

Comprehensive School Safety Plan

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California Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) Overview

The California Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) is a **mandated framework for all K-12 schools in California**. This includes public schools, public charter schools, community schools, and court schools. For school districts with fewer than 2,501 students, a single district-wide safety plan may cover all schools.

Purpose: The CSSP is designed to **identify and address potential risks on campus, prepare for emergencies, and ensure a safe and secure learning environment** for students and staff. It also aims to prevent violence and behaviors that undermine safety and security. Designated stakeholders must annually engage in a systematic planning process to develop strategies and policies for a wide range of incidents, including:

- Emergencies, natural, and other disasters
- Hate crimes and violence
- Cyberbullying, discrimination, and harassment
- Child abuse and neglect
- Discipline, suspension, and expulsion

How to write your School Safety Plan

The CSSP must be **written and developed by the school site council (SSC)** or a designated safety planning committee. This committee typically includes the principal/designee, a teacher, a parent of a child attending the school, and a classified employee. It is also recommended to include students, mental health specialists, nurses, athletic coaches, multilingual community liaisons, food staff, custodians, local businesses, and nonprofits.

Key Elements and Procedures (Required Components): Your CSSP must include, but is not limited to, the following components:

- **Assessment of current school crime status** (reviewing office referrals, attendance, suspension/expulsion data, etc.).
- **Child abuse and neglect reporting procedures**, consistent with California Penal Code. This includes clear identification of child abuse/neglect signs and mandatory reporting obligations for all school/district employees and athletic coaches who have a "reasonable suspicion".
- **Disaster procedures**, routine and emergency plans, and crisis response plans, with adaptations for students with disabilities.
- **Earthquake emergency procedures**, including a school building disaster plan, a "drop" procedure practiced quarterly in elementary schools and semiannually in secondary schools, and protective measures.
- **Fire drills** (monthly for elementary/intermediate, twice yearly for secondary).
- **School building disaster plans** for situations like bomb threats, bioterrorism, intruders, weapons, explosions, gas/fumes, and power failures.
- Procedures allowing public agencies (e.g., American Red Cross) to **use school facilities for mass care and welfare shelters** during an emergency.
- **Suspension/expulsion policies and procedures**. Note that recent legislation (SB 274) prohibits suspensions and expulsions for willful defiance in K-12, with limited exceptions. Alternatives to suspension that focus on addressing root causes and improving behavioral and academic outcomes are encouraged.
- Procedures to **notify teachers of dangerous students**.
- **Discrimination and harassment policy**, including hate crime reporting procedures.
- **Schoolwide dress code**, if it exists, including prohibition of gang-related apparel.
- Procedures for **safe ingress and egress** of pupils, parents/guardians, and employees.
- Maintenance of a **safe and orderly learning environment**.
- **Rules and procedures on school discipline**.
- Procedures for **conducting tactical responses to criminal incidents**, including individuals with guns on school campuses and at school-related functions. Procedures for active shooters or other armed assailants should be based on specific needs and context. High-intensity drills are prohibited.
- Procedures to assess and respond to **dangerous, violent, or unlawful activity**.
- Procedures to respond to incidents involving **sudden cardiac arrest or other life-threatening medical emergencies** (required by July 1, 2025).
- A **protocol for opioid overdose** for grades 7-12.
- An **Instructional Continuity Plan** to provide instruction when in-person instruction is disrupted (required by July 1, 2025).

- Collaboration with **other school site councils or safety planning committees**.
- Annual access to the CDE's **online training resources for bullying and cyberbullying prevention** for certificated staff and all other school site employees who regularly interact with students. The CDE recommends including bullying/cyberbullying prevention policies in the CSSP.

Recommended Components and Best Practices:

- **Staff Training:** Ensure all staff receive proper training on the CSSP.
- **Collaboration with First Responders:** Annually consult with local law enforcement, fire departments, and other first responders when updating the CSSP, and notify them of any changes. Establishing strong connections before an emergency is crucial.
- **Community Input:** Present the safety plan goals at a **public meeting** at the school site to allow for public opinions before adopting the plan.
- **Clear Guidelines & Roles:** Include clear guidelines for roles and responsibilities of mental health professionals, athletic coaches, community intervention professionals, and school resource officers.
- **Age-Appropriate Protocols:** Design lockdown, shelter-in-place, and evacuation procedures, and conduct drills that are age-appropriate for students.
- **Youth Suicide Prevention Policy:** Include this policy in the CSSP.
- **Pandemic and COOP Plans:** Incorporate a Pandemic Influenza Checklist and Resources, a dedicated Pandemic Plan, and a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP).
- **Plan Protection:** Implement physical security and cybersecurity measures to protect the sensitive information within your safety plan.
- **Diversity and Communication:** Ensure reunification plans are communicated to parents/guardians in languages they understand, and safety materials are available for limited English proficient families.
- **Ongoing Task and Leadership:** Designate a school site safety leader to work with the SSC/safety planning committee.
- **Student Participation:** Encourage active student participation in SSC or School Safety Committee meetings.
- **Crisis Response Box & Emergency Supplies:** Create a centralized crisis response box with critical resources (maps, keys, emergency cards) and an emergency supplies kit.
- **Regular Safety Assessments:** Conduct safety/security site assessments regularly and after critical incidents to identify vulnerabilities.
- **Threat Assessment Team:** Partner with your district to establish or enhance a Threat Assessment Team to identify, assess, and handle threats.
- **Substitute Teacher Awareness:** Ensure substitute teachers and classified staff receive briefings and materials on school safety procedures.
- **Safety Tools:** Consider using access control systems, security cameras, burglar and fire alarms, and effective communication systems.

Safety Plan Completion Timeline

Effective school safety planning is an **ongoing process**, requiring regular review and evaluation, especially after critical incidents.

1. **Annual Update and Adoption:** Each school is required by law to **update and adopt its CSSP by March 1 every year**.
2. **District/COE Approval:** The adopted plan must then be forwarded to the school district or County Office of Education (COE) for approval. While there's no specific deadline for approval, the CDE recommends approval within a month of school adoption or as soon as practical before October 15.
3. **Notification to CDE:** Each school district or COE must annually notify the California Department of Education (CDE) **by October 15** of any schools that have not complied with the requirements. Failure to make this required report can result in an assessment of up to \$2,000 against the district or COE.
4. **Public Inspection:** An updated file of all non-sensitive safety-related plans and materials must be **readily available for inspection by the public** if requested.

A copy of the Comprehensive School Safety Plan is available for review at 4949 Foxen Canyon Rd., Santa Maria, CA 93454.

Safety Plan Vision

The Board of Trustees desires to enhance student learning by providing an orderly, caring, and nurturing educational and social environment in which all students can feel safe and take pride in their school and their achievements.

Components of the Comprehensive School Safety Plan (EC 32281)

Benjamin Foxen Elementary School Safety Committee

We are members of the Santa Barbara Self-Insured Program for Employees (SIPE). SIPE assists member agencies in effective implementation of their Health, Safety, and Environment (HSE) management programs in accordance with current health and safety legislation. SIPE plans, organizes, and consults on member agencies' safety programs and provides support and professional expertise to district safety coordinators. Our district safety coordinator regularly attends SIPE meetings and updates our Superintendent on safety issues.

Assessment of School Safety

The primary source of data for school crime, safety and climate is provided by annual CALPADS reporting. The three-year trend shown below indicates that chronic absenteeism, suspensions, and expulsions are low and continue to decrease. This data reinforces that our current efforts in most areas of crime, safety and climate are within the range of expectations for our district.

The three-year trend is as follows:

2024/2025

*Chronic Absenteeism Rate – 4.69%

*Suspension Rate – 2.38%

*Expulsion Rate – 0%

2023/2024

*Chronic Absenteeism Rate – 6.4%

*Suspension Rate – 2.5%

*Expulsion Rate – 0%

2022/2023

*Chronic Absenteeism Rate – 7%

*Suspension Rate – 4%

*Expulsion Rate – 0%

Strategies and Programs to Provide and Maintain a High Level of Safety (EC 32281(a)1, items A-J)

Our safety procedures are based on S.E.M.S. - STANDARDIZED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM and N.I.M.S. - NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT strategies. These strategies are describe in detail in the body of this document.

(A) Child Abuse Reporting Procedures (EC 35294.2 [a] [2]; PC 11166)

Regulation 5141.4 Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting

Definitions

Child abuse or neglect includes the following: (Penal Code 11165.5, 11165.6)

1. A physical injury or death inflicted by other than accidental means on a child by another person
2. Sexual abuse of a child, including sexual assault or sexual exploitation, as defined in Penal Code 11165.1
3. Neglect of a child as defined in Penal Code 11165.2
4. Willful harming or injuring of a child or the endangering of the person or health of a child as defined in Penal

Code 11165.3

5. Unlawful corporal punishment or injury as defined in Penal Code 11165.4

Child abuse or neglect does not include:

1. A mutual affray between minors (Penal Code 11165.6)
2. An injury caused by reasonable and necessary force used by a peace officer acting within the course and scope of employment (Penal Code 11165.5, 11165.6)
3. An injury resulting from the exercise by a teacher, vice principal, principal, or other certificated employee of the same degree of physical control over a student that a parent/guardian would be legally privileged to exercise, not exceeding the amount of physical control reasonably necessary to maintain order, protect property, protect the health and safety of students, or maintain proper and appropriate conditions conducive to learning (Education Code 44807)
4. An injury caused by a district employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to quell a disturbance threatening physical injury to persons or damage to property, for purposes of self-defense, or to obtain weapons or other dangerous objects within the control of a student (Education Code 49001)
5. Physical pain or discomfort caused by athletic competition or other such recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student (Education Code 49001)

Additionally, general neglect does not include: (Penal Code 11165.2)

1. A parent/guardian's economic disadvantage
2. A child receiving treatment by spiritual means pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 16509.1, or not receiving specified medical treatment for religious reasons

Mandated reporters include, but are not limited to, teachers; instructional aides; teacher's aides or assistants; classified employees; certificated pupil personnel employees; administrative officers or supervisors of child attendance; athletic coaches, administrators, and directors; licensees, administrators, and employees of a licensed child day care facility; Head Start program teachers; district police or security officers; licensed nurses or health care providers; and administrators, presenters, and counselors of a child abuse prevention program. (Penal Code 11165.7)

Reasonable suspicion means that it is objectively reasonable for a person to entertain a suspicion, based upon facts that could cause a reasonable person in a like position, drawing when appropriate on the person's training and experience, to suspect child abuse or neglect. However, reasonable suspicion does not require certainty that child abuse or neglect has occurred nor does it require a specific medical indication of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Reportable Offenses

Using the procedures provided below, a mandated reporter shall make a report whenever the mandated reporter, while acting in a professional capacity or within the scope of employment, has knowledge of or observes a child whom the mandated reporter knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11166)

Any mandated reporter who has knowledge of or who reasonably suspects that a child is suffering serious emotional damage or is at a substantial risk of suffering serious emotional damage, based on evidence of severe anxiety, depression, withdrawal, or untoward aggressive behavior toward self or others, may make a report to the appropriate agency. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166.05, 11167)

Any district employee who reasonably believes to have observed the commission of a murder, rape, or lewd or lascivious act by use of force, violence, duress, menace, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury against a victim who is a child under 14 years of age shall notify a peace officer. (Penal Code 152.3)

The fact that a child is experiencing homelessness or is classified as an unaccompanied minor, as defined in the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 USC 11434a), is not, in and of itself, a sufficient basis for reporting child abuse or neglect. (Penal Code 11165.15)

Responsibility for Reporting

The reporting duties of mandated reporters are individual and cannot be delegated to another person. (Penal Code 11166)

When two or more mandated reporters jointly have knowledge of a known or suspected instance of child abuse or

neglect, the report may be made by a member of the team selected by mutual agreement and a single report may be made and signed by the selected member of the reporting team. Any member who has knowledge that the member designated to report has failed to do so shall thereafter make the report. (Penal Code 11166)

No supervisor or administrator shall impede or inhibit a mandated reporter from making a report. (Penal Code 11166)

Any person not identified as a mandated reporter who has knowledge of or observes a child whom the person knows or reasonably suspects has been a victim of child abuse or neglect may report the known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect to the appropriate agency. (Penal Code 11166)

Reporting Procedures

1. Initial Telephone Report

Immediately or as soon as practicable after knowing or observing suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter shall make an initial report by telephone to any police department (excluding a district police/security department), sheriff's department, county probation department if designated by the county to receive such reports, or county welfare department. (Penal Code 11165.9, 11166)

Such reports shall be made to the following agency(ies):

Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services
Santa Maria, CA
805-346-7135

When the initial telephone report is made, the mandated reporter shall note the name of the official contacted, the date and time contacted, and any instructions or advice received.

2. Written Report

Within 36 hours of knowing or observing the information concerning the incident, the mandated reporter shall prepare and either send, fax, or electronically transmit to the appropriate agency a written follow-up report, which includes a completed California Department of Justice (DOJ) form (BCIA 8572). (Penal Code 11166, 11168)

The DOJ form may be obtained from the district office or other appropriate agencies, such as the police department, sheriff's department, or county probation or welfare department.

Reports of suspected child abuse or neglect shall include, if known: (Penal Code 11167)

- a. The name, business address, and telephone number of the person making the report and the capacity that makes the person a mandated reporter
- b. The child's name and address, present location, and, where applicable, school, grade, and class
- c. The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the child's parents/guardians
- d. The name, address, telephone number, and other relevant personal information about the person(s) who might have abused or neglected the child
- e. The information that gave rise to the reasonable suspicion of child abuse or neglect and the source(s) of that information

The mandated reporter shall make a report even if some of this information is not known or is uncertain to the mandated reporter. (Penal Code 11167)

The mandated reporter may give to an investigator from an agency investigating the case, including a licensing agency, any information relevant to an incident of child abuse or neglect or to a report made for serious emotional damage pursuant to Penal Code 11166.05. (Penal Code 11167)

3. Internal Reporting

The mandated reporter shall not be required to disclose the mandated reporter's identity to a supervisor, the principal, or the Superintendent or designee. (Penal Code 11166)

However, employees reporting child abuse or neglect to an appropriate agency are encouraged, but not required, to notify the principal as soon as possible after the initial telephone report to the appropriate agency. When so notified, the principal shall inform the Superintendent or designee.

The principal so notified shall provide the mandated reporter with any assistance necessary to ensure that reporting procedures are carried out in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. At the mandated reporter's request, the principal may assist in completing and filing the necessary forms.

Reporting the information to an employer, supervisor, principal, school counselor, co-worker, or other person shall not be a substitute for making a mandated report to the appropriate agency. (Penal Code 11166)

Training

Within the first six weeks of each school year, or within the first six weeks of employment if hired during the school year, the Superintendent or designee shall provide training on mandated reporting requirements to district employees and persons working on their behalf who are mandated reporters. (Education Code 44691; Penal Code 11165.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall use the online training module provided by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). (Education Code 44691)

The training shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, training in identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect. Additionally, the training shall include information that failure to report an incident of known or reasonably suspected child abuse or neglect as required by law is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment and/or a fine as specified. (Education Code 44691; Penal Code 11165.7)

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall provide annual training on the prevention of abuse, including sexual abuse, of children on district property, by district staff, or in district-sponsored programs. (Education Code 44691)

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain and retain proof of each mandated reporter's completion of the training. (Education Code 44691)

Victim Interviews by Social Services

Whenever CDSS or another government agency is investigating suspected child abuse or neglect that occurred within the child's home or out-of-home care facility, the student may be interviewed by an agency representative during school hours, on school premises. The Superintendent or designee shall give the student the choice of being interviewed in private or in the presence of any adult school employee or volunteer aide selected by the student. (Penal Code 11174.3)

A staff member or volunteer aide selected by a child may decline to be present at the interview. If the selected person accepts, the principal or designee shall inform the person of the following requirements prior to the interview: (Penal Code 11174.3)

1. The purpose of the selected person's presence at the interview is to lend support to the child and enable the child to be as comfortable as possible
2. The selected person shall not participate in the interview
3. The selected person shall not discuss the facts or circumstances of the case with the child
4. The selected person is subject to the confidentiality requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, a violation of which is punishable as specified in Penal Code 11167.5

If a staff member agrees to be present, the interview shall be held at a time during school hours when it does not involve an expense to the school. (Penal Code 11174.3)

Release of Child to Peace Officer

When a child is released to a peace officer and taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse or neglect, the Superintendent or designee and/or principal shall not notify the parent/guardian, but rather shall provide the peace officer with the address and telephone number of the child's parent/guardian. (Education Code 48906)

Parent/Guardian Complaints

Upon request, the Superintendent or designee shall provide parents/guardians with procedures for reporting suspected child abuse occurring on district property to appropriate agencies. For parents/guardians whose primary language is not English, such procedures shall be in their primary language and, when communicating orally regarding those guidelines and/or procedures, an interpreter shall be provided.

To file a complaint against a district employee or other person suspected of child abuse or neglect on district property, parents/guardians may file a report by telephone, in person, or in writing with any appropriate agency identified above under "Reporting Procedures." If a parent/guardian makes a complaint about an employee to any other employee, the employee receiving the information shall notify the parent/guardian of procedures for filing a complaint with the appropriate agency. The employee shall also file a report when obligated to do so pursuant to Penal Code 11166 using the procedures described above for mandated reporters.

In addition, if the child is enrolled in special education, a separate complaint may be filed with the California Department of Education pursuant to 5 CCR 3200-3205.

Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall provide to all new employees who are mandated reporters a statement that informs them of their status as mandated reporters, their reporting obligations under Penal Code 11166, and their confidentiality rights under Penal Code 11167. Additionally, the district shall provide these new employees with a copy of Penal Code 11165.7, 11166, and 11167. (Penal Code 11165.7, 11166.5)

Before beginning employment, any person who will be a mandated reporter by virtue of the person's position shall sign a statement indicating knowledge of the reporting obligations under Penal Code 11166 and compliance with such provisions. The signed statement shall be retained by the Superintendent or designee. (Penal Code 11166.5)

Employees who work with dependent adults shall be notified of legal responsibilities and reporting procedures pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 15630-15637.

The Superintendent or designee also shall notify all employees that:

1. A mandated reporter who reports a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect shall not be held civilly or criminally liable for making a report and this immunity shall apply even if the mandated reporter acquired the knowledge or reasonable suspicion of child abuse or neglect outside of the mandated reporter's professional capacity or outside the scope of employment (Penal Code 11172)

Any other person making a report shall not incur civil or criminal liability unless it can be proven that the person knowingly made a false report or made a report with reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the report. (Penal Code 11172)

2. If a mandated reporter fails to timely report an incident of known or reasonably suspected child abuse or neglect, the mandated reporter may be guilty of a crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment (Penal Code 11166)

No employee shall be subject to any sanction by the district for making a report unless it can be shown that the employee knowingly made a false report or made a report with reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the report. (Penal Code 11166, 11172)

(B) Disaster Procedures (EC 35295-35297; GC 8607 and 3100)

Disaster Plan

Our disaster plan is outlined in detail in Appendix C-F.

Adaptations for Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities will remain with their current teacher and/or Instructional Aide. The Special Education Director will determine if an additional staff member needs to be assigned to an individual student.

Public Agency Use of School Buildings for Emergency Shelters

Public agency use of the school site will be determined by the Superintendent or a board member on a case-by-case basis.

(C) School Suspension, Expulsion and Mandatory Expulsion Guidelines

Regulation 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion Due Process

Definitions

Suspension means removal of a student from ongoing instruction for adjustment purposes. However, suspension does not mean any of the following: (Education Code 48925)

1. Reassignment to another education program or class at the same school where the student will receive continuing instruction for the length of day prescribed by the Governing Board for students of the same grade level

2. Referral to a certificated employee designated by the principal to advise students
3. Removal from the class, but without reassignment to another class or program, for the remainder of the class period without sending the student to the principal or designee as provided in Education Code 48910, so long as removal from a particular class does not occur more than once every five school days

Expulsion means removal of a student from the immediate supervision and control or the general supervision of school personnel. (Education Code 48925)

Notice of Regulations

At the beginning of each school year, the principal of each school shall ensure that all students and parents/guardians are notified in writing of all school rules related to discipline, including suspension and expulsion. (Education Code 35291, 48900.1, 48980)

Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12

Acts for which a student, including a student with disabilities, may be suspended or expelled shall be only those specified as follows and in "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12," below:

1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person; willfully used force or violence upon another person, except in self-defense; or committed as an aider or abettor, as adjudged by a juvenile court, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great or serious bodily injury (Education Code 48900(a) and (t))
2. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, with the principal or designee's concurrence (Education Code 48900(b))
3. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, otherwise furnished, or was under the influence of any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code 11053-11059, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind (Education Code 48900(c))
4. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code 11053-11059, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind, and then sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the same as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant (Education Code 48900(d))
5. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion (Education Code 48900(e))
6. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property (Education Code 48900(f))
7. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property (Education Code 48900(g))
8. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including, but not limited to, cigars, cigarettes, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets, and betel, except that this restriction shall not prohibit a student from using or possessing prescription products (Education Code 48900(h))
9. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity (Education Code 48900(i))
10. Unlawfully possessed, offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Health and Safety Code 11014.5 (Education Code 48900(j))
11. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property (Education Code 48900(l))
12. Possessed an imitation firearm (Education Code 48900(m))
Imitation firearm means a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm. (Education Code 48900(m))
13. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Penal Code 261, 266c, 286, 287, 288, 289, or former 288a, or committed a sexual battery as defined in Penal Code 243.4 (Education Code 48900(n))
14. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a student who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of preventing that student from being a witness and/or retaliating against that student for being a witness (Education Code 48900(o))
15. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma (Education Code 48900(p))
16. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing (Education Code 48900(q))
Hazing means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective student. Hazing does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events. (Education Code 48900(q))
17. Engaged in an act of bullying (Education Code 48900(r))

Bullying means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of

an electronic act, directed toward one or more students that has or can reasonably be predicted to have the effect of placing a reasonable student(s) in fear of harm to self or property; cause the student to experience a substantially detrimental effect on physical or mental health; or cause the student to experience substantial interferences with academic performance or ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by a school. (Education Code 48900(r))

Bullying includes any act of sexual harassment, hate violence, or harassment, threat, or intimidation, as defined in Education Code 48900.2, 48900.3, or 48900.4 and below in "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12," that has any of the effects described above on a reasonable student.

