

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Concepts And Roles

BP 3000

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that the business and other noninstructional operations of the district support the educational program by maximizing and prioritizing resources and providing a safe and healthy environment for students and staff. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's business and noninstructional operations are efficient and responsive to the needs of students, parents/guardians, staff, and the community.

- (cf. 3511 - Energy and Water Management)
- (cf. 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management)
- (cf. 3512 - Equipment)
- (cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)
- (cf. 3540 - Transportation)
- (cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
- (cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

The district shall maintain high standards of safety in the operation of facilities, equipment, and services. The Superintendent or designee shall establish a risk management program that promotes safety and protects district resources.

- (cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
- (cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)
- (cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
- (cf. 3515.6 - Criminal Background Checks for Contractors)
- (cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
- (cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)
- (cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

In the development of a district budget, the Board and the Superintendent or designee shall establish a calendar that reflects the full budget cycle and a process that satisfies the requirements of law, including opportunities for public input. The Superintendent or designee shall provide fiscal data and prepare a proposed budget document within the budget priorities and parameters set by the Board. The Board shall adopt a budget that is aligned with the district's vision and goals and enables the district to meet its fiscal obligations.

- (cf. 0000 - Vision)
- (cf. 0100 - Philosophy)
- (cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
- (cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)

The Board expects sound fiscal management from the administration. The Superintendent or designee shall administer the adopted budget in accordance with Board policies and accepted business practices.

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3430 - Investing)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

The Board shall monitor financial operations so as to ensure the district's fiscal integrity and accountability to the community. The Superintendent or designee shall complete all required financial reports, facilitate the independent audit process, recommend financial plans for meeting program needs, and keep the Board informed about the district's fiscal and noninstructional operations.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35035 Powers and duties of superintendent

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school district

35161 Powers and duties of governing boards

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Maximizing School Board Governance: Understanding California's Public School Finance System, 2006

Maximizing School Board Governance: Budget Planning and Adoption, 2006

Maximizing School Board Governance: Understanding District Budgets, 2006

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School Finance CD-ROM, 2005

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California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team: <http://www.fcmat.org>

School Services of California: <http://www.sscal.com>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Budget

BP 3100

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its critical responsibility for adopting a sound budget for each fiscal year which is aligned with the district's vision, goals, priorities, local control and accountability plan (LCAP), and other comprehensive plans. The district budget shall guide decisions and actions throughout the year and shall serve as a tool for monitoring the fiscal health of the district.

- (cf. 0000 - Vision)
- (cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
- (cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)
- (cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
- (cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)
- (cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)
- (cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)

The district budget shall show a complete plan and itemized statement of all proposed expenditures and all estimated revenues for the following fiscal year, together with a comparison of revenues and expenditures for the current fiscal year. The budget shall also include the appropriations limit and the total annual appropriations subject to limitation as determined pursuant to Government Code 7900-7914. (Education Code 42122)

Budget Development and Adoption Process

In order to provide guidance in the development of the budget, the Board shall annually establish budget priorities based on identified district needs and goals and on realistic projections of available funds.

The Superintendent or designee shall oversee the preparation of a proposed district budget for approval by the Board and shall involve appropriate staff in the development of budget projections.

The Board shall hold a public hearing on the proposed budget in accordance with Education Code 42103 and 42127.

- (cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)
- (cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)
- (cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)

The Board shall adopt the district budget on or before July 1 of each year. (Education Code 42127)

At a public meeting held on a date after the public hearing on the budget, the Board shall adopt the budget following its adoption of the LCAP or an annual update to the LCAP at the same meeting. The budget shall include the expenditures necessary to implement the LCAP or the annual update to the LCAP. (Education Code 42127, 52062)

The budget that is formally adopted by the Board shall adhere to the state's Standardized Account Code Structure as prescribed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. (Education Code 42126, 42127)

The Superintendent or designee may supplement this format with additional information as necessary to effectively communicate the budget to the Board, staff, and public.

