safe and secure and can take pride in their school. To that end, the Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies for preventing graffiti and vandalism on school grounds, including collaborating with local law enforcement and city and county officials, as appropriate, to help develop a coordinated response to graffiti and vandalism in the community.

Students and staff are encouraged to report any graffiti or vandalism to the principal or designee for investigation. The principal or designee shall determine whether the incident necessitates an investigation pursuant to the district's sexual harassment, hate-motivated behavior, or nondiscrimination grievance procedure.

As appropriate, the principal or designee may contact local law enforcement in instances when the graffiti is repetitive, identifies particular targets or groups, identifies the perpetrator, and/or contains incitements to violence, threats, or intimidation. Photographs or other evidence of the vandalism or graffiti shall be preserved as necessary for investigation by the district or law enforcement and as evidence in any district disciplinary proceedings.

The principal or designee shall ensure that graffiti on school grounds is removed and covered as soon as possible, and if practicable before the beginning of the school day.

A student who commits an act of vandalism or graffiti on school grounds shall be subject to disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, suspension or expulsion in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. If reparation for damages is not made, the district also may withhold the student's grades, diploma, and/or transcripts in accordance with law.

Any student of the district who commits an act of vandalism shall also be liable to disciplinary action by the district.

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 Resources

5 CCR 305
Civ. Code 1714.1

Civ. Code 51.7
Civ. Code 52.1
Ed. Code 48900
Ed. Code 48904

Ed. Code 48904.3

Gov. Code 53069.5

Description

Student responsible for care of property
Liability of parent or guardian for act of willful misconduct by a minor
Freedom from violence or intimidation
Discrimination liability
Grounds for suspension and/or expulsion
Willful misconduct, limit of liability of parent or guardian
Withholding grades, diplomas, or transcripts of pupils causing property damage or injury
Reward for information

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State Resources (continued)

Pen. Code 594.1
Pen. Code 594.2
Pen. Code 594.6
Pen. Code 640.5
Pen. Code 640.6

Description

Aerosol containers of paint
Intent to commit vandalism or graffiti
Vandalism or graffiti, community service
Graffiti; facilities or vehicles of governmental entity
Graffiti

Management Resources

Website
Website

Description

California Department of Education
CSBA

Cross Reference

0450
1330.1
3515
3515.3
3515.4
4256.3
5125.2
5131
5131.1
5131.4
5136
5137
5138
5144
5144.1
5145.3
5145.7
5145.9
6161.2

Description

Comprehensive Safety Plan
Joint Use Agreements
Campus Security
District Police/Security Department
Recovery For Property Loss Or Damage
Employee Property Reimbursement
Withholding Grades, Diploma Or Transcripts
Conduct
Bus Conduct
Student Disturbances
Gangs
Positive School Climate
Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation
Discipline
Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process
Nondiscrimination/Harassment
Sexual Harassment
Hate-Motivated Behavior
Damaged Or Lost Instructional Materials

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