Bullying also includes an act of cyber sexual bullying by a student through the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording that depicts a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of an identifiable minor, when such dissemination is to another student or to school personnel by means of an electronic act and has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects of bullying described above. Cyber sexual bullying does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or school-sanctioned activities.

Electronic act means the creation or transmission originated on or off the school site by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of a communication including, but not limited to: (Education Code 48900(r))

a. A message, text, sound, video, or image

b. A post on a social network Internet website, including, but not limited to, posting to or creating a burn page or creating a credible impersonation or false profile for the purpose of causing a reasonable student any of the effects of bullying described above

Reasonable student means a student, including, but not limited to, a student who has been identified as a student with a disability, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of the student's age, or for a person of the student's age and disability. (Education Code 48900(r))

Burn page means an internet website created for the purpose of causing a reasonable student any of the effects of bullying described above. (Education Code 48900(r))

Credible impersonation means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a student for the purpose of bullying the student and such that the student would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the student was or is the student who was impersonated. (Education Code 48900(r))

False profile means a profile of a fictitious student or profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual student other than the student who created the false profile. (Education Code 48900(r))

An electronic act is not considered pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted to the internet or is currently posted on the internet. (Education Code 48900(r))

When a student has been suspended, or other means of correction have been implemented against the student, for an incident of racist bullying, harassment, or intimidation, the principal or designee may, as appropriate, engage both the victim and perpetrator in a restorative justice practice suitable to the needs of the students. The principal or designee shall also require the perpetrator to engage in a culturally sensitive program that promotes racial justice and equity and combats racism and ignorance and shall regularly check on the victim to ensure that the victim is not in danger of suffering from any long-lasting mental health issues. (Education Code 48900.5)

18. Aided or abetted the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury on another person, as defined in Penal Code 31 (Education Code 48900(t))

19. Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property (Education Code 48900.7)

A terrorist threat includes any written or oral statement by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death or great bodily injury to another person or property damage in excess of \$1,000, with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying out the crime. (Education Code 48900.7)

A student may not be suspended or expelled for disruption or willful defiance. (Education Code 48900)

Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12

A student in grades 4-12 shall be subject to suspension or recommendation for expulsion when it is determined that the student:

1. Committed sexual harassment as defined in Education Code 212.5 (Education Code 48900.2)

Sexual harassment means conduct which, when considered from the perspective of a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim, is sufficiently severe or pervasive as to have a negative impact upon the victim's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. (Education Code 212.5, 48900.2)

2. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence as defined in Education Code 233 (Education Code 48900.3)

Hate violence means any act punishable under Penal Code 422.6, 422.7, or 422.75. Such acts include injuring or intimidating a victim, interfering with the exercise of a victim's civil rights, or damaging a victim's property because of the victim's race, ethnicity, religion, nationality, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation; a perception of the presence of any of those characteristics in the victim; or the victim's association with a person or group with one or more of those actual or perceived characteristics. (Education Code 233; Penal Code 422.55)

3. Intentionally engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against district personnel or students that is sufficiently severe or pervasive to have the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting classwork, creating substantial disorder, and invading the rights of school personnel or students by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment (Education Code 48900.4)

Suspension from Class by a Teacher

A teacher may suspend a student from class for the remainder of the day and the following day for any of the acts specified in Education Code 48900 and listed as Items #1-19 under "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12" above or for disruption or willful defiance at any grade level. (Education Code 48910)

When suspending a student from class, the teacher shall immediately report this action to the principal or designee and send the student to the principal or designee for appropriate action. If that action requires the continuing presence of the student at school, the student shall be appropriately supervised during the class periods from which the student has been suspended. (Education Code 48910)

As soon as possible after the teacher has suspended the student, the teacher shall ask the student's parent/guardian to attend a parent-teacher conference regarding the suspension. A counselor or psychologist may attend the conference if it is practicable, and a school administrator shall attend if requested by the parent/guardian or teacher. (Education Code 48910)

A student suspended from class shall not be returned to class during the period of the suspension without the approval of the teacher of the class and the principal or designee. (Education Code 48910)

A student suspended from class shall not be placed in another regular class during the period of suspension. However, a student assigned to more than one class per day may continue to attend other regular classes except those held at the same time as the class from which the student was suspended. (Education Code 48910)

A teacher may also refer a student, for any of the acts specified above in Education Code 48900, to the principal or designee for consideration of a suspension from school. (Education Code 48910)

The teacher of any class from which a student is suspended may require the student to complete any assignments and tests missed during the removal. (Education Code 48913)

Suspension by Superintendent, Principal or Principal's Designee

To implement disciplinary procedures at a school site, the principal may, in writing, designate as the principal's designee another administrator or, if the principal is the only administrator at the school site, a certificated employee. As necessary, the principal may, in writing, also designate another administrator or certificated employee as the secondary designee to assist with disciplinary procedures when the principal and the principal's primary designee are absent from the school site.

The Superintendent, principal, or designee shall immediately suspend any student found at school or at a school activity away from school to have committed any of the acts listed in the Board policy under "Authority to Expel" for which a recommendation of expulsion is required. (Education Code 48915(c))

The Superintendent, principal, or designee may impose a suspension for a first offense if it is determined that the student violated any of Items #1-5 listed under "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12" above or if the student's presence causes a danger to persons. (Education Code 48900.5)

For all other offenses, a student may be suspended only when the Superintendent or principal has determined that other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct. (Education Code 48900.5)

When other means of correction are implemented prior to imposing suspension upon a student, including supervised suspension, the Superintendent, principal, or designee shall document the other means of correction used and retain the documentation in the student's record. (Education Code 48900.5)

Length of Suspension

The Superintendent, principal, or designee may suspend a student from school for not more than five consecutive school days. (Education Code 48911)

A student may be suspended from school for not more than 20 school days in any school year. However, if a student enrolls in or is transferred to another regular school, an opportunity school or class, or continuation school or class for the purpose of adjustment, the student may be suspended for not more than 30 school days in a school year. The district may count suspensions that occur while a student is enrolled in another school district toward the maximum number of days for which the student may be suspended in any school year. (Education Code 48903, 48911, 48912)

These restrictions on the number of days of suspension shall not apply when the suspension is extended pending an expulsion. (Education Code 48911)

Due Process Procedures for Suspension

Suspensions shall be imposed in accordance with the following procedures:

1. **Informal Conference:** Suspension shall be preceded by an informal conference conducted by the Superintendent, principal, or designee with the student and, whenever practicable, the teacher, supervisor, or school employee who referred the student to the principal. At the conference, the student shall be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action, including the other means of correction that were attempted before the suspension as required pursuant to Education Code 48900.5, and the evidence against the student, and shall be given the opportunity to present the student's version and evidence in the student's defense. (Education Code 48911)

This conference may be omitted if the Superintendent, principal, or designee determines that an emergency situation exists involving a clear and present danger to the lives, safety, or health of students or school personnel. If a student is suspended without this conference, the student, the student's parent/guardian, or if the student is a foster youth, the foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or if the student is an Indian child, the Indian child's tribal social worker and, if applicable, county social worker, shall be notified of the student's right to a conference and the right to return to school for the purpose of the conference. The conference shall be held within two school days, unless the student waives the right to it or is physically unable to attend for any reason. In such a case, the conference shall be held as soon as the student is physically able to return to school for the conference. (Education Code 48911)

2. **Administrative Actions:** All requests for student suspension are to be processed by the principal or designee. A school employee shall report the suspension, including the name of the student and the cause for the suspension, to the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 48911)

3. **Notice to Parents/Guardians:** At the time of the suspension, a school employee shall make a reasonable effort to contact the parent/guardian, or if the student is a foster youth, the foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or if the student is an Indian child, the Indian child's tribal social worker, and, if applicable, the county social worker, in person, by email, or by telephone. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian, or, if applicable, the foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or the Indian child's tribal social worker and, if applicable, the county social worker, shall also be notified in writing of the suspension. (Education Code 48911)

This notice shall state the specific offense committed by the student. (Education Code 48900.8) In addition, the notice shall state the date and time when the student may return to school.

4. **Parent/Guardian Conference:** Whenever a student is suspended, school officials may conduct a meeting with the parent/guardian to discuss the cause(s) and duration of the suspension, the school policy involved, and any other pertinent matter. (Education Code 48914)

If school officials request to meet with the parent/guardian, a foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or an Indian child's tribal social worker, and, if applicable, the county social worker, the notice may state that the law requires such individuals to respond to the request without delay.

However, the student shall not be penalized for the failure of the parent/guardian, a foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or an Indian child's tribal social worker, and, if applicable, the county social worker, to attend such a conference. The student may not be denied reinstatement solely because such individuals failed to attend the conference. (Education Code 48911)

5. **Extension of Suspension:** If the Board is considering the expulsion of a suspended student from any school or the suspension of a student for the balance of the semester from continuation school, the Superintendent or designee may, in writing, extend the suspension until such time as the Board has made a decision, provided the following requirements are followed: (Education Code 48911)

a. The extension of the original period of suspension is preceded by notice of such extension with an offer to hold a conference concerning the extension, giving the student an opportunity to be heard

This conference may be held in conjunction with a meeting requested by the student or parent/guardian to challenge the original suspension.

b. The Superintendent or designee determines, following a meeting in which the student and the student's parent/guardian were invited to participate, that the student's presence at the school or at an alternative school would endanger persons or property or

threaten to disrupt the instructional process

- c. If the student involved is a foster youth or Indian child, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the district's educational liaison of the need to invite the foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney and county social worker, or the Indian child's tribal social worker or, if applicable, the county social worker, to attend the meeting (Education Code 48853.5, 48911, 48918.1)
- d. If the student involved is a child or youth experiencing homelessness, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the district liaison for homeless students (Education Code 48918.1)
- e. In lieu of or in addition to suspending a student, the Superintendent, principal, or designee may provide services or require the student to participate in an alternative disciplinary program designed to correct the behavior and keep the student in school

Suspension by the Board

The Board may suspend a student for any of the acts listed under "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K- 12," and "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12," above and within the limits specified under "Suspension by Superintendent, Principal, or Designee," above. (Education Code 48912)

The Board may suspend a student enrolled in a continuation school or class for a period not longer than the remainder of the semester. The suspension shall meet the requirements of Education Code 48915. (Education Code 48912.5)

When the Board is considering a suspension, disciplinary action, or any other action (except expulsion) against any student, it shall hold a closed session if a public hearing would lead to disclosure of information that would violate a student's right to privacy under Education Code 49073-49079. (Education Code 35146, 48912)

The Board shall provide the student and parent/guardian with written notice of the closed session by registered or certified mail or personal service. Upon receiving this notice, the student or parent/guardian may request a public meeting, and this request shall be granted if made in writing within 48 hours after receipt of the Board's notice.

However, any discussion that conflicts with any other student's right to privacy still shall be held in closed session. (Education Code 35146, 48912)

On-Campus Suspension

A student for whom an expulsion action has not been initiated and who poses no imminent danger or threat to the school, students, or staff may be assigned to on-campus suspension in a separate classroom, building, or site for the entire period of suspension. The following conditions shall apply: (Education Code 48911.1)

1. The on-campus suspension classroom shall be staffed in accordance with law
 2. The student shall have access to appropriate counseling services
 3. The on-campus suspension classroom shall promote completion of schoolwork and tests missed by the student during the suspension
 4. The student shall be responsible for contacting the student's teacher(s) to receive assignments to be completed in the supervised suspension classroom and the teacher(s) shall provide all assignments and tests that the student will miss while suspended. If no such work is assigned, the person supervising the suspension classroom shall assign schoolwork.
- At the time a student is assigned to an on-campus suspension classroom, the principal or designee shall notify the student's parent/guardian, or if the student is a foster youth, the foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or, if the student is an Indian child, the Indian child's tribal social worker and, if applicable, county social worker, in person, by email, or by telephone. When the assignment is for longer than one class period, this notification shall be made in writing. (Education Code 48911.1)

Superintendent or Principal's Authority to Recommend Expulsion

Unless the Superintendent or principal determines that expulsion should not be recommended under the circumstances or that an alternative means of correction would address the conduct, the Superintendent or principal shall recommend a student's expulsion for any of the following acts: (Education Code 48915)

1. Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense
2. Possession of any knife or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the student
3. Unlawful possession of any controlled substance as listed in Health and Safety Code 11053-11059, except for:
 - a. The first offense for the possession of not more than one ounce of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis
 - b. The student's possession of over-the-counter medication for use by the student for medical purposes
 - c. Medication prescribed for the student by a physician
4. Robbery or extortion
5. Assault or battery, as defined in Penal Code 240 and 242, upon any school employee

In determining whether to recommend the expulsion of a student, the Superintendent, principal, or designee shall act as quickly as possible to ensure that the student does not lose instructional time. (Education Code 48915)

Student's Right to Expulsion Hearing

Any student recommended for expulsion shall be entitled to a hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled. The hearing shall be held within 30 school days after the Superintendent, principal, or designee determines that the student has committed the act(s) that form the basis for the expulsion recommendation. (Education Code 48918(a))

The student is entitled to at least one postponement of an expulsion hearing for a period of not more than 30 calendar days. The request for postponement shall be in writing. Any subsequent postponement may be granted at the Board's discretion. (Education Code 48918(a))

If the Board finds it impractical during the regular school year to comply with these time requirements for conducting an expulsion hearing, the Superintendent or designee may, for good cause, extend the time period by an additional five school days. Reasons for the extension shall be included as a part of the record when the expulsion hearing is held. (Education Code 48918(a))

If the Board finds it impractical to comply with the time requirements of the expulsion hearing due to a summer recess of Board meetings of more than two weeks, the days during the recess shall not be counted as school days. The days not counted during the recess may not exceed 20 school days, as defined in Education Code 48925. Unless

the student requests in writing that the expulsion hearing be postponed, the hearing shall be held not later than 20 calendar days prior to the first day of the next school year. (Education Code 48918(a))

Once the hearing starts, all matters shall be pursued with reasonable diligence and concluded without unnecessary delay. (Education Code 48918(a))

Stipulated Expulsion

After a determination that a student has committed an offense for which the student may be expelled, the Superintendent, principal, or designee shall offer the student, the student's parent/guardian, or, when applicable, other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, the option to waive a hearing and stipulate to the expulsion or to a suspension of the expulsion under certain conditions. The offer shall be made only after written notice of the expulsion hearing pursuant to Education Code 48918 has been given.

The stipulation agreement shall be in writing and shall be signed by the student, the student's parent/guardian, or, when applicable, the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student. The stipulation agreement shall include notice of all the rights that the student is waiving, including the waiving of the right to have a full hearing, to appeal the expulsion to the County Board of Education, and to consult legal counsel.

A stipulated expulsion agreed to by the student, the student's parent/guardian, or, when applicable, the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, shall be effective upon approval by the Board.

Rights of Complaining Witness

An expulsion hearing involving allegations of sexual assault or sexual battery may be postponed for one school day in order to accommodate the special physical, mental, or emotional needs of a student who is the complaining witness. (Education Code 48918.5)

Whenever the Superintendent or designee recommends an expulsion hearing that addresses allegations of sexual assault or sexual battery, the Superintendent or designee shall give the complaining witness a copy of the district's suspension and expulsion policy and regulation and shall advise the witness of the right to: (Education Code 48918.5)

1. Receive five days' notice of the scheduled testimony at the hearing
2. Have up to two adult support persons present at the hearing at the time the witness testifies
3. Have a closed hearing during the time the witness testifies

Whenever any allegation of sexual assault or sexual battery is made, the Superintendent or designee shall immediately advise complaining witnesses and accused students to refrain from personal or telephone contact with each other during the time when an expulsion process is pending. (Education Code 48918.5)

Written Notice of the Expulsion Hearing

Written notice of the expulsion hearing shall be forwarded to the student and the student's parent/guardian at least 10 calendar days before the date of the hearing. The notice shall include: (Education Code 48900.8, 48918(b))

1. The date and place of the hearing
2. A statement of the specific facts, charges, and offense upon which the proposed expulsion is based
3. A copy of district disciplinary rules which relate to the alleged violation
4. Notification of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation, pursuant to Education Code 48915.1, to provide information about the student's status in the district to any other district in which the student seeks enrollment
This obligation applies when a student is expelled for acts other than those described in Education Code 48915(a) or (c).
5. The opportunity for the student or the student's parent/guardian to appear in person or be represented by legal counsel or by a nonattorney adviser
Legal counsel means an attorney or lawyer who is admitted to the practice of law in California and is an active member of the State Bar of California.
Nonattorney adviser means an individual who is not an attorney or lawyer, but who is familiar with the facts of the case and has been selected by the student or student's parent/guardian to provide assistance at the hearing.
6. The right to inspect and obtain copies of all documents to be used at the hearing
7. The opportunity to confront and question all witnesses who testify at the hearing
8. The opportunity to question all evidence presented and to present oral and documentary evidence on the student's behalf, including witnesses

Additional Notice of Expulsion Hearing for Foster Youth, Homeless Students, and Indian Children

If the student facing expulsion is a foster student or Indian child, the Superintendent or designee shall also send notice of the hearing to the foster youth's educational rights holder, attorney, and county social worker, or the Indian child's tribal social worker and, if applicable, county social worker, at least 10 calendar days prior to the hearing. (Education Code 48918.1)

If the student facing expulsion is a student experiencing homelessness, the Superintendent or designee shall also send notice of the hearing to the district liaison for homeless students at least 10 calendar days prior to the hearing. (Education Code 48918.1)

Any notice for these purposes may be provided by the most cost-effective method possible, including by email or a telephone call. (Education Code 48918.1)

Conduct of Expulsion Hearing

1. Closed Session: Notwithstanding Education Code 35145, the Board shall conduct a hearing to consider the expulsion of the student in a session closed to the public unless the student requests in writing at least five days prior to the hearing that the hearing be a public meeting. If such a request is made, the meeting shall be public to the extent that privacy rights of other students are not violated. (Education Code 48918)

Whether the expulsion hearing is held in closed or public session, the Board may meet in closed session to deliberate and determine whether the student should be expelled. If the Board admits any other person to this closed session, the parent/guardian, the student, and the counsel of the student also shall be allowed to attend the closed session. (Education Code 48918(c))

If a hearing that involves a charge of sexual assault or sexual battery is to be conducted in public, a complaining witness shall have the right to testify in closed session when testifying in public would threaten serious psychological harm to the witness and when there are no alternative procedures to avoid the threatened harm, including, but not limited to, a videotaped deposition or contemporaneous examination in another place communicated to the hearing room by closed-circuit television. (Education Code 48918(c))

2. Record of Hearing: A record of the hearing shall be made and may be maintained by any means, including electronic recording, as long as a reasonably accurate and complete written transcription of the proceedings can be made. (Education Code 48918(g))

3. Subpoenas: Before commencing a student expulsion hearing, the Board may issue subpoenas, at the request of either the student or the Superintendent or designee, for the personal appearance at the hearing of any person who actually witnessed the action that gave rise to the recommendation for expulsion. After the hearing has commenced, the Board or the hearing officer or administrative panel may issue such subpoenas at the request of the student or the County Superintendent of Schools or designee. All subpoenas shall be issued in

accordance with Code of Civil Procedure 1985-1985.2 and enforced in accordance with Government Code 11455.20. (Education Code 48918(i))

Any objection raised by the student or the Superintendent or designee to the issuance of subpoenas may be considered by the Board in closed session, or in open session if so requested by the student, before the meeting. The Board's decision in response to such an objection shall be final and binding. (Education Code 48918(i))

If the Board determines, or if the hearing officer or administrative panel finds and submits to the Board, that a witness would be

subject to unreasonable risk of harm by testifying at the hearing, a subpoena shall not be issued to compel the personal attendance of that witness at the hearing. However, that witness may be compelled to testify by means of a sworn declaration as described in Item #6 below. (Education Code 48918(i))

4. Presentation of Evidence: Technical rules of evidence shall not apply to the expulsion hearing, but relevant evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. The decision of the Board to expel shall be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed any of the acts pursuant to Education Code 48900 and listed in "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12," and "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4- 12," above. (Education Code 48918(h))

Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. Although no finding shall be based solely on hearsay, sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses whose disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm. (Education Code 48918(f))

In cases where a search of a student's person or property has occurred, evidence describing the reasonableness of the search shall be included in the hearing record.