No later than five days after the Board adopts the district budget or by July 1, whichever occurs first, the Board shall file with the County Superintendent of Schools the adopted district budget and supporting data. The budget and supporting data shall be maintained and made available for public review. (Education Code 42127)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

If the County Superintendent disapproves or conditionally approves the district's budget, the Board shall review and respond to his/her recommendations at a public meeting on or before October 8. The response shall include any revisions to the adopted budget and any other proposed actions to be taken as a result of those recommendations. (Education Code 42127)

Budget Advisory Committee

The Board may appoint a budget advisory committee composed of staff, Board representatives, and/or members of the community.

The committee shall submit recommendations during the budget development process and its duties shall be assigned each year based on district needs. All recommendations of the committee shall be advisory only and shall not be binding on the Board.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 2230 - Representative and Deliberative Groups)
(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)
(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)
(cf. 9140 - Board Representatives)

Budget Criteria and Standards

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a district budget in accordance with state criteria and standards specified in 5 CCR 15440-15450 as they relate to projections of average daily

attendance (ADA), enrollment, ratio of ADA to enrollment, local control funding formula revenue, salaries and benefits, other revenues and expenditures, facilities maintenance, deficit spending, unrestricted general fund balance, and reserves. In addition, he/she shall provide the supplemental information specified in 5 CCR 15451 which addresses the methodology and budget assumptions used, contingent liabilities, use of one-time revenues for ongoing expenditures, use of ongoing revenues for one-time expenditures, contingent revenues, contributions, long-term commitments, unfunded liabilities, status of collective bargaining agreements, the LCAP, and LCAP expenditures. (Education Code 33128, 33128.3, 33129, 42127.01; 5 CCR 15440-15451)

The district budget shall provide for increasing or improving services for unduplicated students at least in proportion to the increase in funds apportioned on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated students. Unduplicated students are students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, English learners, and/or foster youth. (Education Code 42238.07; 5 CCR 15496)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

The Board may establish other budget assumptions or parameters which may take into consideration the stability of funding sources, legal requirements and constraints on the use of funds, anticipated increases and/or decreases in the cost of services and supplies, program requirements, and any other factors necessary to ensure that the budget is a realistic plan for district revenues and expenditures.

(cf. 2210 - Administrative Discretion Regarding Board Policy)
(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

Fund Balance

The district shall classify fund balances in compliance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 54, as follows:

1. Nonspendable fund balance includes amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash, such as resources that are not in a spendable form (e.g., inventories and prepaids) or that are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
2. Restricted fund balance includes amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers or by law.
3. Committed fund balance includes amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Board.

For this purpose, all commitments of funds shall be approved by a majority vote of the Board. The constraints shall be imposed no later than the end of the reporting period (June 30), although the actual amounts may be determined subsequent to that date but prior to the issuance

of the financial statements.

4. Assigned fund balance includes amounts which are intended for a specific purpose but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

The Board delegates authority to assign funds to the assigned fund balance to the Superintendent and authorizes the assignment of such funds to be made any time prior to the issuance of the financial statements. The Superintendent may further delegate the authority to assign funds at his/her discretion.

5. Unassigned fund balance includes amounts that are available for any purpose.

When multiple types of funds are available for an expenditure, the district shall first utilize funds from the restricted fund balance as appropriate, then from the committed fund balance, then from the assigned fund balance, and lastly from the unassigned fund balance.

The Board intends to maintain a minimum assigned and unassigned fund balance in an amount the Board deems sufficient to maintain fiscal solvency and stability and to protect the district against unforeseen circumstances.

If the assigned and unassigned fund balance falls below the level set by the Board due to an emergency situation, unexpected expenditures, or revenue shortfalls, the Board shall develop a plan to recover the fund balance which may include dedicating new unrestricted revenues, reducing expenditures, and/or increasing revenues or pursuing other funding sources.

Long-Term Financial Obligations

The district's current-year budget and multiyear projections shall include adequate provisions for addressing the district's long-term financial obligations, including, but not limited to, long-term obligations resulting from collective bargaining agreements, financing of facilities projects, unfunded or future liability for retiree benefits, and accrued workers' compensation claims.

