

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Instruction

Students shall receive instruction by appropriately trained instructors on drug education and the effects of alcohol and other drugs including dangerous drugs defined by Health and Safety Code 11032. (Education Code 51260)

Site administrators shall determine that drug education instructors are appropriately trained, having demonstrated that they possess:

1. The ability to interact with students in a positive way
2. Knowledge of the properties and effects of tobacco, alcohol, narcotics, dangerous drugs and shared drug apparatus
3. Effective teaching skills and competency in helping students to express opinions responsibly and to become aware of their values as they affect drug-use decisions (Education Code 51260)

In grades 1 through 5, instruction in drug education should be given in health courses required by Education Code 51210. (Education Code 51260)

In grades 6 through 12, instruction in drug education shall be conducted in health courses and in any other appropriate area of study required by Education Code 51220. (Education Code 51260)

Instruction shall be sequential in nature and suited to meet the needs of students at their respective grade level. (Education Code 51260)

The district drug education program shall augment any program provided by county drug education services. (Education Code 51260)

Recognizing that the use of anabolic steroids presents a serious health hazard to students, teachers of science, health, physical education or drug education shall include a lesson on this hazard in instruction programs for grades 7-12. (Education Code 51262)

Students who participate in athletics shall receive information about the hazards of anabolic steroids from their coaches.

Secondary school instructors shall make a study of the effects of alcohol and other drugs on prenatal development. (Education Code 51203)

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Intervention

The staff shall intervene whenever students use alcohol and other drugs on school property or are under school jurisdiction. Staff shall refer to BP 5141.21 regarding the legitimate use and administering of medicine.

(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)

Staff members who have reason to believe that a student may be under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall immediately notify the principal or designee. The principal or designee, if in agreement, shall notify the parent/guardian.

The principal or designee may refer families of these students to services that effectively deal with their drug problems.

In severe cases, if the parents/guardians or the school medical personnel are not immediately available, the principal is authorized to call an ambulance to remove the student to a hospital. Parents/guardians will be notified of this action and shall be responsible for the incurred expenses.

Enforcement/Discipline

When any student illegally uses, possesses, sells or provides alcohol or other drugs at school or while under school jurisdiction, the following shall result:

1. Parent/guardian contact
2. Suspension or expulsion in accordance with law
3. Restriction from school activities
4. Contact law enforcement authority within one school day of the suspension

In addition, the following action may be taken:

1. Referral to an appropriate community counseling program with the expectation that at least one counseling session will be held during the time of suspension
2. Transfer/alternative placement
3. Recommendation of expulsion

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

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