5. Testimony by Complaining Witnesses: The following procedures shall be observed when a hearing involves allegations of sexual assault or sexual battery by a student: (Education Code 48918, 48918.5)

a. Any complaining witness shall be given five days' notice before being called to testify

b. Any complaining witness shall be entitled to have up to two adult support persons, including, but not limited to, a parent/guardian or legal counsel, present during the testimony

c. Before a complaining witness testifies, support persons shall be admonished that the hearing is confidential

d. The person presiding over the hearing may remove a support person who is disrupting the hearing

e. If one or both support persons are also witnesses, the hearing shall be conducted in accordance with Penal Code 868.5

f. Evidence of specific instances of prior sexual conduct of a complaining witness shall be presumed inadmissible and shall not be heard unless the person conducting the hearing determines that extraordinary circumstances require the evidence to be heard. Before such a determination is made, the complaining witness shall be given notice and an opportunity to oppose the introduction of this evidence. In the hearing on the admissibility of this evidence, the complaining witness shall be entitled to be represented by a parent/guardian, legal counsel, or other support person. Reputation or opinion evidence regarding the sexual behavior of a complaining witness shall not be admissible for any purpose.

g. In order to facilitate a free and accurate statement of the experiences of the complaining witness and to prevent discouragement of complaints, the district shall provide a nonthreatening environment

i. The district shall provide a room separate from the hearing room for the use of the complaining witness before and during breaks in testimony

ii. At the discretion of the person conducting the hearing, the complaining witness shall be allowed reasonable periods of relief from examination and cross-examination during which the complaining witness may leave the hearing room

iii. The person conducting the hearing may:

a. Arrange the seating within the hearing room so as to facilitate a less intimidating environment for the complaining witness

b. Limit the time for taking the testimony of a complaining witness to normal school hours, if there is no good cause to take the testimony during other hours

c. (Permit one of the support persons to accompany the complaining witness to the witness stand

6. Decision: The Board's decision as to whether to expel a student shall be made within 40 school days after the student is removed from school, unless the student requests in writing that the decision be postponed. (Education Code 48918(a))

Alternative Expulsion Hearing: Hearing Officer or Administrative Panel

Instead of conducting an expulsion hearing itself, the Board may contract with the county hearing officer or with the Office of Administrative Hearings of the State of California for a hearing officer. The Board may also appoint an impartial administrative panel composed of three or more certificated personnel, none of whom shall be members of the Board or on the staff of the school in which the student is enrolled. (Education Code 48918)

A hearing conducted by the hearing officer or administrative panel shall conform to the same procedures applicable to a hearing conducted by the Board as specified above in "Conduct of Expulsion Hearing," including the requirement to issue a decision within 40 school days of the student's removal from school, unless the student requests that the decision be postponed. (Education Code 48918(a) and (d))

The hearing officer or administrative panel shall, within three school days after the hearing, determine whether to recommend

expulsion of the student to the Board. If expulsion is not recommended, the expulsion proceeding shall be terminated and the student shall be immediately reinstated and permitted to return to the classroom instructional program from which the referral was made, unless another placement is requested in writing by the student's parent/guardian. Before the student's placement decision is made by the student's parent/guardian, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with the parent/guardian and district staff, including the student's teachers, regarding other placement options for the student in addition to the option to return to the classroom instructional program from which the student's expulsion referral was made. The decision to not recommend expulsion shall be final. (Education Code 48918(e))

If expulsion is recommended, findings of fact in support of the recommendation shall be prepared and submitted to the Board. All findings of fact and recommendations shall be based solely on the evidence presented at the hearing. The Board may accept the recommendation based either upon a review of the findings of fact and recommendations submitted or upon the results of any supplementary hearing the Board may order. (Education Code 48918(f))

In accordance with Board policy, the hearing officer or administrative panel may recommend that the Board suspend the enforcement of the expulsion. If the hearing officer or administrative panel recommends that the Board expel a student but suspend the enforcement of the expulsion, the student shall not be reinstated and permitted to return to the classroom instructional program from which the referral was made until the Board has ruled on the recommendation. (Education Code 48917, 48918)

Final Action by the Board

Whether the expulsion hearing is conducted in closed or open session by the Board, a hearing officer, or an administrative panel or is waived through the signing of a stipulated expulsion agreement, the final action to expel shall be taken by the Board in public. (Education Code 48918(j))

The Board's decision is final. If the decision is to not expel, the student shall be reinstated immediately. If the decision is to suspend the enforcement of the expulsion, the student shall be reinstated under the conditions of the suspended expulsion.

Upon ordering an expulsion, the Board shall set a date when the student shall be reviewed for readmission to a school within the district. For a student expelled for any "mandatory recommendation and mandatory expulsion" act listed in "Authority to Expel" in the accompanying Board policy, this date shall be one year from the date the expulsion occurred, except that the Board may set an earlier date on a case-by-case basis. For a student expelled for other acts, this date shall be no later than the last day of the semester following the semester in which the expulsion occurred. If an expulsion is ordered during summer session or the intersession period of a year-round program, the Board shall set a date when the student shall be reviewed for readmission not later than the last day of the semester following the summer session or intersession period in which the expulsion occurred. (Education Code 48916)

At the time of the expulsion order, the Board shall recommend a plan for the student's rehabilitation, which may include: (Education Code 48916)

1. Periodic review, as well as assessment at the time of review, for readmission
2. Recommendations for improved academic performance, tutoring, special education assessments, job training, counseling, employment, community service, or other rehabilitative programs

With parent/guardian consent, students who have been expelled for reasons relating to controlled substances or alcohol may be required to enroll in a county-sponsored drug rehabilitation program before returning to school. (Education Code 48916.5)

Written Notice to Expel

The Superintendent or designee shall send written notice of the decision to expel to the student or parent/guardian. This notice shall include the following:

1. The specific offense committed by the student for any of the causes for suspension or expulsion listed above under "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12" or "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12" (Education Code 48900.8)
2. The fact that a description of readmission procedures will be made available to the student and parent/guardian (Education Code 48916)
3. Notice of the right to appeal the expulsion to the County Board (Education Code 48918)
4. Notice of the alternative educational placement to be provided to the student during the time of expulsion (Education Code 48918)
5. Notice of the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with the expelling district, pursuant to Education Code 48915.1 (Education Code 48918)

Decision to Suspend Expulsion Order

In accordance with Board policy, when deciding whether to suspend the enforcement of an expulsion order, the Board shall take into account the following criteria:

1. The student's pattern of behavior
 2. The seriousness of the misconduct
 3. The student's attitude toward the misconduct and willingness to follow a rehabilitation program
- The suspension of the enforcement of an expulsion shall be governed by the following:

1. The Board may, as a condition of the suspension of enforcement, assign the student to a school, class, or program appropriate for the student's rehabilitation

This rehabilitation program may provide for the involvement of the student's parent/guardian in the student's education. However, a parent/guardian's refusal to participate in the rehabilitation program shall not be considered in the Board's determination as to whether the student has satisfactorily completed the rehabilitation program. (Education Code 48917)

2. During the period when enforcement of the expulsion order is suspended, the student shall be on probationary status (Education Code 48917)

3. The suspension of the enforcement of an expulsion order may be revoked by the Board if the student commits any of the acts listed under "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12" or "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12" above, or violates any of the district's rules and regulations governing student conduct (Education Code 48917)

4. When the suspension of enforcement of an expulsion order is revoked, a student may be expelled under the terms of the original expulsion order (Education Code 48917)

5. Upon satisfactory completion of the rehabilitation assignment, the Board shall reinstate the student in a district school. Upon reinstatement, the Board may order the expunging of any or all records of the expulsion proceedings. (Education Code 48917)

6. The Superintendent or designee shall send written notice of any decision to suspend the enforcement of an expulsion order during a period of probation to the student or parent/guardian

The notice shall inform the parent/guardian of the right to appeal the expulsion to the County Board, the alternative educational placement to be provided to the student during the period of expulsion, and the student's or parent/guardian's obligation to inform any new district in which the student seeks to enroll of the student's status with the expelling district, pursuant to Education Code 48915.1(b). (Education Code 48918(j))

7. Suspension of the enforcement of an expulsion order shall not affect the time period and requirements for the filing of an appeal of the expulsion order with the County Board (Education Code 48917)

Appeal

If a student is expelled from school, the student or parent/guardian is entitled to file an appeal of the Board's decision with the County Board. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the Board's decision to expel, even if the expulsion order is suspended and the student is placed on probation. (Education Code 48919)

If the student submits a written request for a copy of the written transcripts and supporting documents from the district simultaneously with the filing of the notice of appeal with the County Board, the district shall provide the student with these documents within 10 school days following the student's written request. (Education Code 48919)

Notification to Law Enforcement Authorities

Prior to the suspension or expulsion of any student, the principal or designee shall notify appropriate city or county law enforcement authorities of any student acts of assault which may have violated Penal Code 245. (Education Code 48902)

The principal or designee shall notify appropriate city or county law enforcement authorities of any student acts which may involve the possession or sale of narcotics or of a controlled substance, or of any student acts involving the possession, sale, or furnishing of firearms, explosives, or other dangerous weapons in violation of Education Code 48915(c)(1) or (5) or Penal Code 626.9 and 626.10. (Education Code 48902)

Within one school day after a student's suspension or expulsion, the principal or designee shall notify appropriate county or district law enforcement authorities, by telephone or other appropriate means, of any student acts which may violate Education Code 48900(c) or (d), relating to the possession, use, offering, or sale of controlled substances, alcohol, or intoxicants of any kind. (Education Code 48902)

Placement During Expulsion

The Board shall refer expelled students to a program of study that is: (Education Code 48915, 48915.01)

1. Appropriately prepared to accommodate students who exhibit discipline problems
2. Not provided at a comprehensive middle, junior, or senior high school or at any elementary school, unless the program is offered

at a community day school established at any of these

3. Not housed at the school site attended by the student at the time of suspension

When the placement described above is not available and when the County Superintendent so certifies, students expelled for only acts described in Items #6-12 under "Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades K-12" and Items #1-3 under "Additional Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion: Grades 4-12" above may be referred to a program of study that is provided at another comprehensive middle, junior, or senior high school or at an elementary school. (Education Code 48915)

The program for a student expelled from any of grades K-6 shall not be combined or merged with programs offered to students in any of grades 7-12. (Education Code 48916.1)

Readmission After Expulsion

Prior to the date set by the Board for the student's readmission:

1. The Superintendent or designee shall hold a conference with the student's parent/guardian, or other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, and the student

At the conference, the student's rehabilitation plan shall be reviewed and the Superintendent or designee shall verify that the provisions of this plan have been met. School regulations shall be reviewed and the student and the student's parent/guardian or other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student shall be asked to indicate in writing their willingness to comply with these regulations.

2. The Superintendent or designee shall transmit to the Board a recommendation regarding readmission

The Board shall consider this recommendation in closed session. If a written request for open session is received from the student's parent/guardian or other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, or adult student, it shall be honored to the extent that privacy rights of other students are not violated.

3. If the readmission is granted, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the student and the student's parent/guardian, or other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, by registered mail, of the Board's decision regarding readmission

4. The Board may deny readmission only if it finds that the student has not satisfied the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or that the student continues to pose a danger to campus safety or to other district students or employees (Education Code 48916)

5. If the Board denies the readmission of a student, the Board shall determine either to continue the student's placement in the alternative educational program initially selected or to place the student in another program that serves expelled students, including placement in a county community school

6. The Board shall provide written notice to the expelled student and the student's parent/guardian, or other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, describing the reasons for denying readmittance into the regular program

This notice shall indicate the Board's determination of the educational program which the Board has chosen. The student shall enroll in that program unless the parent/guardian chooses to enroll the student in another school district.

No student shall be denied readmission into the district based solely on the student's arrest, adjudication by a juvenile court, formal or informal supervision by a probation officer, detention in a juvenile facility, enrollment in a juvenile court school, or other such contact with the juvenile justice system. (Education Code 48645.5)

Maintenance of Records

The district shall maintain a record of each suspension and expulsion, including its specific cause(s). (Education Code 48900.8)

Expulsion records of any student shall be maintained in the student's mandatory interim record and sent to any school in which the student subsequently enrolls upon written request by that school. (Education Code 48918(k))

The Superintendent or designee shall, within five working days, honor any other district's request for information about an expulsion from this district. (Education Code 48915.1)

(D) Procedures to Notify Teachers of Dangerous Pupils (EC 49079)

We are a small school with a very low suspension rate and no expulsions. At the beginning of the year, a report of the prior years' suspensions and expulsion is put in each teacher's mailbox.

(E) Sexual Harassment Policies (EC 212.6 [b])

Regulation 5145.7 Sexual Harassment

Definitions

Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination and means sexual harassment and other harassment on the basis of one, or a combination of two or more protected characteristics, which include, but may not be limited to, sex; gender; gender identity; gender expression; sexual orientation; sex stereotypes; pregnancy, false pregnancy, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, or related conditions or recovery; and parental, marital, and family status. (Education Code 200, 210.2, 220, 221.51, 230, 260; Government Code 11135; 20 USC 1681-1688)

Sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, unwanted requests for sexual favors, or other unwanted verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature made against another person of the same or opposite sex in the educational setting, under any of the following conditions: (Education Code 212.5; 5 CCR 4916)

1. Submission to the conduct is explicitly or implicitly made a term or condition of a student's academic status or progress
2. Submission to or rejection of the conduct by a student is used as the basis for academic decisions affecting the student
3. The conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact on the student's academic performance or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment
4. Submission to or rejection of the conduct by the student is used as the basis for any decision affecting the student regarding benefits and services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through any district program or activity

Any prohibited conduct that occurs off campus or outside of district-related or district-sponsored programs or activities will be regarded as sexual harassment in violation of district policy if it has a continuing effect on or creates a hostile school environment for the complainant or victim of the conduct.

For purposes of applying the complaint procedures specified in Title IX, sexual harassment is defined as any of the following forms of conduct that occurs in an education program or activity in which a district school exercises substantial control over the context and respondent: (34 CFR 106.30, 106.44)

1. A district employee conditioning the provision of a district aid, benefit, or service on the student's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct
2. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a student equal access to the district's education program or activity
3. Sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking as defined in 20 USC 1092 or 34 USC 12291

Title IX Coordinator/Compliance Officer

The district designates the following individual as the responsible employee to coordinate its efforts to comply with Title IX. The individual shall also serve as the Compliance Officer specified in Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures and Administrative Regulation 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment as the responsible employee to handle student complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, as permitted by law. The Title IX Coordinator may be contacted at:

Superintendent

4949 Foxen Canyon Rd., Santa Maria, CA 93454 805-937-1148
dbrown@blochmanusd.org

Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and parents/guardians that the district does not discriminate on the basis of sex as required by Title IX and that inquiries about the application of Title IX to the district may be referred to the district's Title IX Coordinator and/or to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education. (34 CFR 106.8)

The district shall notify students and parents/guardians of the name or title, office address, email address, and telephone number of the district's Title IX Coordinator. (34 CFR 106.8)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that a copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and regulation:

1. Is included in the notifications that are sent to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year (Education Code 48980; 5 CCR 4917)
2. Is displayed in a prominent location in the main administrative building or other area where notices of district rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct are posted (Education Code 231.5)
3. Is summarized on a poster, which shall be prominently and conspicuously displayed in each bathroom and locker room at each school

The poster may be displayed in public areas that are accessible to and frequented by students, including, but not limited to, classrooms, hallways, gymnasiums, auditoriums, and cafeterias. The poster shall display the rules and procedures for reporting a charge of sexual harassment; the name, phone number, and email address of an appropriate school employee to contact to report sexual harassment; the rights of the reporting student, the complainant, and the respondent; and the responsibilities of the school. (Education Code 231.6)

4. Is posted, along with the name or title and contact information of the Title IX Coordinator, in a prominent location on the district's website in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/guardians and students (Education Code 234.6; 34 CFR 106.8)
5. Is provided as part of any orientation program conducted for new and continuing students at the time the student is enrolled or at the beginning of each quarter, semester, or summer session (Education Code 231.5)
6. Appears in any school or district publication that sets forth the school's or district's comprehensive rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct (Education Code 231.5)

Reports and Complaints

A student or a student's parent(s)/guardian(s) who believes that the student has been subjected to sexual harassment in a district program or activity or who has witnessed sexual harassment is strongly encouraged to report the incident to the district's Title IX Coordinator, a teacher, the principal, or any other available school employee. Within one workday of receiving such a report, the principal or other school employee shall forward the report to the district's Title IX Coordinator. Any school employee who observes an incident of sexual harassment shall, within one workday, report the observation to the Title IX Coordinator as specified in the accompanying Board policy. The report shall be made regardless of whether the alleged victim files a formal complaint or requests confidentiality.

When a report or complaint of sexual harassment involves off-campus conduct, the Title IX Coordinator shall assess whether the conduct may create or contribute to the creation of a hostile school environment. If the Title IX Coordinator determines that a hostile environment may be created, the complaint shall be investigated and resolved in the same manner as if the prohibited conduct occurred at school.

When a verbal or informal report of sexual harassment is submitted, the Title IX Coordinator shall inform the student or parent/guardian of the right to file a formal written complaint in accordance with applicable district complaint procedures.

All complaints alleging sexual harassment against students in the school setting shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with law and district procedures. The district's Title IX Coordinator shall review the allegations to determine the applicable procedure for responding to the complaint. All complaints that meet the definition of sexual harassment under Title IX shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with Administrative Regulation 5145.71 - Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures. Other sexual harassment complaints shall be investigated and resolved pursuant to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

If sexual harassment is found following an investigation, the Title IX Coordinator, or designee in consultation with the Title IX Coordinator, shall take prompt action to stop the sexual harassment, prevent recurrence, implement remedies, and address any continuing effects.

Regulation 5145.71 Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures

The complaint procedures described in this administrative regulation shall be used to address any complaint governed by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 alleging that a student, while in an education program or activity in which a district school exercises substantial control over the context and respondent, was subjected to one or more of the following forms of sexual harassment: (34 CFR 106.30, 106.44)

1. A district employee conditioning the provision of a district aid, benefit, or service on the student's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct
2. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a student equal access to the district's education program or activity
3. Sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking as defined in 20 USC 1092 or 34 USC 12291

For a complaint governed by Title IX based on conduct that occurred, in whole or in part, between August 1, 2024 and January 9, 2025, or prior to August 14, 2020, the Title IX Coordinator shall consult with district legal counsel to determine which procedures to use.

All other complaints alleging sexual harassment brought by or on behalf of students shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. The determination over which process shall be used to investigate and resolve a complaint shall be made by the district's Title

IX Coordinator.

The Title IX Coordinator shall ensure that all requirements and timelines for Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures are concurrently met while implementing the Title IX procedure.

Basic Requirements

When implementing Title IX grievance procedures, the district shall: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. Treat complainants and respondents equitably by providing remedies to a complainant where a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made against the respondent and by following a grievance process in accordance with 34 CFR 106.45 before the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures, as defined in 34 CFR 106.30, against a respondent

Remedies following a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment shall be designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's education program or activity, and shall be provided in accordance with "Remedies," below.

2. Require an objective evaluation of all relevant evidence, including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence, and provide that credibility determination may not be based on a person's status as complainant, respondent, or witness

3. Ensure that the Title IX Coordinator, investigator, decisionmaker, or any person that facilitates an informal resolution process, does not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or an individual complainant or respondent, and that such individuals receive training in accordance with 34 CFR 106.45

4. Presume that the respondent is not responsible for the alleged conduct until a determination regarding responsibility is made at the conclusion of the grievance process

5. Include reasonably prompt timeframes for the conclusion of the grievance process, including reasonably prompt timeframes for filing and resolving appeals, and informal resolution processes if appropriate and offered by the district

The district's procedures shall also include a process that allows for the temporary delay of the grievance procedures or the limited extension of timeframes for good cause with written notice to the complainant and the respondent of the delay or extension and the reasons for the action. Good cause may include considerations such as the absence of a party, a party's advisor, or a witness; concurrent law enforcement activity; or the need for language assistance or accommodation of disabilities.

6. Describe the range of, or list, the possible disciplinary sanctions and remedies that the district may implement following any determination of responsibility

7. State whether the standard of evidence to be used to determine responsibility is the preponderance of the evidence standard or the clear and convincing evidence standard, and apply the same standard of evidence to formal complaints against students and employees and to all formal complaints of sexual harassment

8. Include the procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal

9. Describe the range of supportive measures available to complainants and respondents

10. Not require, allow, rely upon, or otherwise use questions or evidence that constitute, or seek disclosure of information protected under a legally recognized privilege, unless the person holding such privilege has waived the privilege

Additionally, the district shall not disclose the identity of any individual who has made a report or complaint of sex discrimination, including any individual who has made a report or filed a formal complaint of sexual harassment, any complainant, any individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of sex discrimination, any respondent, and any witness, except as may be permitted by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act statute or regulations, as required by law, or to carry out the purposes of Title IX, including the conduct of any investigation, hearing, or judicial proceeding arising under Title IX. (34 CFR 106.30, 106.71)

Reporting Allegations/Filing a Formal Complaint

A student who is the alleged victim of sexual harassment or the student's parent/guardian may submit a report of sexual harassment to the district's Title IX Coordinator using the contact information listed in Administrative Regulation 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment, or to any other available school employee, who shall forward the report to the Title IX Coordinator within one workday of receiving the report.

Upon receiving such a report, the Title IX Coordinator shall inform the complainant of the right to file a formal complaint and the process for filing a formal complaint. (34 CFR 106.44)

A formal complaint shall include the complainant's physical or digital signature, or another indication that the complainant is the person filing the complaint, and be filed with the Title IX Coordinator in person, by mail, by email, or by any other method authorized by the district. (34 CFR 106.30)

If the district has actual knowledge of sexual harassment or allegations of sexual harassment but the alleged victim does not file a formal complaint, the Title IX Coordinator may file a formal complaint and, in situations when an imminent safety threat exists, shall

file a formal complaint. In such cases, the Title IX Coordinator shall provide the alleged victim notices as required by the Title IX regulations at specific points in the complaint process.

Supportive Measures

Upon receipt of a report of Title IX sexual harassment, the Title IX Coordinator shall promptly contact the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures and shall consider the complainant's wishes with respect to the supportive measures implemented. Supportive measures shall be offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without charge to the complainant or the respondent before or after the filing of a formal complaint or even if no formal complaint has been filed. Such measures shall be nondisciplinary, nonpunitive, and designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the district's educational environment or to deter sexual harassment. Supportive measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, extensions of deadlines or other course-related adjustments, modifications of work or class schedules, campus escort services, mutual restrictions on contact, changes in work or housing locations, leaves of absence, increased security, and monitoring of certain areas of the campus. (34 CFR 106.30, 106.44)

The district shall maintain as confidential any supportive measures provided to the complainant or respondent, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the district's ability to provide the supportive measures. (34 CFR 106.30)

Emergency Removal from School

If a student is the respondent, the district may remove the student from the district's education program or activity on an emergency basis, provided that the district conducts an individualized safety and risk analysis, determines that removal is justified due to an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any student or other individual arising from the allegations, and provides the student with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal. Any such removal may not constitute discipline for student record purposes or Board Policy 5144 - Discipline. Additionally, this authority to remove a student does not modify a student's rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (34 CFR 106.44)

If a district employee is the respondent, the employee may be placed on administrative leave during the pendency of the formal complaint process. (34 CFR 106.44)

Dismissal of Complaint

The Title IX Coordinator shall dismiss a formal complaint if the alleged conduct would not constitute sexual harassment as defined in 34 CFR 106.30. Additionally, the Title IX Coordinator shall dismiss a formal complaint in which the alleged conduct did not occur in the district's education program or activity or did not occur against a person in the United States. In addition, the Title IX Coordinator may dismiss a formal complaint if the complainant notifies the district in writing that the complainant would like to withdraw the complaint or any allegations in the complaint, the respondent is no longer enrolled or employed by the district, or sufficient circumstances prevent the district from gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination with regard to the complaint. (34 CFR 106.45)

Upon dismissal, the Title IX Coordinator shall promptly send written notice of the dismissal and the reasons for the dismissal simultaneously to the parties, and shall inform them of their right to appeal the dismissal in accordance with the appeal procedures described in the section "Appeals" below. (34 CFR 106.45)

If a complaint is dismissed, the conduct may still be addressed pursuant to Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures, as applicable.

Informal Resolution Process

When a formal complaint of sexual harassment is filed the district may offer an informal resolution process, such as mediation, at any time prior to reaching a determination regarding responsibility. (34 CFR 106.45)

The district shall not require a party to participate in the informal resolution process or to waive the right to an investigation and adjudication of a formal complaint, including that the district shall not require such waiver as a condition of enrollment or employment or continuing enrollment or employment. (34 CFR 106.45)

As part of an informal resolution, the parties may agree upon discipline such as suspension or expulsion without the need for an investigation.

The district may facilitate an informal resolution process provided that the district: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. Provides the parties with written notice disclosing the allegations; the requirements of the informal resolution process, including the circumstances under which it precludes the parties from resuming a formal complaint arising from the same allegations; the right to withdraw from the informal process and resume the formal complaint process at any time prior to agreeing to a resolution; and any consequences resulting from the informal resolution process, including that records will be maintained or could be shared

2. Obtains the parties' voluntary, written consent to the informal resolution process
 3. Does not offer or facilitate an informal resolution process to resolve allegations that an employee sexually harassed a student
- Written Notice

If a formal complaint is filed, the Title IX Coordinator shall provide the known parties with written notice of the following: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. The district's complaint process, including any informal resolution process
2. The allegations potentially constituting sexual harassment with sufficient details known at the time, including the identity of parties involved in the incident if known, the conduct allegedly constituting sexual harassment, and the date and location of the alleged incident if known

Such notice shall be provided with sufficient time for the parties to prepare a response before any initial interview. If, during the course of the investigation, new Title IX allegations arise about the complainant or respondent that are not included in the initial notice, the Title IX Coordinator shall provide notice of the additional allegations to the parties.

3. A statement that the respondent is presumed not responsible for the alleged conduct and that a determination regarding responsibility is made at the conclusion of the complaint process
4. The opportunity for the parties to have an advisor of their choice who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney, and the ability to inspect and review evidence
5. The prohibition against knowingly making false statements or knowingly submitting false information during the complaint process

The above notice may also include the name of the investigator, facilitator of an informal process, and decisionmaker and inform the parties that, if at any time a party has concerns regarding conflict of interest or bias regarding any of these persons, the party should immediately notify the Title IX Coordinator.

Consolidation of Complaints

When the allegations of sexual harassment arise out of the same facts or circumstances, the district may consolidate formal complaints alleging sexual harassment against more than one respondent; by more than one complainant against one or more respondents; or by one party against another party. (34 CFR 106.45)

Investigation Procedures

During the investigation process, the district's designated investigator shall: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. Provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present witnesses, including fact and expert witnesses, and other inculpatory and exculpatory evidence
2. Not restrict the ability of either party to discuss the allegations under investigation or to gather and present relevant evidence
3. Provide the parties with the same opportunities to have others present during any grievance proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice, who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney
4. Not limit the choice or presence of an advisor for either the complainant or respondent in any meeting or grievance proceeding, although the district may establish restrictions regarding the extent to which the advisor may participate in the proceedings as long as the restrictions apply equally to both parties
5. Provide, to a party whose participation is invited or expected, written notice of the date, time, location, participants, and purpose of all investigative interviews or other meetings, with sufficient time for the party to prepare to participate
6. Provide both parties an equal opportunity to inspect and review any evidence obtained as part of the investigation that is directly related to the allegations raised in a formal complaint including evidence that the district does not intend to rely on in reaching a determination regarding responsibility and inculpatory and exculpatory evidence whether obtained from a party or other source so that each party can meaningfully respond to the evidence prior to conclusion of the investigation
7. Send in an electronic format or hard copy to both parties and their advisors, if any, the evidence obtained as part of the investigation that is directly related to the allegations raised in the complaint, and provide the parties at least 10 days to submit a written response for the investigator to consider prior to the completion of the investigative report
8. Create an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence and, at least 10 days prior to the determination of responsibility, send to the parties and their advisors, if any, the investigative report in an electronic format or a hard copy, for their review and written response

Questions and evidence about the complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant, unless such questions and evidence are offered to prove that someone other than the respondent committed the conduct alleged by the

complainant or if the questions and evidence concern specific incidents of the complainant's prior sexual behavior with respect to the respondent and are offered to prove consent.

Privacy rights of all parties to the complaint shall be maintained in accordance with applicable state and federal laws.

If the complaint is against an employee, rights conferred under an applicable collective bargaining agreement shall be applied to the extent they do not conflict with the Title IX requirements.

Written Decision

The Superintendent shall designate an employee as the decisionmaker to determine responsibility for the alleged conduct, who shall not be the Title IX Coordinator or a person involved in the investigation. (34 CFR 106.45)

After the investigative report has been sent to the parties but before reaching a determination regarding responsibility, the decisionmaker shall afford each party the opportunity to submit written, relevant questions that the party wants asked of any party or witness, provide each party with the answers, and allow for additional, limited follow-up questions from each party.

The decisionmaker shall issue, and simultaneously provide to both parties, a written decision as to the scope of the respondent's responsibility for the alleged conduct, if any. (34 CFR 106.45)

The written decision shall be issued within 60 calendar days of the receipt of the complaint.

The district may extend the timeline for good cause with written notice to the complainant and respondent of the extension and the reasons for the action. (34 CFR 106.45)

In making this determination, the decisionmaker shall use the "preponderance of the evidence" standard for all formal complaints of sexual harassment. The same standard of evidence shall be used for formal complaints against students as for complaints against employees. (34 CFR 106.45)

The written decision shall include the following: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. Identification of the allegations potentially constituting sexual harassment as defined in 34 CFR 106.30
2. A description of the procedural steps taken from receipt of the formal complaint through the written decision, including any notifications to the parties, interviews with parties and witnesses, site visits, methods used to gather other evidence, and hearings held if the district includes hearings as part of the grievance process
3. Findings of fact supporting the determination
4. Conclusions regarding the application of the district's code of conduct or policies to the facts
5. A statement of, and rationale for, the result as to each allegation, including a decision regarding responsibility, any disciplinary sanctions the district imposes on the respondent, and whether remedies designed to restore or preserve equal access to the district's educational program or activity will be provided by the district to the complainant
6. The district's procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal

Appeals

Either party may appeal the written decision or dismissal of a formal complaint or any allegation in the complaint, if the party believes that a procedural irregularity affected the outcome, new evidence is available that was not reasonably available at the time the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal was made that could affect the outcome, or a conflict of interest or bias by the Title IX Coordinator, investigator(s), or decisionmaker(s) affected the outcome.

If an appeal is filed, the district shall: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. Notify the other party in writing when an appeal is filed and implement appeal procedures equally for both parties
2. Ensure that the decisionmaker(s) for the appeal is trained in accordance with 34 CFR 106.45 and is not the same decisionmaker(s) who reached the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal, the investigator(s), or the Title IX Coordinator
3. Give both parties a reasonable, equal opportunity to submit a written statement in support of, or challenging, the outcome
4. Issue a written decision describing the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result
5. Provide the written decision simultaneously to both parties

An appeal shall be filed in writing within 10 calendar days of receiving the notice of the decision or dismissal, stating the grounds for the appeal and including any relevant documentation in support of the appeal. Appeals submitted after this deadline are not timely and shall not be considered.

A written decision shall be provided to the parties within 20 calendar days from the receipt of the appeal.

Either party has the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights within 180 days of the

date of the most recently alleged misconduct.

The complainant shall be advised of any civil law remedies, including, but not limited to, injunctions, restraining orders, or other remedies or orders that may be available under state or federal antidiscrimination laws, if applicable.

Remedies

When a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made against the respondent, the district shall provide remedies to the complainant as appropriate. Such remedies may include the same individualized services described above in the section "Supportive Measures," but need not be nondisciplinary or nonpunitive and need not avoid burdening the respondent. (34 CFR 106.45)

Corrective/Disciplinary Actions

The district may impose disciplinary sanctions or other actions after the complaint procedure has been completed and a determination of responsibility has been made. (34 CFR 106.44, 106.45)

For students in grades 4-12, discipline for sexual harassment may include suspension and/or expulsion in accordance with Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1 - Suspension/Expulsion and Administrative Regulation 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities). (Education Code 48900.2, 48915)

Other actions that may be taken with a student who is determined to be responsible for sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:

1. Transfer from a class or school as permitted by law
2. Conference with parent/guardian
3. Educating the student regarding the impact of the student's conduct on others
4. Positive behavior support
5. Referral of the student to a student success team
6. Denial of participation in extracurricular or cocurricular activities or other privileges as permitted by law

When an employee is found to have committed sexual harassment or retaliation, the district shall take appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, in accordance with applicable law and collective bargaining agreement.

Record-Keeping

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain, for a period of seven years: (34 CFR 106.45)

1. A record of all reported cases and Title IX investigations of sexual harassment, any determinations of responsibility, any audio or audiovisual recording and transcript if applicable, any disciplinary sanctions imposed, any remedies provided to the complainant, and any appeal or informal resolution and the results therefrom
2. A record of any actions, including supportive measures, taken in response to a report or formal complaint of sexual harassment, including the district's basis for its conclusion that its response was not deliberately indifferent, the measures taken that were designed to restore or preserve equal access to the education program or activity, and, if no supportive measures were provided to the complainant, the reasons that such a response was not unreasonable in light of the known circumstances
3. All materials used to train the Title IX Coordinator, investigator(s), decisionmaker(s), and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process

The district shall make such training materials publicly available on its website, or if the district does not maintain a website, available upon request by members of the public.

For complaints containing allegations of childhood sexual assault, the Superintendent or designee shall also indefinitely maintain the following: (Code of Civil Procedure 340.1)

1. A record of the allegation(s)
2. A record of the investigation procedures followed
3. A record of the written determination
4. A record of the corrective action implemented, if any
5. A record of any appeals and the outcome of the same
6. All training materials addressing the prohibition and investigation of childhood sexual assault

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall indefinitely maintain a record of insurance which evidences the district's coverage for acts of sexual assault.

(F) School-wide Dress Code Relating to Gang-Related Apparel (EC 35183)

The Blochman Board of Trustees believes students will dress and act responsibly. At Blochman, we believe that basic rules of sanitation, neatness and modesty must be observed. Furthermore, we believe that the integrity of the learning environment must be preserved. Therefore, students should not dress in a manner that will be disruptive to the learning process, nor should they use clothing or accessories in a disruptive manner. Clothing and accessories are to be used and worn as intended. Regular school dress standards are expected at all school functions.

Clothing that interrupts the instructional process will be deemed inappropriate by school authorities. A student whose mode of dress is deemed unsuitable or inappropriate may be asked by school personnel to make the necessary corrections in personal appearance.

- * No excessively short skirts or shorts. Skirts and shorts must be below fingertips when arms are hanging naturally to the side.
- * No bare midriffs, tube tops, halter-tops, or spaghetti straps.
- * No clothing or any personal items that advertises alcohol, drugs, or tobacco products.
- * No bandanas or doo rags.
- * No hats, visors, hoods or sunglasses are to be worn inside.
- * No chains, larger than ¼ inch, except for traditional items of jewelry
- * No body piercing except for ears.
- * All clothing must fit properly and must not be more than two sizes larger than the student's normal clothing size.
- * No pajamas unless on designated day.
- * Undergarments must not show.
- * No excessive or unnatural make-up for middle school students and no make-up for K-5.
- * No clothing with designs or lettering generally considered vulgar, obscene, suggestive, or gang-related.
- * Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times for safety and health reasons. Closed toe shoes must be worn for Physical Education classes every day. No Heelys on campus.
- * No clothing that is revealing or immodest in character.
- * Pants must be secured at the waist. No saggy pants.

(G) Procedure for Safe Ingress and Egress of Pupils, Parents, and Staff to and from School (EC 35294.2)

Benjamin Foxen Elementary School has adopted the following procedures for safe ingress and egress of pupils, parents, and staff to and from school:

1. A Crossing Guard is available to assist students in crossing the street at the start of school and at the end of the school day.
2. A secure parking lot is provided for staff and parent parking. The speed limit in the parking lot is clearly posted at 5 mph.
3. Students riding buses are trained in bus safety.
4. Visitors to the school must sign in and out in the office and wear a visitor badge during the visit.

Regulation 5142 (in part)

At each school, the principal or designee shall establish emergency procedures, rules for student conduct, and rules for the safe and appropriate use of school facilities, equipment, and materials, consistent with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. The rules shall be communicated to students, distributed to parents/guardians, and readily available at the school at all times.

Release of Students

Students shall be released during the school day only to the custody of an adult who is one of the following:

1. The student's custodial parent/guardian
2. An adult authorized in the district's student information system as an individual to whom the student may be released when the custodial parent/guardian cannot be reached, provided the principal or designee verifies the adult's identity
3. An authorized law enforcement officer acting in accordance with law
4. An adult taking the student to emergency medical care at the request of the principal or designee

Supervision of Students

Teachers shall be present at their respective rooms and shall open them to admit students not less than 30 minutes before the time

that school starts. (5 CCR 5570)

Every teacher shall hold students to a strict account for their conduct on the way to and from school, on the playgrounds, and during recess. (Education Code 44807)

The principal or designee shall require all individuals supervising students to remain alert for unauthorized persons and dangerous conditions, and promptly report any unusual incidents to the principal or designee and file a written report as appropriate.

(H) A Safe and Orderly School Environment Conducive to Learning (EC 35294.2)

Goal

Component:

Environment Conducive to Learning

Element:

Attendance

Opportunity for Improvement:

We will continue to convey the importance of good attendance to parents and students.

Objectives	Action Steps	Resources	Lead Person	Evaluation
Improve student attendance	Awareness of attendance issues will be communicated to all stakeholder groups, including parents, students and staff. Accurate real-time information will be provided on a regular basis.	Student Information System, SARB	Principal, School Secretary, Teachers	Annual review of attendance data.

Objectives	Action Steps	Resources	Lead Person	Evaluation
Parent participation in school activities	We believe parent participation in school activities helps them understand the importance of student attendance. We will provide opportunities for all parents to be involved in school activities. Examples include: School Site Council meetings, LCAP meetings, parent-teacher conferences, parent surveys, Back to School Night, monthly newsletters, open sessions at board meetings, AG Day, Valentine family lunch, Talent Show, Water Day, Track and Field Day, and monthly award ceremonies.	Volunteers, donations	Principal, Teachers, Parents	Annual review of parent participation in events.

Goal

Component:

Commitment to a Drug and Alcohol Free Campus

Element:

Red Ribbon Week

Opportunity for Improvement:

We will continue to stress the importance of not using drugs or alcohol.

Objectives	Action Steps	Resources	Lead Person	Evaluation
Maintain a drug and alcohol free campus	Each year, red ribbons are worn and displayed during National Red Ribbon Week to demonstrate a visible and unified commitment toward making healthy choices. During Red Ribbon Week the school community promotes and encourages a healthy and safe lifestyle.	Community law enforcement officers	Principal, Teachers	A review of student disciplinary actions.

Goal

Component:

Positive School Environment

Element:

Positive Student Behavior

Opportunity for Improvement:

Continue to stress good character traits and utilize the Second Step Program

Objectives	Action Steps	Resources	Lead Person	Evaluation
Teach good character traits to students	Teachers choose a monthly character trait and awards are given to students who exemplify that trait.	Teachers, School Psychologist	Teachers	A review of student disciplinary actions.
Teach positive social/emotional skills to students	Utilize the Second Step program	Teachers, School Psychologist	Teachers, School Psychologist	A review of student disciplinary actions.

(I) School Discipline Rules and Consequences (EC 35291 and EC 35291.5)

Benjamin Foxen Elementary School Student Conduct Code

Policy 5131

The Governing Board believes that all students have the right to be educated in a safe and positive learning environment free from disruptions. Students shall be expected to exhibit appropriate conduct that does not infringe upon the rights of others or interfere with the school program while on school grounds, going to or coming from school, at school activities, or using district transportation. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each school develops standards of conduct and discipline consistent with Board policies and administrative regulations. Students and parents/guardians shall be notified of district and school rules related to conduct.

Prohibited student conduct includes, but is not limited to:

1. Conduct that endangers students, staff, or others, including, but not limited to, physical violence, possession of a firearm or other weapon, and terrorist threats
2. Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying of students or staff, including sexual harassment, hate-motivated behavior, cyberbullying, hazing or initiation activity, extortion, or any other verbal, written, or physical conduct that causes or threatens to cause violence, bodily harm, or substantial disruption to the school program
3. Conduct that disrupts the orderly classroom or school environment
4. Willful defiance of staff's authority
5. Damage to or theft of property belonging to students, staff, or the district
6. Obscene acts or use of profane, vulgar, or abusive language
7. Possession, use, or being under the influence of tobacco, alcohol, or other prohibited substances
8. Possession or use of a laser pointer, unless for a valid instructional or other school-related purpose with prior permission of the principal or designee (Penal Code 417.27)
9. Use of a smartphone or other mobile communication device in an unauthorized manner
10. Plagiarism or dishonesty on school work or tests
11. Wearing of any attire that violates district or school dress codes, including gang-related apparel

12. Tardiness or unexcused absence from school
13. Failure to remain on school premises in accordance with school rules
14. Other conduct prohibited by Education Code 48900-48915-48915

Employees are expected to enforce standards of conduct and when they observe or receive a report of a violation of these standards, to appropriately intervene, or seek assistance. As necessary, the employee shall refer the matter to a supervisor or the principal or designee.

When a school employee suspects that a search of a student or a student's belongings will turn up evidence of the student's violation of the law or school rules, such a search shall be conducted in accordance with Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.12 - Search and Seizure.

When a student uses any prohibited device, or uses a permitted device in an unauthorized manner, a district employee may confiscate the device. The employee shall store the device securely until it is returned to the student or turned over to the principal or designee, as appropriate.

Students who violate district or school rules and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, referral to a student success team or counseling services, or denial of participation in extracurricular or cocurricular activities or other privileges in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement as appropriate.

Students also may be subject to discipline, in accordance with law, Board policy, or administrative regulation, for any off-campus conduct during nonschool hours which poses a threat or danger to the safety of students, staff, or district property, or substantially disrupts school activities.

Conduct Code Procedures

Discipline Program

Time to Teach - Blochman Union School District has adopted a discipline program utilizing the principles of Time to Teach. There are five non-negotiable procedures established school-wide including Respect for Peers, Respect for Adults, Hallway Behavior, Smooth Transitions, and Personal Space. Teachers will establish guidelines for behavior in their classrooms.

The Blochman Union School District uses an Assertive Discipline model. All school rules are clearly explained, violations are dealt with immediately, and consequences are fair and consistent. Consequences become increasingly severe with each violation. Below are the most common consequences in approximate order of severity.

1. Reflection Walking – students who violate any playground rule will temporarily lose playground privileges and be required to “Reflection Walk”.
2. Classroom Detention – assigned as part of a classroom teacher’s discipline plan. Detentions may be assigned at recess, during lunch, or after school.
3. Behavior Referral – assigned to students for a major rule infraction or for persistently poor behavior. Referrals require a parent signature. Referrals are tabulated by trimester and require increased consequences as received. Consequences include:
 - 1st Referral – warning, parent contact
 - 2nd Referral – school detention, loss of privileges
 - 3rd Referral – in-school suspension
 - 4th Referral – out of school suspension
4. Classroom Suspension – California Ed Code affords teachers the authority to suspend any student from his or her classroom for up to two days. In such a case, parent contact will be made immediately by the teacher and a conference requested. Suspended students are permitted to attend other campus activities or classrooms during the suspension.
5. In-School Suspension – assigned to students who receive their third referral in a trimester or for other infractions that may not warrant out-of-school suspension. Students who are serving an in school suspension lose all privileges from the time of the suspension and are isolated from the rest of the student body.
6. Suspension in very serious situations, students will be suspended from school for 1-5 days. There are 16 infractions that are grounds for immediate suspension (Ed Code 48900)
 - (a) Caused, attempted or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
 - (b) Possessed, sold, or furnished a firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object.
 - (c) Possessed, used, sold or furnished or was under the influence of a controlled substance or alcohol or other intoxicant.
 - (d) Offered, arranged or negotiated to sell a controlled substance, alcohol or other intoxicant.

- (e) Committed robbery or extortion.
 - (f) Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property.
 - (g) Stole or attempted to steal school or private property.
 - (h) Possessed or used tobacco.
 - (i) Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
 - (j) Possessed or offered, arranged or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia.
 - (k) Disrupted school activities or defied the authority of school personnel.
 - (l) Knowingly received stolen school or private property.
 - (m) Possess an imitation firearm.
 - (n) Sexual harassment or committed or attempted a sexual assault.
 - (q) Engaged in or attempted to engaged in hazing
 - (r) Engaged in the act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act
7. Expulsion –in the most severe disciplinary situations, such as items a-e, a student may be permanently removed from the school district for up to one year. This action requires a hearing in which the final decision is made by the district’s Governing Board. Violations of Ed Code 48900 could result in suspension or expulsion without previous discipline.

(K) Hate Crime Reporting Procedures and Policies

Policy 5145.9

The Governing Board is committed to providing a respectful, inclusive, and safe learning environment that protects students from discrimination, harassment, intimidation, bullying, or any other type of behavior that is motivated by hate.

Hate-motivated behavior is any behavior intended to cause emotional suffering, physical injury, or property damage through intimidation, harassment, bigoted slurs or epithets, force or threat of force, or vandalism motivated in part or in whole by bias or hostility toward the victim's real or perceived race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55.

The Superintendent or designee shall design strategies to promote harmonious relationships among students, prevent incidents of hate-motivated behavior to the extent possible, and address such incidents in a timely manner when they occur.

The Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with regional programs and community organizations to promote an environment where diversity is celebrated and hate-motivated behavior is not tolerated. Such collaborative efforts shall focus on the development of effective prevention strategies and response plans, provision of assistance to students affected by hate-motivated behavior, and/or education of students who have perpetrated hate-motivated acts.

The district shall provide students with age-appropriate instruction that:

1. Includes the development of social-emotional learning
2. Promotes an understanding, awareness, appreciation, and respect for human rights, human relations, diversity, and acceptance in a multicultural society
3. Explains the harm and dangers of explicit and implicit biases
4. Discourages discriminatory attitudes and practices
5. Provides strategies to manage conflicts constructively

As necessary, the district shall provide counseling, guidance, and support to students who are victims of hate-motivated behavior and to students who exhibit such behavior.

When appropriate, students who engage in hate-motivated behavior shall be disciplined.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff with training that:

1. Promotes an understanding of diversity, equity, and inclusion
2. Discourages the development of discriminatory attitudes and practices
3. Includes social-emotional learning and nondiscriminatory instructional and counseling methods
4. Supports the prevention, recognition, and response to hate-motivated behavior

5. Raises the awareness and sensitivity of staff to potentially prejudicial and discriminatory behavior
6. Includes effective enforcement of rules for appropriate student conduct

Employees who engage in hate-motivated behavior shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal. Rules prohibiting hate-motivated behavior and procedures for reporting a hate-motivated incident shall be provided to students, staff, and parents/guardians.

This policy shall be posted in a prominent location on the district's web site in a manner that is readily and easily accessible to parents/guardians and students. (Education Code 234.6)

Complaints

Any staff member who is notified that hate-motivated behavior has occurred, observes such behavior, or otherwise becomes aware of an incident shall immediately contact the compliance officer responsible for coordinating the district's response to complaints and complying with state and federal civil rights laws. As appropriate, the staff member shall also contact law enforcement. A student or parent/guardian who believes the student is a victim of hate-motivated behavior is encouraged to report the incident to a teacher, the principal, the district's compliance officer, or other staff member.

Any complaint of hate-motivated behavior shall be investigated and, if determined to be discriminatory, shall be resolved in accordance with law and the district's uniform complaint procedures specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures or other applicable procedure. If, during the investigation, it is determined that a complaint is about nondiscriminatory behavior, the principal or designee shall inform the complainant and shall take all necessary actions to resolve the complaint.

(J) Procedures to Prepare for Active Shooters

ARMED ASSAULT ON CAMPUS

Armed Assault on Campus involves one or more individuals who attempt to take hostages or cause physical harm to students and staff. Guns, knives or other harmful devices may be involved.

Procedure – Quickly determine the most reasonable way to protect your own life. Remember that students will likely follow the lead of teachers and school employees during an active shooter situation.

1. RUN – If there is an accessible escape path, attempt to evacuate the premises. Be sure to:
 - a. Have an escape route and plan in mind
 - b. Evacuate regardless of whether other agree to follow
 - c. Leave your belongings behind
 - d. Help others escape, if possible
 - e. Prevent individuals from entering an area where the active shooter may be
 - f. Keep your hands visible
 - g. Do not attempt to move wounded people
 - h. Call 911 when you are safe
2. HIDE – If evacuation is not possible, find a place to hide where the active shooter is less likely to find you.
 - a. Your hiding place should:
 - i. Be out of the active shooter's view
 - ii. Provide protection if shots are fired in your direction (i.e., a room with a closed and locked door)
 - iii. Not trap you or restrict your options for movement
 - b. To prevent an active shooter from entering your hiding place:
 - i. Lock the door
 - ii. Blockade the door with heavy furniture
 - c. If the active shooter is nearby:
 - i. Lock the door
 - ii. Silence your cell phone
 - iii. Turn off any source of noise (i.e., radios, televisions)
 - iv. Hide behind large items (i.e., cabinets, desks)
 - v. Remain quite

- d. If evacuation and hiding are not possible:
- i. Remain calm
 - ii. Dial 911, if possible, to alert police of the active shooter's location
 - iii. If you cannot speak, leave the line open and allow the dispatcher to listen
3. FIGHT – As a last resort, an only when your life is in imminent danger, attempt to disrupt and/or incapacitate the active shooter by:
- a. Acting as aggressively as possible against him/her
 - b. Throwing items and improvising weapons
 - c. Yelling
 - d. Committing to your actions

HOW TO RESPOND WHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES:

1. Remain clam, and follow officers' instructions
2. Put down any items in your hands (i.e., bags, jackets)
3. Immediately raise hands and spread fingers
4. Keep hands visible at all times
5. Avoid making quick movements toward officers such as holding on to them for safety
6. Avoid pointing, screaming, and/or yelling
7. Do not stop to ask officers for help or direction when evacuating, just proceed in the direction from which the officers are entering the premises

All Clear signal will be made by personal notification only, after consultation with Law Enforcement Administrative Personnel on scene.

Staff is not to act upon bells or PA messages without this Personal Notification.

Procedures for Preventing Acts of Bullying and Cyber-bullying

Policy 5141.2 Bullying

This policy shall apply to all acts constituting bullying related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a district school, to acts which occur off campus or outside of school-related or school-sponsored activities but which may have an impact or create a hostile environment at school, and to all acts of the Governing Board and the Superintendent in enacting policies and procedures that govern the district.

The Board recognizes the harmful effects of bullying on student well-being, student learning, and school attendance and desires to provide a welcoming, safe, and supportive school environment that protects students from physical, mental, and emotional harm. No individual or group shall, through physical, written, verbal, visual, or other means, harass, sexually harass, threaten, intimidate, cyberbully, cause bodily injury to, or commit hate violence against any student or school personnel, or retaliate against them for filing a complaint or participating in the complaint resolution process.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies for addressing bullying in district schools with the involvement of students, parents/guardians, and staff. As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee may also collaborate with social services, mental health services, law enforcement, courts, and other agencies and community organizations in the development and implementation of effective strategies to promote safety in schools and the community.

Such strategies shall be incorporated into the comprehensive safety plan and, to the extent possible, into the local control and accountability plan and other applicable district and school plans.

Any complaint of bullying shall be investigated and, if determined to be discriminatory, resolved in accordance with law and the district's uniform complaint procedures specified in Administrative Regulation 1312.3. If, during the investigation, it is determined that a complaint is about nondiscriminatory bullying, the principal or designee shall inform the complainant and shall take all necessary actions to resolve the complaint.

If the Superintendent or designee believes it is in the best interest of a student who has been the victim of an act of bullying, as defined in Education Code 48900, the Superintendent or designee shall advise the student's parents/guardians that the student may transfer to another school. If the parents/guardians of a student who has been the victim of an act of bullying requests a transfer for the student pursuant to Education Code 46600, the Superintendent or designee shall allow the transfer in accordance with law and district policy on intradistrict or interdistrict transfer, as applicable.

District families are encouraged to model respectful behavior, contribute to a safe and supportive learning environment, and monitor potential causes of bullying.

Any employee who permits or engages in bullying or retaliation related to bullying shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

Regulation 5141.2 Bullying

Examples of Prohibited Conduct

Bullying is an aggressive behavior that involves a real or perceived imbalance of power between individuals with the intent to cause emotional or physical harm. Bullying can be physical, verbal, or social/relational and may involve a single severe act or repetition or potential repetition of a deliberate act. Bullying includes, but is not limited to, any act described in Education Code 48900(r). Cyberbullying includes the electronic creation or transmission of harassing communications, direct threats, or other harmful texts, sounds, or images, which may be shared, sent, or posted publicly. Cyberbullying may include, but is not limited to, personal or private information that causes humiliation, false or negative information to discredit or disparage, or threats of physical harm. Cyberbullying may also include breaking into another person's electronic account or assuming that person's online identity in order to damage that person's reputation.

Examples of the types of conduct that may constitute bullying and are prohibited by the district include, but are not limited to:

1. Physical bullying: An act that inflicts harm upon a person's body or possessions, such as hitting, kicking, pinching, spitting, tripping, pushing, taking or breaking someone's possessions, or making cruel or rude hand gestures
2. Verbal bullying: An act that includes saying or writing hurtful things, such as teasing, name-calling, inappropriate sexual comments, taunting, or threats to cause harm
3. Social/relational bullying: An act that harms a person's reputation or relationships, such as leaving a person out of an activity on purpose, influencing others not to be friends with someone, spreading rumors, or embarrassing someone in public
4. Cyberbullying: An act that occurs on electronic devices such as computers, tablets, or cell phones, such as sending demeaning or hateful text messages, direct messages or public posts on social media apps, gaming forums, or emails, spreading rumors by email or by posting on social networking sites, shaming or humiliating by allowing others to view, participate in, or share disparaging or harmful content, or posting or sharing embarrassing photos, videos, website, or fake profiles

Measures to Prevent Bullying

The Superintendent or designee shall implement measures to prevent bullying in district schools, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Developing a strategic plan for school connectedness and social skills with benchmark tracking, which may include providing regular opportunities and spaces for students to develop social skills and strengthen relationships and promoting adult support from family and school staff, peer-led programs, and partnerships with key community groups, implementing socially based educational techniques such as cooperative learning projects that can improve educational outcomes as well as peer relations, creating a supportive school environment that fosters belonging through equitable classroom management, mentoring, and peer support groups that allow students to lean on each other and learn from each other's experiences, and building social connection into health education courses including information on the consequences of social connection on physical and mental health, key risk and protective factors, and strategies for increasing social connection
2. Ensuring that each school establishes clear rules for student and staff conduct and implements strategies to promote a positive, supportive, and collaborative school climate
3. Providing information to students, through student handbooks, district and school websites and social media, and other age-appropriate means, about district and school rules related to bullying, mechanisms available for reporting incidents or threats, and the consequences for engaging in bullying
4. Encouraging students to notify school staff when they are being bullied or when they suspect that another student is being bullied,

and providing means by which students may report threats or incidents confidentially and anonymously

5. Conducting an assessment of bullying incidents at each school and, if necessary, increasing supervision and security in areas where bullying most often occurs, such as playgrounds, hallways, restrooms, and cafeterias

6. Annually notifying district employees that, pursuant to Education Code 234.1, any school staff who witnesses an act of bullying against a student has a responsibility to immediately intervene to stop the incident when it is safe to do so

Staff Development

The Superintendent or designee shall annually make available to all certificated staff and to other employees who have regular interaction with students the California Department of Education (CDE) online training module on the dynamics of bullying and cyberbullying, including the identification of bullying and cyberbullying and the implementation of strategies to address bullying. (Education Code 32283.5)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to teachers and other school staff to raise their awareness about the legal obligation of the district and its employees to prevent discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying of district students. Such training shall be designed to provide staff with the skills to:

1. Discuss the diversity of the student body and school community, including their varying immigration experiences
2. Discuss bullying prevention strategies with students, and teach students to recognize the behavior and characteristics of bullying perpetrators and victims
3. Identify the signs of bullying or harassing behavior
4. Take immediate corrective action when bullying is observed
5. Report incidents to the appropriate authorities, including law enforcement in instances of criminal behavior

Information and Resources

The Superintendent or designee shall post on the district's website, in a prominent location and in a manner that is easily accessible to students and parents/guardians, information on bullying and harassment prevention which includes the following: (Education Code 234.6)

1. The district's policy on student suicide prevention, including a reference to the policy's age appropriateness for students in grades K-6
2. The definition of sex discrimination and harassment as described in Education Code 230, including the rights set forth in Education Code 221.8
3. Title IX information included on the district's website pursuant to Education Code 221.61, and a link to the Title IX information included on CDE's website pursuant to Education Code 221.6
4. District policies on student sexual harassment, prevention and response to hate violence, discrimination, harassment, intimidation, bullying, and cyberbullying
5. A section on social media bullying that includes all of the references described in Education Code 234.6 as possible forums for social media
6. A link to statewide resources, including community-based organizations, compiled by CDE pursuant to Education Code 234.5
7. Any additional information the Superintendent or designee deems important for preventing bullying and harassment

Student Instruction

As appropriate, the district shall provide students with instruction, in the classroom or other educational settings, that promotes social-emotional learning, effective communication and conflict resolution skills, character development, respect for cultural and individual differences, self-esteem development, assertiveness skills, digital and media literacy skills, and appropriate online behavior.

The district shall also educate students about the negative impact of bullying, discrimination, intimidation, and harassment based on actual or perceived immigration status, religious beliefs and customs, or any other individual bias or prejudice.

Students should be taught the difference between appropriate and inappropriate behaviors, how to advocate for themselves, how to help another student who is being bullied, and when to seek assistance from a trusted adult. As role models for students, staff are responsible for teaching and modeling respectful behavior and building safe and supportive learning environments, and are expected to demonstrate effective problem-solving and anger management skills.

To discourage cyberbullying, teachers may advise students to be cautious about sharing passwords, personal data, or private photos online and to consider the consequences of making negative comments about others online.

Reporting and Filing of Complaints

Any student, parent/guardian, or other individual who believes that a student has been subjected to bullying or who has witnessed bullying may report the incident to a teacher, the principal, a compliance officer, or any other available school employee.

When a report of bullying is submitted, the principal or a district compliance officer shall inform the student or parent/guardian of the right to file a formal written complaint in accordance with Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. The student who is the alleged victim of the bullying shall be given an opportunity to describe the incident, identify witnesses who may have relevant information, and provide other evidence of bullying.

Within one business day of receiving such a report, a staff member shall notify the principal of the report, regardless of whether a uniform complaint is filed. In addition, any school employee who observes an incident of bullying involving a student shall, within one business day, report such observation to the principal or a district compliance officer, regardless of whether the alleged victim files a complaint.

Within two business days of receiving a report of bullying, the principal shall notify the district compliance officer identified in Administrative Regulation 1312.3.

Any individuals with information about cyberbullying activity shall save and print any electronic or digital messages that they feel constitute cyberbullying and shall notify a teacher, the principal, or other employee so that the matter may be investigated. When an investigation concludes that a student used a social networking site or service to bully or harass another student, the Superintendent or designee may report the cyberbullying to the social media platform and may request the material be removed.

Discipline/Corrective Actions

Corrective actions for a student who commits an act of bullying of any type may include counseling, behavioral intervention, and education, and, if the behavior is severe or pervasive as defined in Education Code 48900, may include suspension or expulsion in accordance with district policies and regulations.

When a student has been suspended, or other means of correction have been implemented against the student, for an incident of racist bullying, harassment, or intimidation, the principal or designee shall engage both the victim and perpetrator in a restorative justice practice suitable to the needs of the students. The principal or designee shall also require the perpetrator to engage in a culturally sensitive program that promotes racial justice and equity and combats racism and ignorance and shall regularly check on the victim to ensure that the victim is not in danger of suffering from any long-lasting mental health issues. (Education Code 48900.5)

When appropriate based on the severity or pervasiveness of the bullying, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parents/guardians of victims and perpetrators and may contact law enforcement.

Support Services

The Superintendent, principal, or designee may refer a victim, witness, perpetrator, or other student affected by an act of bullying to a school counselor, school psychologist, social worker, child welfare attendance personnel, school nurse, or other school support service personnel for case management, counseling, and/or participation in a restorative justice program as appropriate. (Education Code 48900.9)

If any student involved in bullying exhibits warning signs of suicidal thought or intention or of intent to harm another person, the Superintendent or designee shall, as appropriate, implement district intervention protocols which may include, but are not limited to, referral to district or community mental health services, other health professionals, and/or law enforcement, in accordance with Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention.

Policy 6163.4 Student Use of Technology

The Governing Board believes that effective use of technology is integral to the education and development of students. In order to promote digital citizenship, the Board recognizes that students must have access to the latest digital tools and receive instruction that allows students to positively engage with technology in ways that respect human rights and avoids Internet dangers.

Technological resources provided to students, including technology based on artificial intelligence (AI), shall be aligned to district goals, objectives, and academic standards. The use of technology shall augment the use of Board adopted instructional materials. The Board intends that technological resources provided by the district be used in a safe and responsible manner in support of the instructional program and for the advancement of student learning. Students shall be allowed to use such technology, including AI technology, in accordance with district policies, including, but not limited to, policies on academic honesty, data privacy, nondiscrimination, and copyright protections. All students using these resources shall receive instruction in the proper and

appropriate use of technology. Such instruction shall incorporate students' responsibilities regarding academic honesty, honoring copyright provisions, assessing the reliability and accuracy of information, protecting personal data, and the potential for biases and errors in artificially generated content.

District technology includes, but is not limited to, computer hardware, software, or software as a service provided or paid for by the district, whether accessed on or off site or through district-owned or personally owned equipment or devices, including tablets and laptops; computer servers, wireless access points (routers), and wireless computer networking technology (wi-fi); the Internet; email; applications (apps), including AI apps; telephones, cellular telephones, smartphones, smart devices, and wearable technology; or any wireless communication device, including radios.

Teachers, administrators, and/or library media specialists are expected to review the technological resources and online sites that will be used in the classroom or assigned to students in order to ensure that they are appropriate for the intended purpose and the age of the students.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and parents/guardians about authorized uses of district technology, user obligations and responsibilities, and consequences for unauthorized use and/or unlawful activities in accordance with this board policy and the district's Acceptable Use Agreement.

Before a student is authorized to use district technology, the student and the student's parent/guardian shall sign and return the Acceptable Use Agreement. In that agreement, the student and parent/guardian shall agree not to hold the district or any district staff responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures or user mistakes or negligence and shall agree to indemnify and hold harmless the district and district staff for any damages or costs incurred.

The district reserves the right to monitor student use of technology within the jurisdiction of the district without advance notice or consent. Students shall be informed that the use of district technology, as defined above, is not private and may be accessed by the district for the purpose of ensuring proper use. Students have no reasonable expectation of privacy in the use of district technology. Students' personally owned devices shall not be searched except in cases where there is a reasonable suspicion, based on specific and objective facts, that the search will uncover evidence of a violation of law, district policy, or school rules.

The Superintendent or designee may gather and maintain information pertaining directly to school safety or student safety from the social media activity of any district student in accordance with Education Code 49073.6 and Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5125 - Student Records.

Whenever a student is found to have violated board policy or the district's Acceptable Use Agreement, the principal or designee may cancel or limit a student's user privileges or increase supervision of the student's use of the district's equipment and other technological resources, as appropriate. Inappropriate use also may result in disciplinary action and/or legal action in accordance with law and board policy.

The Superintendent or designee, with input from students and appropriate staff, shall regularly review and update procedures to enhance the safety and security of students using district technology and to help ensure that the district adapts to changing technologies and circumstances.

Internet Safety

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district computers with Internet access have a technology protection measure that protects against access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors and that the operation of such measures is enforced. (20 USC 7131; 47 USC 254; 47 CFR 54.520)

To reinforce these measures, the Superintendent or designee shall implement rules and procedures designed to restrict students' access to harmful or inappropriate matter on the Internet and to ensure that students do not engage in unauthorized or unlawful online activities.

Harmful matter includes matter, taken as a whole, which to the average person, applying contemporary statewide standards, appeals to the prurient interest and is matter which depicts or describes, in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct and which lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors. (Penal Code 313)

The district's Acceptable Use Agreement shall establish expectations for appropriate student conduct when using the Internet or other forms of electronic communication, including, but not limited to, prohibitions against:

1. Accessing, posting, submitting, publishing, or displaying harmful or inappropriate matter that is threatening, obscene, disruptive, or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as harassment or disparagement of others based on their race/ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, or political beliefs

2. Intentionally uploading, downloading, or creating computer viruses and/or maliciously attempting to harm or destroy district equipment or materials or manipulate the data of any other user, including so-called "hacking"
3. Distributing personal identification information, including the name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other personally identifiable information, of another student, staff member, or other person with the intent to threaten, intimidate, harass, or ridicule that person

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly review current guidance regarding cybersecurity, data privacy, and digital media awareness and incorporate recommended practices into the district's processes and procedures related to the protection of the district's network infrastructure, the monitoring and response to cyberattacks, ensuring data privacy, and monitoring suspicious and/or threatening digital media content, in accordance with Board Policy 5125 - Student Records.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide age-appropriate instruction regarding safe and appropriate behavior on social networking sites, chat rooms, and other Internet services. Such instruction shall include, but not be limited to, the dangers of posting one's own personal identification information online, misrepresentation by online predators, how to report inappropriate or offensive content or threats, behaviors that constitute cyberbullying, and how to respond when subjected to cyberbullying.

Opioid Prevention and Life-Saving Response Procedures

Response to an Opioid Overdose/Safety Procedure for Narcan:

Narcan is available in the school office for emergency care for accidental overdose. Trained staff are equipped to assess and give Narcan on campus. Training includes viewing of the California Department of Public Health- Naloxone Training Video and follow-up verbal and written instructions from the school nurse.

Procedure to treat a suspected overdose:

If an overdose is suspected, staff will contact one of the following trained individuals: School Secretary, Superintendent/Principal, School Psychologist, or School Nurse. The trained individual will call 911 and retrieve the Narcan and AED from the AED cabinet in the office. A CPR mask will be available for use by personnel trained in CPR. They will follow the training instructions for assessment and administering Narcan. They will support students' breathing and monitor students' response until emergency medical care arrives. The AED will be used, only if necessary. Narcan may be repeated if needed every 2-3 minutes.

Response Procedures for Dangerous, Violent, or Unlawful Activities

Blochman Union School District takes effective procedures to respond to actual or potential workplace violence emergencies, including, but not limited to, all of the following in accordance with emergency operations procedures:

1. Using OneCall Now alerting system, that sends emails, texts, and voicemails to alert employees of the presence, location, and nature of workplace violence emergencies.
2. Maintaining emergency operation procedures that include evacuation and sheltering plans that are appropriate and feasible for the worksites.
3. Consulting and coordinating with local law enforcement and emergency services experts in the creation and maintenance of emergency operation procedures.
4. Obtaining help from staff (Superintendent or designee assigned to respond to workplace violence emergencies, and law enforcement through annual, and as needed, written assignment of duties on safety plan organization chart, and via the OneCall Now communication system and/or by calling 9-1-1.

Instructional Continuity Plan

Introduction and Purpose of the Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP)

Information about the Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) requirements, revision and adoption dates.

This Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) was last revised on 5/27/2025 and adopted by Benjamin Foxen Elementary School on 6/10/2025 to ensure all students have access to instruction during a natural disaster or emergency, as mandated by Senate Bill 153, Chapter 38, Statutes of 2024 (SB 153), which adds a provision to California Education Code (EC) Section 32282.

This ICP will be included in the LEA's Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) by July 1, 2025. Inclusion of this ICP in the CSSP will be required to obtain approval of a Form J-13A waiver request beginning in fiscal year 2026-27. This plan is intended to minimize disruptions to instruction and provide support for pupils' social-emotional, mental health, and academic needs.

Engagement with Pupils and Families

Protocol for Engagement

Protocol for engagement with pupils and their families.

As required, Benjamin Foxen Elementary School will engage with pupils and their families as soon as practicable, but **no later than five calendar days** following an emergency.

Methods of Two-Way Communication

Methods for two-way engagement.

The protocol for engagement with pupils and their families is designed to establish two-way communication. Current existing methods include:

- › Short messaging service (SMS)
- › Phone Calls
- › Email
- › School Portal
- › Social Media
- › Flyers

Plans for Unforeseen Events

Plans to address unforeseen events such as power outages and damage to infrastructure and how they may impact methods for two-way communication.

Blochman Union School District's Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) contains the district's Emergency Management Plan. This plan address our response to unforeseen events and how these events may impact two-way communication. This document is also a part of the CSSP. .

Support for Unique Needs

Plans designed to identify and provide support for pupils' social-emotional, mental health, and academic needs.

BUSD fosters a culture that promotes the health, safety, and well-being of scholars, staff, and parents. In an effort to continuously support this effort, the school reminds families of the mental health service available through our school psychologist and through CALM.

Our school psychologist, is available five days a week to consult with parents and teachers to find ways to support children who may need additional social emotional supports at school. For more information of the confidential support available to students or to request services, please contact Samuel Orozco, our school psychologist, at sorozco@blochmanusd.org

CALM is confidential support available to children and families by phone and virtually using a computer through Telehealth. For more information or to request services, please call (805) 614-9160.

Community members and organizations interested in training, presentations or support via webinar, please contact Manager of Clinical Training, Mariana Harms, LMFT at (805)965-2376 ext. 251 or mharms@calm4kids.org

CALM is maintaining a significant presence in local households and schools to ensure the health and well-being of their clients in the Central Coast.

CALM takes into account all types of private insurance including MediCal, Medicaid, and Medicare, and those that have no insurance.

Access to Instruction

Timeline for Access to Instruction

Timeline for access to instruction no more than 10 instructional days following the emergency.

As required, Benjamin Foxen Elementary School will provide access to in-person or remote instruction as soon as practicable, but **no more than 10 instructional days** following the emergency.

Conditions for Resuming Access to In-Person Instruction

Conditions under which in-person instruction will resume and any alternative sites or arrangements considering various aspects of recovery.

Outlined below are conditions under which in-person instruction will resume and any alternative sites or arrangements considering various aspects of recovery, including:

- Evacuation orders lifted
- Power and utilities functioning
- Healthy air quality
- Access to safe and clean water
- Campus free from debris and hazards
- Internet fiber lines connected and functioning
- Sufficient staff available
- Kitchens operational for meals

Remote Instruction

Plans for remote instruction.

As required, Benjamin Foxen Elementary School remote instruction will align with EC sections 51747 and 51749.5, governing Independent Study instruction modalities. Remote instruction will be designed to meet instructional standards that are, at minimum, equivalent to those applicable in independent study programs.

If it has been determined that it is not safe for students to be physically present on campus the district will revert to a distant learning (DL) schedule. Each student will be issued a tablet or Chromebook. All necessary books and supplies will be sent home with each student. The district's technology department will work with families to make sure they have the necessary internet access. Students will receive daily instruction (Monday through Friday) from their teachers based on the following schedule.

Kindergarten and TK

8:30 am – 9:30 am

Break

9:40 am – 10:25 am

Break

10:35 am – 11:20 am

1st Grade through 5th Grade

8:30 am – 9:45 am Language Arts

Break

9:55 am – 11:10 am Math

11:10 am – 12:00 pm Social Studies/Science

6th Grade through 8th Grade

8:30 am - 9:30 am

6th Math

7th Social Studies

8th Language Arts

9:35 am - 10:35 am

6th Social Studies

7th Language Arts

8th Math

10:40 am - 11:40 am

6th Language Arts

7th Math

8th Social Studies

LUNCH

12:10pm - 1:10pm

6th Science

7th Science

8th Science

Access to Instructional Materials

Methods for distributing digital and non-digital materials.

As required, remote instruction offered will align with expectations of access and equity.

Access to Schoolwork

Platforms and processes for accessing and submitting schoolwork.

As required, remote instruction offered will align with expectations of access and equity.

Distance Learning Expectations:

Teachers

Objective: Identify clear learning objectives for all assignments; provide clear directions; and, check for understanding.

Responsibility: Use multimedia materials to impart instruction, create interactive lessons, and ensure the continuation of the learning progression.

Expectation: Specify assignment requirements & length contained in a Google Classroom, Weekly, and Daily Schedule.

Organization: Organize your time and let students know when you are providing instruction and/or available online.

Students

Objective: Ensure you understand the learning objectives.

Responsibility: Complete tasks and assignments using your best efforts.

Expectation: Monitor your learning to meet expectations and submit work on time.

Organization: Organize your time; follow the learning schedule provided by your teacher(s).

Parents

Objective: Provide a dedicated learning space for your child/children.

Responsibility: Help your child follow the online learning schedule; Provide essential support to your child during the morning hours to complete assignments.

Expectation: Check tasks & learning objectives on Google Classroom, Weekly/ Daily Schedule.

Organization: Expect your child to complete tasks and assignments on time by utilizing their best efforts.

Key learning principles:

- Break learning into smaller chunks.
- Be clear about expectations for online participation.
- Provide immediate (or at least frequent) feedback through online knowledge checks, comments on collaborative documents, and chat to keep students motivated and moving forward.
- Include virtual meetings, live chats, or video tutorials to maintain a human connection.

Temporary Reassignment

Procedures and agreements for temporary reassignment with neighboring LEAs.

Benjamin Foxen Elementary School provides support to pupils and families to enroll in or be temporarily reassigned to another site, school district, county office of education, or charter school if an emergency or natural disaster disrupts in-person learning:

Instructional Continuity

Communication Protocols

Communication protocols for families, students, staff and faculty, including how information will be made available and with what frequency including methods and timelines.

The protocol for engagement with families, students, staff, and faculty is designed to establish two-way communication. Current existing methods include:

- *Short messaging service (SMS)
- *Phone Calls
- *Email
- *School Portal
- *Social Media
- *Flyers

Communication will be sent in a timely manner as frequently as necessary.

Technological Readiness

Technology readiness for educators and students to support a pivot from in-person to remote learning through independent study including early access to independent study program written agreements, online access to assignments and academic resources, assignment of devices, online instructional platform and access to internet and devices.

The district's technology department will work with families to make sure they have the necessary technology equipment and internet access. Independent study program written agreements will be posted on the district website. Online access to assignments and academic resources are hosted on off-campus servers and should be available in the event of a school closure.

Instruction and Assessment

Prioritization of essential learning, making standards-aligned learning objectives, methods for monitoring progress and additional support whenever possible, including tutoring, check-ins, virtual office hours or other methods.

Distance Learning Expectations for Teachers:

Objective: Identify clear learning objectives for all assignments; provide clear directions; and, check for understanding.

Responsibility: Use multimedia materials to impart instruction, create interactive lessons, and ensure the continuation of the learning progression.

Expectation: Specify assignment requirements & length contained in a Google Classroom, Weekly, and Daily Schedule.

Organization: Organize your time and let students know when you are providing instruction and/or available online.

Access (Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion)

Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion

How all students, including those with disabilities, those experiencing homelessness, foster youth, or English learner (EL) students will continue to have equal access to instructional resources.

BUSD offers a robust system of support for all students, including those with disabilities, those experiencing homelessness, foster youth, and English learner (EL) students based on a three-tier system of supports for mental health, social emotional and academic needs. Students are first identified and referred for an SST (Student Success Team) by their teacher or parent to discuss and develop a plan of action to support struggling students at the tier two level. After a while, if interventions do not appear to be helping the student achieve specified goals, students are either referred for a follow-up SST where interventions are adjusted or an evaluation is proposed to determine if they require Special Education Services.

Individualized Education Plans (IEP)

How will IEPs continue to be provided and maintained.

All students will have access to the same support in case of closure. For students with IEPs, individualized supports will be provided in accordance with the emergency conditions provisions section of their IEP.

English Learners (EL)

How will EL students continue to be supported in alignment with the California English Learner Roadmap Policy.

In the event of an emergency closure, the school will continue to ensure that EL students receive instruction in a holistic approach, addressing every aspect of schooling that impacts English Learners.

Professional Learning

Professional learning opportunities and resources utilized to if the need to pivot to remote instruction and assessment arises.

Teachers have access to support on curriculum publisher's portals. For example, science training is provided for the National Geographic Science Curriculum in grades K- 6 through the NGLSync Portal. The website offers direct access to training and professional development in support of teachers using the curriculum via Cengage/MindTap Help for Elementary Teachers. Access allows teachers to provide engaging content with support in lesson planning for courses, generating assessments, grading, and reporting on student progress while utilizing course materials provided by the publisher.

The Superintendent/Principal periodically checks in with teachers to discuss training and the availability of necessary resources for successfully teaching science to our students.

Well-Being and Support Services

How the LEA will provide access to physical and mental health professionals, including those who speak languages other than English.

Our bi-lingual school psychologist, is available five days a week to consult with parents and teachers to find ways to support children who may need additional social emotional supports at school. For more information of the confidential support available to students or to request services, please contact Samuel Orozco, our school psychologist, at sorozco@blochmanusd.org

BUSD has adopted the Second Step Program for all students TK-8. The Second Step program is a widely used social-emotional learning (SEL) curriculum designed to help students develop crucial life skills, particularly for those in preschool through junior high. It aims to teach children how to manage their emotions, solve problems, and build positive relationships. The program also includes components focused on bullying prevention and child abuse prevention.

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BLOCHMAN's MULTI-TIERED SYSTEM OF SUPPORT(MTSS)

TIER 3

- Highly targeted intervention plan
- Behavior intervention
- Teacher-student-parent-school-psychologist-principal conference
- Behavior intervention plan created; alternate learning areas developed
- Suspension, if legally appropriate
- Social/emotional interventions
- Individual counseling

TIER 2

- Targeted student intervention and support behavior intervention
- Teacher-Student-Parent conference
- Restorative approaches
- Problem solving plan/behavior contract
- Social emotional interventions
- small group counseling Individual counseling
- Play therapies

TIER 1

- All students participate in school-wide expectations
- Teacher to student classroom management plans
- Teacher check-ins with students

Plans to provide access back-up, water and medicines in the event of an emergency.

Please refer to the attached Emergency Management Plan.

Plans to ensure continuity of other support services, including special education, counseling, after-school programs, and access to kitchens and food services, adapting these services to the online or hybrid environment when necessary.

Special education services, counseling, ELOP can generally be provided in an on-line environment. The food services department can provide non-congregate feeding as allowed by the USDA.

Site-Based Collaboration

How administrators, faculty, information technology staff, students, and parents will collaborate in the development and implementation of this ICP.

Due to the short timeline for preparing the ICP, only administrators and the School Site Council (which consists of faculty, students, and parents) were involved in the collaboration process for developing and implementing this ICP.

Return to Site-Based Learning

Conditions that must be met prior to returning from disruption including reopening sites.

Outlined below are conditions under which in-person instruction will resume and any alternative sites or arrangements considering various aspects of recovery, including:

- Evacuation orders lifted
- Power and utilities functioning
- Healthy air quality
- Access to safe and clean water
- Campus free from debris and hazards
- Internet fiber lines connected and functioning
- Sufficient staff available
- Kitchens operational for meals

Integration with Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP)

Integration of this Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) into Benjamin Foxen Elementary School's Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP).

This Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) will be included as an integral component of Benjamin Foxen Elementary School's Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) by July 1, 2025, as required by SB 153. The information in this ICP will be considered in relation to other aspects of the existing safety plan. A locally-adopted CSSP must include this ICP to obtain approval of a Form J-13A waiver request beginning in fiscal year 2026-27.

Review and Updates of this Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP)

Frequency of review and update of this ICP.

This Instructional Continuity Plan will be reviewed and updated in collaboration with Educational Partners, considering feedback and lessons learned on the following basis:

The School Site Council and the Board of Education will review and update this plan on an annual basis.

Procedures for Immigration Enforcement Notification

Confirmation Protocol

Detail the specific process and designated staff member (e.g., principal, superintendent) responsible for confirming the presence of immigration enforcement on the schoolsite, which triggers the notification requirement.

District staff shall report the presence of any law enforcement officer on district property for immigration enforcement purposes to the Superintendent or designee. Unless a law enforcement officer declares that exigent circumstances exist and demands immediate access to the campus, district staff shall take the following actions when such an officer is actually or imminently present on district property for immigration enforcement purposes:

1. Advise the officer that before school personnel can respond to the officer's request, they must first receive notification and direction from the Superintendent, principal, or designee, except under exigent circumstances that necessitate immediate action
2. Request to see and record or otherwise document the officer's credentials, including the officer's name and badge number, and the phone number of the officer's supervisor, and note or make a copy of all such information
3. Ask the officer for, and then record or otherwise document, the officer's reason for being on district property
4. Request that the officer produce any documentation that authorizes the officer's school access, make copies of all such documentation, and retain at least one copy for district records
5. Contact and consult with the district's legal counsel or Superintendent or designee
6. Follow the direction from the district's legal counsel or Superintendent or designee

If the officer declares that exigent circumstances exist and demands immediate access to the campus, district staff shall comply with the officer's orders and immediately contact the Superintendent or designee and then the district's legal counsel.

Regardless of whether the officer declares that exigent circumstances exist, district staff shall not attempt to physically impede the officer, even if the officer appears to be acting outside the law or in excess of the officer's stated or documented authorization. If an officer enters the premises without consent, district staff shall document the officer's actions while on campus but only to the extent that it does not impede the officer's actions.

After the officer leaves district property, district staff shall promptly make written notes of all interactions with the officer, including:

1. A list or copy of the officer's credentials and contact information, if known
2. The identity of all other district staff known to have communicated with the officer
3. A description of the officer's request and activities
4. The type of documentation, such as a warrant or subpoena, that authorized the officer's request or actions, what was requested by the documentation, and whether the documentation was signed by a judge
5. District staff's response to the officer's request
6. Any further action taken by the officer
7. Copies of any documents presented by the officer

District staff shall promptly provide a copy of these notes and any associated documents district staff has collected from the officer to the district's legal counsel or other district official designated by the Superintendent.

The district's legal counsel or the Superintendent or designee shall submit a timely report to the Governing Board regarding the officer's requests and actions and the district's response. (Education Code 234.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall also email the Bureau of Children's Justice in the California Department of Justice (BCJ@doj.ca.gov) regarding any attempt by a law enforcement officer to access a school site or a student for immigration enforcement purposes.

Required Notification Recipients

The procedures must ensure notification is issued to the following groups:

- Parents and guardians of pupils
- Teachers
- Administrators
- School personnel

Except in cases of suspected child abuse, neglect, or dependency matters, local educational agencies must immediately notify parents or guardians if they release a student to a law-enforcement officer, including an ICE officer, for the purpose of removing the student from the school premises. And except in suspected child abuse, neglect, or dependency matters, California law does not prohibit schools from notifying parents or guardians before law enforcement officers question a child at school.

The Superintendent or designee must receive consent from the student's parent or guardian before a student can be interviewed or searched by any officer seeking to enforce the civil immigration laws at the school, unless the officer presents a valid, effective warrant signed by a judge, or presents a valid, effective court order.

Teachers, administrators, and school site personnel must also receive notification of the presence of any law enforcement officer on district property for immigration enforcement purposes.

Notification Timing

Specify the timeline for issuing notification following confirmation, ensuring it aligns with safety goals and minimizes panic.

The Superintendent or designee shall immediately, if possible, but no later than the end of the day, notify the student's parents or guardians if an officer or employee of an agency requests or gains access to a student for immigration enforcement purposes, unless such access was in compliance with a judicial warrant or subpoena that restricts the disclosure of the information to the parent or guardian. Teachers, administrators, and school site personnel must also receive immediate, if possible, but no later than the end of the day, notification of the presence of any law enforcement officer on district property for immigration enforcement purposes.

Safety and Well-being Standard

The content and timing of the notification shall consider the safety and well-being of the pupils, employees, and community members of the schoolsite.

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While school personnel should not consent to an officer seeking access for immigration enforcement purposes, except with the exceptions as described above, they should not attempt to physically impede the officer, even if the officer appears to be exceeding the authorization given under a warrant or other document. If an officer enters the premises without consent, school personnel shall document their actions while on campus and if feasible, accompany them at all times.

Privacy Constraint

The notification shall not include any personally identifiable information.

Any notification issued regarding immigration enforcement must not include any personally identifiable information.

- **Restricted Content:** Notifications cannot name specific students, faculty, or staff members being questioned or detained.
- **Focus of Notice:** The alert is intended to be informational for the community, highlighting only the date, time, and specific location of the enforcement activity.

Notification Methods

Specify the secure methods used for two-way communication to reach the required recipients, such as mass communication systems, email, or school portals, and detail how these methods are maintained.

The district may use multiple notification methods, including the use of our secure automated phone system, One Call Now. This system provides for direct phone calls and emails to parents or guardians, teachers, administrators, and school site personnel.

Resource Provision (Optional but Encouraged)

The notification may include a hyperlink to additional resources for families regarding:

- Educational rights
- State laws that protect parents' and students' privacy and confidentiality

- Counseling or support services (including services that support families impacted by immigration enforcement and model policies adopted by the LEA).

Annual Evaluation

This plan will be evaluated and amended, as needed, by the school safety planning committee, but shall be evaluated at least once a year.

This plan will be evaluated and amended, as needed, by the School Site Council and approved by the Board of Education, but shall be evaluated at least once a year.

Public Availability

An updated file of all safety-related plans and materials shall be readily available for inspection by the public.

An updated file of all safety-related plans and materials shall be readily available for inspection by the public in the district office and on the district website.

State Guidance

Compliance with this plan should align with the checklist for developing a comprehensive school safety plan, which the Department of Education is required to maintain and conspicuously post on its internet website

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Procedures Regarding Pupil Smartphone Use During Emergencies

The Governing Board recognizes that student use of smartphones and other mobile communication devices on campus may be beneficial to student learning and well-being, and could be harmful and disruptive of the instructional program in some circumstances. When on campus or when under the supervision of district employees, students may use smartphones and other mobile communication devices only as permitted under this policy.

Students may use smartphones or other mobile communication devices on campus during noninstructional time as long as the device is utilized in accordance with law and any applicable school rules.
Mobile communication devices shall be turned off during instructional time.

However, a student shall not be prohibited from possessing or using a mobile communication device under any of the following circumstances: (Education Code 48901.5, 48901.7)

1. In the case of an emergency, or in response to a perceived threat of danger
2. When a teacher or administrator grants permission to the student to possess or use a mobile communication device, subject to any reasonable limitation imposed by that teacher or administrator
3. When a licensed physician or surgeon determines that the possession or use is necessary for the student's health and well-being
4. When the possession or use is required by the student's individualized education program

The Superintendent or designee may undertake measures or strategies in accordance with law, to limit student access to smartphones and other mobile communication devices on campus. (Education Code 48901.7)

Smartphones and other mobile communication devices shall not be used in any manner which infringes on the privacy rights of any other person.

A student's personal electronic device shall not be searched without the consent of the student's parent/guardian, except pursuant to a lawfully issued warrant, when a school official, in good faith, believes that an emergency involving danger of death or serious physical injury to the student or others requires access to the electronic device information, or when the search is otherwise permitted pursuant to Penal Code 1546.1.

When a student uses a mobile communication device in an unauthorized manner while at a school site or under the supervision and control of a district employee, the student may be disciplined and the district employee may temporarily confiscate the device. The employee shall store the device securely until it is returned to the student or turned over to the principal or designee, as appropriate.

A student may also be subject to discipline, in accordance with law, Board policy, or administrative regulation, for off-campus use of a mobile communication device which poses a threat or danger to the safety of students, staff, or district property or substantially disrupts school activities.

The district will not be responsible or liable for a student's mobile communication device which is brought on campus or to a school activity and is lost, stolen, or damaged.

The Board shall review and, as necessary, update this policy at least once every five years. Any such review or update shall include significant stakeholder participation to ensure that the policy is responsive to the unique needs and desires of the school community.

Mandatory Policy Adoption and Review Requirements

The date the policy was adopted/last updated, a summary of the policy's goal, and documentation of stakeholder involvement.

This policy was last reviewed on 5/13/2025 at a properly noticed public meeting of the Board of Education. Stakeholders were encouraged to comment at that time. The Governing Board recognizes that student use of smartphones and other mobile communication devices on campus may be beneficial to student learning and well-being, and could be harmful and disruptive of the instructional program in some circumstances. When on campus or when under the supervision of district employees, students may use smartphones and other mobile communication devices only as permitted under this policy.

Non-Prohibitable Circumstances for Pupil Smartphone Use

Confirm procedures for recognizing and respecting these exceptions:

1. When a teacher or administrator grants permission, subject to any reasonable limitation imposed by that teacher or administrator.
2. When a licensed physician and surgeon determines that the possession or use of a smartphone is necessary for the health or well-being of the pupil.
3. When the possession or use of a smartphone is required in a pupil's individualized education program (IEP).

A student shall not be prohibited from possessing or using a mobile communication device under any of the following circumstances: (Education Code 48901.5, 48901.7)

1. In the case of an emergency, or in response to a perceived threat of danger
2. When a teacher or administrator grants permission to the student to possess or use a mobile communication device, subject to any reasonable limitation imposed by that teacher or administrator
3. When a licensed physician or surgeon determines that the possession or use is necessary for the student's health and well-being
4. When the possession or use is required by the student's individualized education program

Safety Plan Review, Evaluation and Amendment Procedures

The safety plan will be reviewed on an annual basis by the School Site Council and subsequently approved by the Board of Education.

Emergency Contact Numbers

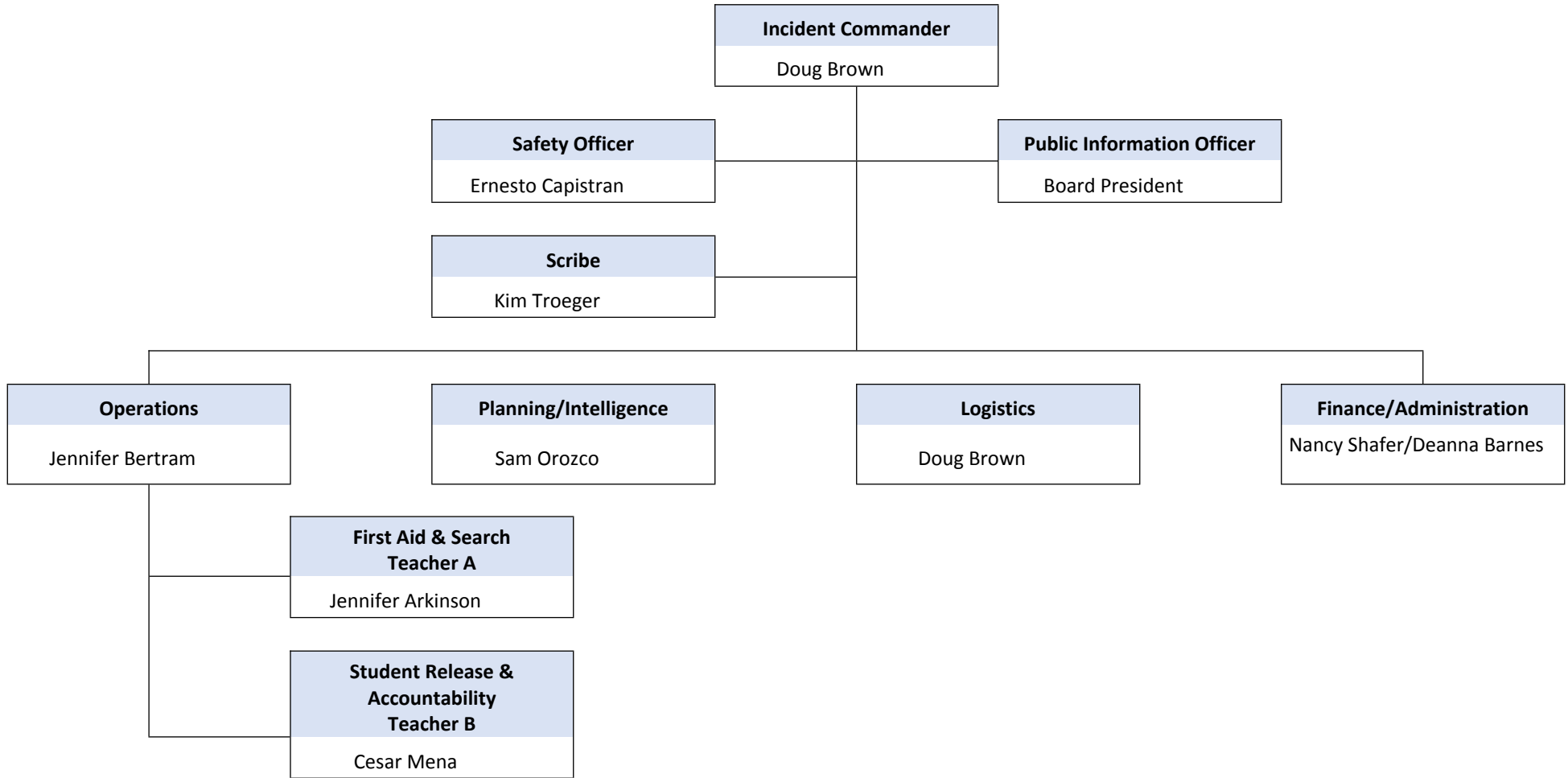
Utilities, Responders and Communication Resources

Type	Vendor	Number	Comments
Law Enforcement/Fire/Paramedic	Santa Barbara County Sheriff	805-934-6150	Emergency call 911
Law Enforcement/Fire/Paramedic	California Highway Patrol	805-349-8728	Emergency call 911
Law Enforcement/Fire/Paramedic	Santa Barbara County Probation Dept.	805-739-8550	
Law Enforcement/Fire/Paramedic	Santa Barbara County Fire Dept	805-934-6294	Emergency call 911
Law Enforcement/Fire/Paramedic	American Medical Response Ambulance	805-922-1514	Emergency call 911
Emergency Services	Poison Control Center	800-222-1222	
American National Red Cross	Red Cross Santa Maria Chapter	805-928-0801	
Other	Santa Barbara County Health Dept	805-346-8450	
Other	Santa Barbara County Animal Control	805-934-6119	
Public Utilities	Pacific Gas & Electric	800-743-5000	

Safety Plan Review, Evaluation and Amendment Procedures

Activity Description (i.e. review steps, meetings conducted, approvals, etc)	Date and Time	Attached Document (description and location)
Review by Superintendent	October 2025	
Review by emergency response personnel	October 2025	Fire/Sheriff
Review and approval by School Site Council	01/27/2026	School Site Council Minutes and Sign in Sheet

Benjamin Foxen Elementary School Incident Command System



Incident Command Team Responsibilities

Standardized Emergency Response Management System Overview

The California Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) is designed to centralize and coordinate emergency response through the use of standardized terminology and processes. This greatly facilitates the flow of information and resources among the agencies participating in response to an emergency. SEMS consists of five functions:

Management

During an emergency, the Incident Commander directs response actions from a designated Command Post. To effectively do this, the Incident Commander must constantly assess the situation, and develop and implement appropriate strategies. The Incident Commander must be familiar with the available resources, accurately document all response actions, and effectively communicate response strategies to others participating in the response. This function is typically filled by the school principal. The principal is assisted in carrying out this function by a Public Information & Liaison Officer and Safety Officer.

Planning & Intelligence

Planning and Intelligence involves the use of various methods to efficiently gather information, weigh and document the information for significance, and actively assess the status of the emergency. This understanding and knowledge about the situation at hand is vital to the effective management of a response. These activities are performed by a single person who reports directly to the Incident Commander.

Operations

All response actions are implemented under by Operations. This includes staff performing first aid, crisis intervention, search and rescue, site security, damage assessment, evacuations, and the release of students.

Logistics

Logistics supports the response by coordinating personnel; assembling and deploying volunteers; providing supplies, equipment, and services; and facilitating communications among emergency responders.

Finance & Administration

Finance & Administration involves the purchasing of all necessary materials, tracking financial records, timekeeping for emergency responders, and recovering school records following an emergency. These activities are performed by a single person who reports directly to the Incident Commander.

Emergency Response Guidelines

Step One: Identify the Type of Emergency

Step Two: Identify the Level of Emergency

- Level 1: A Minor emergency handled by School Personnel without assistance from outside agencies: temporary power outage, minor earthquake, injury to student, etc.
- Level 2: A Moderate emergency that requires assistance from outside agencies: fire, moderate earthquake, hazardous material accident, etc.
- Level 3: A Major emergency event that requires assistance from outside agencies: major earthquake, civil disturbance, large scale act of terrorism, etc.

Step Three: Determine the Immediate Response Action

- Duck and Cover
- Shelter In Place
- Lockdown
- Evacuate Building(s)
- Off-Site Evacuation
- All Clear

Step Four: Communicate the Appropriate Response Action

DUCK AND COVER

1.The Principal or designee will make the following announcement on the PA system. If the PA system is not available, the Principal or designee will use other means of communication, such as messengers to deliver instructions. The Principal or designee should be calm, convey reassuring comments that the situation is under control and give clear directions.

Announcement:

“YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE. DUCK, COVER AND HOLD ON. DUCK, COVER AND HOLD ON. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO FOLLOW.”

2. If inside, teachers will instruct students to duck under their desks and cover their heads with their arms and hands.

3. If outside, teachers will instruct students to drop to the ground, place their heads between their knees and cover their heads with their arms and hands.

4. Teachers and students should move away from windows.

SHELTER- IN-PLACE

This action is taken to place and/or keep students indoors in order to provide a greater level of protection from airborne contaminants in outside air. Shelter-In-Place is implemented when there is a need to isolate students and staff from the outside environment and includes the shut down of classroom and/or building air systems. During Shelter-In-Place, no one should be exposed to the outside air.

Announcement:

"YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE.
SHELTER IN PLACE...SHELTER IN PLACE.
STUDENTS AND STAFF ARE TO REMAIN INSIDE THE
BUILDING AWAY FROM OUTSIDE AIR WITH
WINDOWS CLOSED AND DOORS SECURELY CLOSED
AND AIR CONDITIONING UNITS TURNED OFF.
ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO ARE OUTSIDE, ARE TO IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO THE PROTECTION OF AN
INSIDE ROOM. AS SOON AS WE FURTHER
INFORMATION, WE WILL SHARE IT WITH YOU."

1. If inside, teachers keep students in classroom until further instructions are given.
2. If outside during passing period, students proceed to the next period classroom immediately if it is safe to do so. If not, teachers and staff are to direct students into nearby classrooms or other school buildings. Teachers are to consider location and proximity of identified hazard and if necessary, proceed to an alternative indoor location.
3. Teachers secure individual classrooms while Safety/Security Team assists completing procedures as needed: shut down classroom/building(s), air system, turn off local fans in area, close and lock doors and windows. If necessary, seal gaps under doors and windows with wet towels or duct tape. Seal vents with aluminum foil or plastic wrap if available and turn off sources of ignition, such as pilot lights.

LOCK DOWN

Action taken when threat of violence or gunfire is identified or directed by law enforcement and it is necessary to prevent perpetrator(s) from entering occupied areas. During Lock Down, students remain in classrooms or designated locations at all times. See the section entitled Armed Assault on Campus for further instructions on dealing with an active shooter.

Announcement:

"YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE.
LOCK DOWN... LOCK DOWN.
IMPLEMENT LOCK DOWN PROCEDURES.
TEACHERS ARE TO LOCK CLASSROOM DOORS AND
KEEP ALL STUDENTS INSIDE THE CLASSROOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR UNTIL NOTIFIED BY AN
ADMINISTRATOR OR LAW ENFORCEMENT.
IF YOU ARE OUTSIDE, STUDENTS AND STAFF ARE TO PROCEED INSIDE THE NEAREST BUILDING OR CLASSROOM IMMEDIATELY. LOCK
DOWN."

1. If inside, teachers instruct students to lie on floor, lock doors and close any shades or blinds if safe to do so.
2. If outside, students proceed to their classrooms if it safe to do so. If not, teachers or staff are to direct students into nearby classrooms or school buildings.
3. Call 911.
4. Teachers and students remain in classroom or secured area until further instructions are given by School Administration and/or

law enforcement.

5. Front entrance is to be secured. No visitors, other than appropriate law enforcement or emergency personnel are allowed on campus.

EVACUATE BUILDING

Action taken after decision is made that it is unsafe to remain in the building.

Announcement:

“YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE...PLEASE EVACUATE ALL BUILDINGS. EVACUATE ALL BUILDINGS.

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS ARE TO EVACUATE TO THEIR DESIGNATED ASSEMBLY AREA. LOCK DOORS AS YOU ARE EXITING.

EVACUATE ALL BUILDINGS.”

1. Principal or designee initiates fire alarm.
2. Teachers instruct students to evacuate building, using designated routes and assemble in their assigned assembly/shelter area.
3. Teachers secure student roster when leaving building and take attendance once class is assembled in pre-designated safe location. Once assembled, teachers and students stay in place until further instructions are given.

ALL CLEAR

Action taken to notify teachers that normal school operations can resume

Announcement:

“YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE...IT IS NOW OKAY TO RETURN TO YOUR CLASSROOM AND RESUME NORMAL OPERATIONS.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK AND COMMEND ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF OF BLOCHMAN FOR THEIR COOPERATION.

1. This action signifies the emergency is over.
2. If appropriate, teachers immediately begin discussions and activities to address student’s fears, anxieties, and other concerns.

Types of Emergencies & Specific Procedures

Aircraft Crash

Address situations involving and Aircraft Crash on or in proximity to school property.

Procedure

1. Call 911. School Administrator initiates appropriate immediate Response Action.
2. If school Administrator issues Evacuate Building action, staff and students evacuate buildings by prescribed routes or other safe routes to assembly/shelter area.
3. Teachers bring their student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Student Care Team notified of any missing students.
4. If on school property, Safety/Security secures crash area to prevent unauthorized access. For fuel or chemical spill on school property or utility interruption see appropriate section of Emergency Response Guide.
5. School Administrator directs Safety/Security Team to organize fire suppression activities until Fire Department arrives.
6. Medical Team checks injuries and provides appropriate first aid.
7. Any affected areas closed until appropriate public safety and hazardous materials agency provide clearance and School Administrator issues authorization to do so.
8. If it is unsafe to remain on campus, School Administrator initiates Off-Site Evacuation.

Animal Disturbance

Procedure implemented when presence of a vicious animal or any wild animal threatens safety of students and staff.

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Lock Down or Evacuate Building.
2. Staff members attempt to isolate animal from students and staff, if it is safe to do so. If animal is outside, students are kept inside. If animal is inside, students remain outside away from animal. Isolate animal if possible.
3. For outside assistance, School Administrator is to call 911. If the situation is not life threatening, you can call the following appropriate number:

Santa Barbara County Animal Control (805) 934-6119
4. If staff member or student is injured, School/District Nurse, District Office and parent is notified.
5. School Administrator initiates Off-Site Evacuation if warranted.

Biological or Chemical Release

BIOLOGICAL OR CHEMICAL RELEASE

A biological or Chemical Release involves discharge of a biological or chemical substance in a solid, liquid or gaseous state. The release of radioactive materials may happen. Common chemical threats within or adjacent to schools include discharge of acid in a school laboratory, overturned truck of hazardous materials in proximity of the school, or a nearby explosion at oil refinery, chemical plant or railroad yard.

Indicators suggesting the release of a biological or chemical substance: multiple victims suffering from watery eyes, twitching, choking or loss of coordination, or having trouble breathing. Other indicators may include an unusual odor or the presence of distressed animals or dead birds.

Scenario 1- Substance Released Inside a Room or Building

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates Evacuate Building. Staff uses designated routes or other alternative safe routes to assigned assembly/shelter site, located upwind of affected room or building.
2. School Administrator call 911, providing exact location and nature of emergency.
3. School Administrator notifies District of situation.
4. Access to potentially contaminated areas is restricted.
5. Safety/Security Teams turns off local fans in area of release, closes windows and doors and shuts down the building's air system, if this can be done without exposure to released substance.
6. Persons who have come into direct contact with hazardous substances move to an area with fresh, clean air and wash with soap and water. Immediately remove and contain contaminated clothing. Do not use bleach or other disinfectants on potentially exposed skin. Individuals who have been contaminated "topically" by a liquid are segregated from unaffected individuals (isolation does not apply to widespread airborne releases). Affected individuals remain isolated until cleared for by release by Santa Barbara County HazMat Interagency Team or Santa Barbara County Health Department. A member of Medical Team assesses need for medical attention, but should not come in contact with exposed persons unless fully protected with personal protective equipment.
7. Operation Section Chief provides a list of all people in affected room or contaminated area, specifying those who may have had actual contact with substance.
8. Any affected areas will not be reopened until Santa Barbara County HazMat Interagency Team or appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administrator gives authorization to do so.

Scenario 2- Substance Released Outdoors and Localized

Procedure

1. School Administrator determines appropriate immediate Response Action, which may include Shelter-In-Place or Evacuate Building while directing staff to remove students from affected areas to area upwind from the release.
2. Safety/Security Team establishes safe perimeter around affected area and ensures personnel do not reenter area.
3. School Administrator calls "911," providing exact location and nature of emergency.
4. School Administrator notifies District of situation.
A District Representative shall immediately notify the State Office of Emergency Services, (800) 852-7550 and advise of the situation.
5. Safety/Security Teams turns off local fans in area of release, closes windows and doors and shuts down the building's air system, if this can be done without exposure to released substance.
6. Persons who have come into direct contact with hazardous substances move to an area with fresh, clean air and wash with soap

and water. Immediately remove and contain contaminated clothing. Do not use bleach or other disinfectants on potentially exposed skin. Individuals who have been contaminated “topically” by a liquid are segregated from unaffected individuals (isolation does not apply to widespread airborne releases).

Affected individuals remain isolated until cleared for by release by Santa Barbara County HazMat Interagency Team or Santa Barbara County Health Department. A member of Medical Team assesses need for medical attention, but should not come in contact with exposed persons unless fully protected with personal protective equipment.

7. Operations Section Chief provides list of all people in areas of contamination, especially those who may have had actual contact with substance.

8. Any affected areas will not be reopened until Santa Barbara County Interagency HazMat Team or appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administrator gives authorization to do so.

Scenario 3: Substance Released In Surrounding Community Procedure

1. School Administrator or local authorities determine potentially toxic substance has been released into the atmosphere. School Administrator initiates Shelter-In-Place.

2. Upon receiving Shelter-In-Place, notification, Safety/Security Team turns off local fans in area; closes and locks doors and windows; shuts down all building’s air conditioning systems; seals gaps under doors and windows with wet towels and/or duct tape; seals vents with aluminum foil or plastic wrap, and turns off sources of ignition, such as pilot lights.

3. Staff and students located outdoors are directed to proceed immediately to nearby classrooms or buildings. Teachers communicate their locations to School Administrator, using the PA system or other means without leaving the building.

4. School Administrator “calls 911”, providing exact location and nature of emergency.

5. School Administration notifies District Office of situation.

6. School remains in Shelter-In-Place until County of Santa Barbara HazMat Team or appropriate agency provides clearance, or staff is otherwise notified by School Administrator.

Bus Disaster

Our busses are operated by American Star Tours. Their emergency preparedness policy is as follows

Evacuation Drills

- District conducts at least one evacuation drill per school year in compliance with California Education Code 39831.5
- Drivers must explain evacuation procedures to students at the start of each school year.

Emergency Equipment

- Each bus must carry:
 1. First aid kit
 2. Fire extinguisher
 3. Reflective triangles/flares
 - Equipment inspected daily by driver and monthly by transportation supervisor.

Incident Response

In case of crash, fire, or medical emergency:

1. Secure the bus and ensure student safety first.
2. Contact dispatch and 911.
3. Begin evacuation if needed.
4. Account for all students.
5. Complete accident/incident reports immediately.

Our school operated van follows similar safety procedures.

Cardiac Arrest

From the American Heart Association website:

Cardiac arrest can strike without warning. The signs are:

- Sudden loss of responsiveness – The person doesn't respond, even if you tap them hard on the shoulders or ask loudly if they're OK. The person doesn't move, speak, blink or otherwise react.
- No normal breathing – The person isn't breathing or is only gasping for air.

What to do:

If you think the person may be suffering cardiac arrest and you're trained in CPR:

- Ensure scene safety.
- Check for response.
- Shout for help. Tell someone nearby to call 911 or your emergency response number. Ask that person or another bystander to bring you an AED (automated external defibrillator) that is located on the wall in the front office. Tell them to hurry – time is critical. If you're alone with an adult who has signs of cardiac arrest, call 911 and get the AED from the front office.
- Check for no breathing or only gasping. If the person isn't breathing or is only gasping, begin CPR with compressions.
- Administer high-quality CPR. Push down at least two inches in the center of the chest at a rate of 100 to 120 pushes a minute. Allow the chest to come back up to its normal position after each push.
- Use an AED. As soon as it arrives, turn it on and follow the prompts.
- Continue CPR. Administer it until the person starts to breathe or move, or until someone with more advanced training, such as an EMS team member, takes over.

Disorderly Conduct

DISORDERLY CONDUCT (INDIVIDUAL)

Disorderly Conduct may involve a student or staff member exhibiting threatening or irrational behavior. If perpetrator is armed, refer to Armed Assault on Campus Procedures.

Procedure

1. Upon witnessing Disorderly Conduct, staff takes steps to calm and control situation and attempt to isolate perpetrator from other students and staff, if it is safe to do so.
2. Staff immediately notifies a School Administrator.
3. School Administrator assesses situation and calls Police Department for officers to respond. Continued assessment is necessary for deployment of additional officers to respond and assist from other agencies. District personnel on scene "calls 911."
4. If immediate threat is not clearly evident, School Administrator may attempt to diffuse situation. Approach perpetrator in calm, non-confrontational manner and request he/she cooperate and try to talk. For safety, the perpetrator may be detained and handcuffed for their safety and safety of others.
5. If perpetrator is a student, an attempt is made to notify the family. (Family members may have information and provide information on handling the student.)
6. School Administrator notifies District Office of situation.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT/RIOT (GROUPS)

Disorderly Conduct or Riot is large gathering of students who become out of control and participate in violent or non-violent activities. Keeping majority of students not involved in this type of illegal activity isolated and away from activity is imperative in bringing these actions under control.

Procedure

1. Upon witnessing Disorderly Conduct of this nature, staff takes steps to calm and control situation and attempt to isolate those involved from each other.
2. Other staff attempts to calm and control other students not involved and get them on their way to class or off campus if incident is after school. While doing this, attempt to locate and identify witnesses who may provide information for School Administrators and/or School Police.
3. Staff immediately notifies School Administrator.
4. School Administrator assesses situation and calls Police Department for officers to respond. Continued assessment is necessary for deployment of additional officers to respond and assist from other agencies. District personnel on scene "calls 911."
5. School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In-Place, Lock Down, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Evacuation.
6. Secure all gates and entrances to the campus.
7. Only authorized personnel are to be allowed in or out of the site.
8. Sign-in and Sign-out all authorized visitors noting date and time, telephone number and reason for visit.
9. During passing periods, All Staff should be on campus supervising, while teachers stand at the doorways to their classrooms watching and supervising students.
10. Staff is to report any suspicious activity, break up groups of students loitering and listen for any rumors or reports of possible ongoing activity by students. Maximum supervision by staff is recommended during student lunch periods.
11. School Site Parent Groups may be contacted to assist with supervision and help monitor activity.
12. Notify appropriate District Personnel for assistance as needed.

Earthquake

EARTHQUAKE

Earthquakes generally occur without warning and may cause minor to serious ground shaking, damage to buildings and injuries. Even a mild tremor can create a potentially hazardous situation. The following procedures should be implemented in response to all earthquakes, regardless of magnitude.

Procedure

Note: Keep calm and remain where you are. Assess situation, then act.
Remember, most injuries or deaths are direct cause of falling or flying debris.

1. Upon first indication of an earthquake, teachers direct students to Duck and Cover.
2. Move away from windows and overhead hazards to avoid glass and falling objects
3. When shaking stops, School Administrator initiates Evacuate Building. Staff and students evacuate buildings using prescribed

routes or other safe routes to assembly/shelter site.

4. Teachers bring their student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Teachers notify School Administrator of missing students.
5. If injury or damage is suspected, School Administrator “calls 911.”
6. Safety/Security Team attempts to suppress fires with extinguishers.
7. Safety/Security Team notifies school personnel of fallen electrical wires.
8. Safety/Security Team turns checks for gas main leaks and water leaks and notifies School Administrator of situation.
9. Safety/Security Team is directed to stand post in areas of building to keep people from entering.
10. Safety/Security Team Leader notifies Maintenance to contact appropriate utility companies of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines and other utilities.
11. Medical Team checks for injuries and provides appropriate first aid.
12. If area appears safe, Search and Rescue Team makes initial inspection of school buildings to identify any injured or trapped students or staff.
13. School Administrator confers with Maintenance to ensure buildings are safe for re-occupancy. When safe to do so, Safety/Security Team conducts inspection of school buildings. Safety/Security Team maintains a log of their findings, by building and provides periodic report to Incident Commander.
14. Any affected areas are not reopened until School Administrator gives authorization to do so.
15. School Administrator initiates Off- Site Evacuation if warranted.

Explosion or Risk Of Explosion

EXPLOSION/ RISK OF EXPLOSION

Scenario 1: Explosion on School Property

Procedure

1. In event of explosion, all persons initiate Duck and Cover
2. School Administrator considers possibility of another imminent explosion and takes appropriate action.
3. After explosion, School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In- Place, Evacuate Building, or Off-Site Evacuation. Evacuation may be warranted in some buildings and other buildings may be used for shelter.
4. In event of evacuation, staff and students use prescribed routes or other safe routes and proceed to assembly/shelter site.
5. Teachers bring student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Teachers notify School Administrator of missing students.
6. School Administrator calls 911

7. Safety/Security Team turns off school's main gas supply.
8. Medical Team, when safe, checks for injuries and provides appropriate first aid.
9. Staff attempts to suppress fires with fire extinguishers.
10. Safety/Security Team Leader notifies appropriate utility company of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines and other utilities.
11. Safety/Security Team Leader posts guards safe distance away from building entrance preventing persons entering school buildings, considering possible secondary explosion sites.
12. When determined by emergency response officials to be safe to enter affected areas, School Administrator advises Search and Rescue Team to initiate search and rescue efforts.
13. School Administrator confers with Maintenance to ensure buildings are safe for re-occupancy. When safe to do so, Safety/Security Team conducts inspection of school buildings. Safety/Security Team maintains a log of their findings, by building and provides periodic report to Incident Commander.
14. Any areas affected by explosion are not reopened until appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administrator gives authorization.
15. School Administrator initiates Off- Site Evacuation if warranted.

Scenario 2: Risk of Explosion on School Property

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In- Place, Evacuate Building, or Off-Site Evacuation.
2. If School Administrator issues Evacuate Building Action, staff and students evacuate building using prescribed routes or other safe routes to assembly/shelter site.
3. Teachers bring student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Teachers notify School Administrator of missing students.
4. School Administrator calls 911
5. Safety/Security Team turns off school's main gas supply.
6. Staff attempts to suppress fires with fire extinguishers.
7. School Administrator advises Search and Rescue Team to initiate search and rescue efforts if warranted.
8. Safety/Security Team Leader notifies appropriate utility company of any damages to water lines, sewers, power lines and other utilities.
9. Any areas affected by explosion are not reopened until appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administrator gives authorization.
10. School Administrator initiates Off- Site Evacuation if warranted.

Scenario 3: Explosion or Risk of Explosion in Surrounding Area

1. School Administrator initiates Shelter-In-Place.
2. School Administrator calls 911
3. School Administrator takes further actions as needed.
4. School Remains In Shelter-In-Place condition until appropriate agency gives clearance that situation is under control. Upon receiving clearance, School Administrator gives All- Clear Announcement.

Scenario 4: Nuclear Blast or Explosion Involving Radioactive Materials

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates Shelter-In-Place.
2. When sheltering, personnel establish adequate barriers or shielding (concrete walls, metal doors etc.) between themselves and source of blast or explosion and avoids sheltering near exterior windows.
3. School Administrator calls 911
4. After initial blast, remove students from rooms with broken windows, extinguish fires, provide first aid.
5. Safety/Security Team turns off schools main gas supply, local fans in area; closes and locks doors and windows; shuts down all building's air conditioning systems; seal gaps under doors and windows with wet towels or duct tape.
6. School remains in Shelter-In-Place condition until County of Santa Barbara HazMat Team or appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administrator issues further instructions.

Extreme Weather

Fire in Surrounding Area

FIRE IN SURROUNDING AREA

Procedure addresses fire discovered in area adjoining school. The initiated response actions take into consideration location and size of fire, its proximity to school and likelihood that fire may affect school.

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In-Place, Lock Down, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Evacuation.
2. School Administrator calls 911.
3. School Administration instructs Safety/Security Team to prevent students from approaching fire and keep routes open for emergency vehicles.
4. Agency Liaison works with fire department to determine if school grounds are threatened by fire, smoke, or other hazardous conditions.
5. If School Administrator issues Evacuate Building, staff and students evacuate affected building(s) using prescribed routes or other

safe routes to assembly/shelter site.

6. Teachers bring student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Teachers notify School Administrator of missing students.

7. If needed, Director of Transportation is notified for request of buses for student and staff evacuation.

9. School Administrator initiates Off- Site Evacuation if warranted.

Fire on School Grounds

FIRE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Procedure addresses situations where fire is discovered on school grounds. A quick response situation is very important to prevent injuries and property damage.

Procedure

1. Upon discovery of fire, signal fire alarm and teachers and staff direct all students out of building and area in a calm and orderly manner.

2. School Administrator immediately initiates Evacuate Building. Staff and students evacuate using prescribed routes or other safe routes to assembly/shelter site.

3. Teachers bring student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Teachers notify School Administrator of missing students.

4. School Administrator calls 911

5. Safety/Security Team suppresses fires and initiates rescue procedures until local fire department arrives.

6. Safety/Security Team secures area to prevent unauthorized entry and keeps access roads and gates clear for emergency vehicles.

7. Safety/Security Team Leader directs fire department to fire and briefs department official on situation.

8. Safety/Security Team notifies Maintenance and Designee of situation and also informs to contact any affected utility companies to respond.

9. If needed, Director of Transportation or Designee is notified for buses to evacuate students and staff if warranted.

10. Any affected areas are not reopened until local fire department or appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administration.

11. All fires, regardless of size, which are extinguished by school personnel, require a contact to fire department to indicate "fire is out" and to request fire department to respond for investigation and confirm.

Flooding

FLOODING

Procedure applies whenever storm water or other sources of water inundate or threaten to inundate school grounds or buildings. Flooding may occur as a result of prolonged periods of rainfall, where school would have sufficient time to prepare. Alternatively, flooding may occur without warning, as a result of damage to water distribution systems, or failure of a man-made dam.

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In-Place, Lock Down, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Evacuation.
2. School Administrator calls 911
3. If School Administrator issues Evacuate Building or Off-Site Evacuation, staff and students evacuate affected building(s) using prescribed routes or other safe routes to assembly/shelter site.
4. Teachers bring student roster and take attendance at assembly/shelter site to account for students. Teachers notify School Administrator of missing students.

Loss or Failure Of Utilities

LOSS OR FAILURE OF UTILITIES

Procedure addresses situations involving loss of water, power or other utility on school grounds. Should also be used in event of discovery of gas leak, exposed electrical line, or break in sewer lines.

Procedure

1. If water or electrical line is broken, efforts are made to turn off water or power to affected area and to notify School Administrator immediately.
2. Upon notice of loss of utilities, School Administrator assesses situation and determines if appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In-Place or Evacuate Building, are to be initiated.
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3. School Administrator notifies Maintenance and informs them of situation which includes location and nature of situation/emergency. Additional appropriate personnel are notified at discretion of School Administrator.
4. Maintenance Personnel, working with School Administration, contact affected utility company to determine whether their assistance is required and determine potential length of time service will be interrupted.

Important Utility Service Phone Numbers:

Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) (800) 743-5000

Golden State Water Service (805) 396-2400

SoCal Gas Company (800) 427-2200

Verizon (800) 734-4615

5. School Administrator along with appropriate personnel, make decision whether to postpone remaining school day and arrange for early student dismissal.
6. School Administrator arranges for media announcements regarding situation.

Motor Vehicle Crash

MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH

Procedure addresses situations involving Motor Vehicle Crash on or immediately adjacent to school property.

Procedure

1. School Administrator initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In-Place, Lock Down, Evacuate Building or Off-Site Evacuation.
2. School Administrator calls 911

3. Safety/Security Team secures crash area to prevent unauthorized entry.
4. School Administrator directs Safety/Security Team to organize fire suppression activities, if it is safe to do so, until fire department arrives.
5. Safety/Security Team checks for injuries to provide appropriate first aid.
6. Any affected areas are not reopened until appropriate agency provides clearance and School Administrator issues authorization to do so.

Pandemic

Our response to a pandemic will be based on guidance provided by the Santa Barbara County Health Department, the California Department of Health, and the Center for Disease Control.

Psychological Trauma

PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAUMA/ AFTERMATH COUNSELING

Crisis Management Actions are to be taken during and subsequent to any emergency that may have psychological impact on students and staff, such as act of violence; death of a student or staff member; earthquake or other natural disaster; serious environmental problem; or ethnic and racial tensions. Emergencies like those described above usually produce one or more of the following conditions:

- Temporary disruption of regular school functions and routines.
- Significant interference with ability of students and staff to focus on learning.
- Physical and/or psychological injury to students and staff.
- Concentrated attention from community and news media.

As a result of such emergencies, students and staff may exhibit variety of psychological reactions. As soon as physical safety of those involved has been insured, attention must turn to meeting emotional and psychological needs of students and staff.

Procedure

1. School Administrator establishes Medical Team, which has primary responsibility for providing necessary assistance after all types of crisis, including psychological first aid.
2. Medical Team assesses range of crisis intervention services needed during and following the emergency.
3. Medical Team provides for or arranges for direct intervention services.
4. If there is need for additional counseling services, School Administrator notifies District Superintendent or Designee.
5. Medical Team advises and assists School Administrator to restore regular school functions as efficiently and as quickly as possible.
6. In performing their duties, Medical Team members provide ongoing assessment of needs and follow-up services as required.

Suspected Contamination of Food or Water

SUSPECTED CONTAMINATION OF FOOD OR WATER

Procedure followed if site personnel report suspected contamination of food or water. Procedure applies where there is evidence of tampering with food packaging, observation of suspicious individuals in proximity to food or water supplies, or if notified of possible food/water contamination by District staff or local agencies. Indicators of contamination may include unusual odor, color, taste, or multiple employees with unexplained nausea, vomiting, or other illnesses.

Procedure

1. School Administrator and, Cafeteria Supervisor isolates suspected contaminated food/water to prevent consumption and restricts access.
2. School Administrator calls 911.
3. State of California notification protocols are followed at this time.
4. School Administrator provides list of all potentially affected students and staff.
5. Medical Team and Responding Emergency Personnel assess need for medical attention and provide first aid as appropriate
6. School Administrator maintains a log of affected students and staff and symptoms; food/water suspected to be contaminated, quantity and character of products consumed and other pertinent information.
7. School Administrator confers with all appropriate agencies before resumption of normal operations.
8. School Administrator notifies parents of incident, as appropriate.

Unlawful Demonstration or Walkout

UNLAWFUL DEMONSTRATION/ WALKOUT

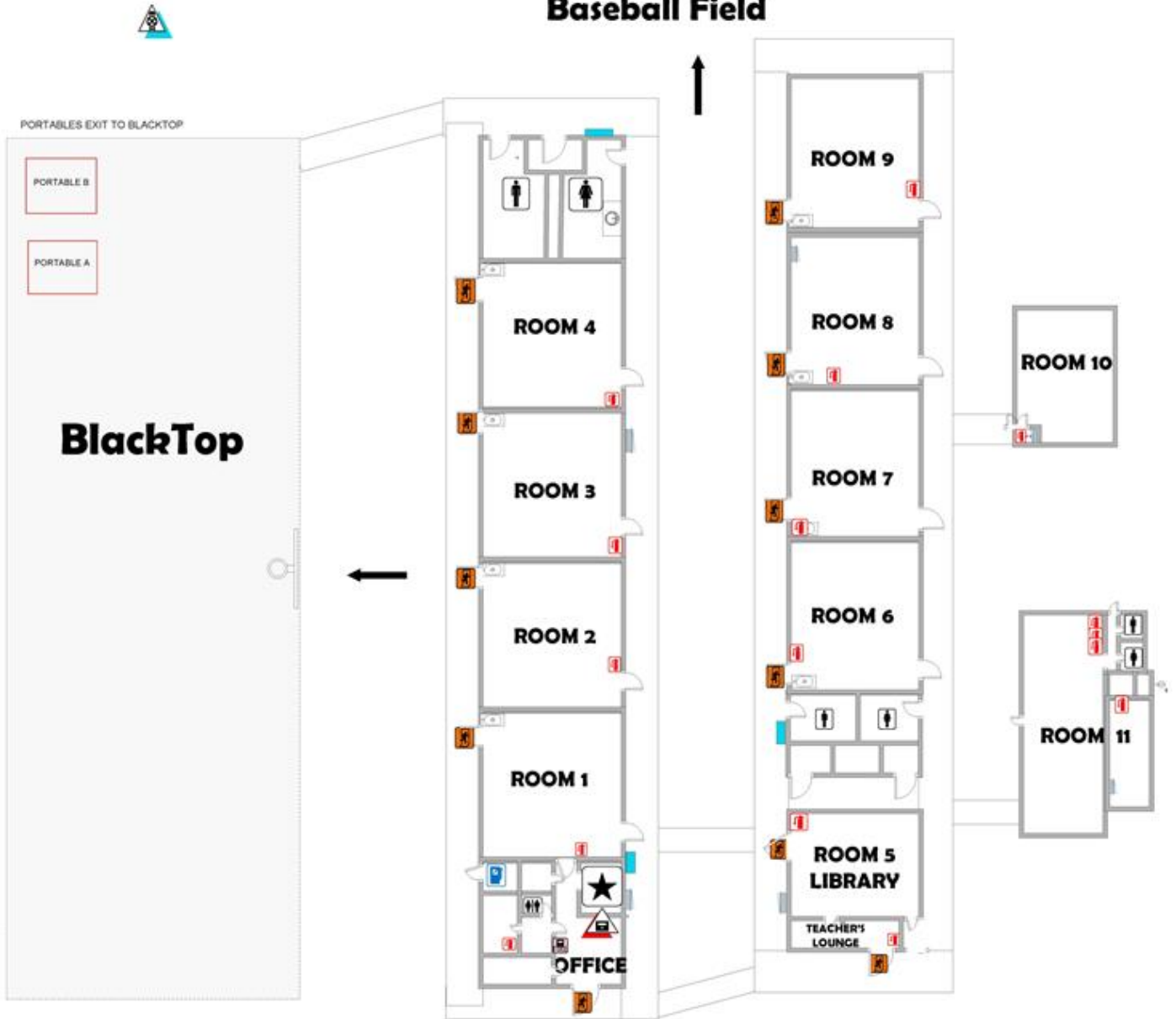
An Unlawful demonstration/ walkout is any unauthorized assemblage on or off campus by staff or students for purpose of protest or demonstration.

Procedure

1. Upon indication that unlawful demonstration or walkout is about to begin, personnel immediately notify School Administrator.
2. School Administrator assesses situation and initiates appropriate Immediate Response Actions, which may include Shelter-In-Place.
3. Student Release Team immediately proceeds to control student ingress and egress. Each person entering or leaving campus is required to sign his/her name and record other pertinent information.
4. If students leave campus, School Administrators and allied law enforcement agencies will accompany them. All attempts will be made to guide and control actions of students while off-site.
5. Students not participating in demonstration or walkout are kept within their classrooms until further notice by School Administrator. Teachers close and lock classroom doors. Students and staff are protected from flying glass in event windows are broken by closing drapes and blinds in rooms so equipped.
6. Documentation Unit staff attempt to keep accurate record of events, conversations and actions.
7. All media inquiries are referred to Incident Commander Officer.
8. School Administrator proceeds in good judgment on basis of police or other legal advice, in taking action to control and resolve situation.
9. School Administrator notifies parents of incident, as appropriate.

Emergency Evacuation Map

Baseball Field



Left side of the building
exits to Black Top
Right side of the building
exits to Baseball Field