(cf. 4141/4241 - Collective Bargaining Agreement)

(cf. 4154/4254/4354 - Health and Welfare Benefits)

(cf. 7210 - Facilities Financing)

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits)

The Board shall approve a plan for meeting the district's long-term obligations to fund nonpension, other postemployment benefits (OPEBs). This plan shall include a specific funding strategy and the method that will be used to finance the district's annual fiscal obligations for such benefits in a manner that continually reduces the deficit to the district to the extent possible. The Board reserves the authority to review and amend the funding strategy as necessary to ensure that it continues to serve the best interests of the district and maintains flexibility to adjust for changing budgetary considerations.

When the Superintendent or designee presents a report to the Board on the estimated accrued but

unfunded cost of OPEBs, the Board shall disclose, as a separate agenda item at the same meeting, whether or not it will reserve a sufficient amount of money in its budget to fund the present value of the benefits of existing retirees and/or the future cost of employees who are eligible for benefits in the current fiscal year. (Education Code 42140)

When the Superintendent or designee presents a report to the Board on the estimated accrued but unfunded cost of workers' compensation claims, the Board shall disclose, as a separate agenda item at the same meeting, whether or not it will reserve in the budget sufficient amounts to fund the present value of accrued but unfunded workers' compensation claims or if it is otherwise decreasing the amount in its workers' compensation reserve fund. The Board shall annually certify to the County Superintendent the amount, if any, that it has decided to reserve in the budget for these costs. The Board shall submit to the County Superintendent any budget revisions that may be necessary to account for this budget reserve. (Education Code 42141)

Budget Amendments

No later than 45 days after the Governor signs the annual Budget Act, the Superintendent or designee shall make available for public review any revisions in budgeted revenues and expenditures which occur as a result of the funding made available by that Budget Act. (Education Code 42127)

Whenever revenues and expenditures change significantly throughout the year, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend budget amendments to ensure accurate projections of the district's net ending balance. When final figures for the prior-year budget are available, this information shall be used as soon as possible to update the current-year budget's beginning balance and projected revenues and expenditures.

In addition, budget amendments shall be submitted for Board approval as necessary when collective bargaining agreements are accepted, district income declines, increased revenues or unanticipated savings are made available to the district, program proposals are significantly different from those approved during budget adoption, interfund transfers are needed to meet actual program expenditures, and/or other significant changes occur that impact budget projections.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1240 Duties of county superintendent of schools

33127-33131 Standards and criteria for local budgets and expenditures

42103 Public hearing on proposed budget; requirements for content of proposed budget

42122-42129 Budget requirements

42130-42134 Financial certifications

42140-42141 Disclosure of fiscal obligations

42238-42251 Apportionments to districts, especially:

42238.01-42238.07 Local control funding formula

42602 Use of unbudgeted funds
42610 Appropriation of excess funds and limitation thereon
45253 Annual budget of personnel commission
45254 First year budget of personnel commission
52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan
GOVERNMENT CODE
7900-7914 Appropriations limit
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
15060 Standardized account code structure
15440-15451 Criteria and standards for school district budgets
15494-15496 Local control funding formula, expenditures

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

California School Accounting Manual

New Requirements for Reporting Fund Balance in Governmental Funds, January 7, 2011

FISCAL CRISIS AND MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE TEAM PUBLICATIONS

Fiscal Oversight Guide for AB 1200, AB 2756 and Subsequent Related Legislation, September 2006

GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

Best Practice: Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund, 2009

GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD STATEMENTS

Statement 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-employment Benefits Other Than Pensions, June 2015

Statement 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, March 2009

Statement 34, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis - For State and Local Governments, June 1999

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

Association of California School Administrators: <http://www.acsa.org>

California Department of Education, Finance and Grants: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg>

California Department of Finance: <http://www.dof.ca.gov>

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team: <http://www.fcmat.org>

Government Finance Officers Association: <http://www.gfoa.org>

Governmental Accounting Standards Board: <http://www.gasb.org>

School Services of California, Inc.: <http://www.sscal.com>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Budget

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Business and Noninstructional Operations

Budget Advisory Committee

Membership of the district's budget advisory committee may include representatives of each of the following groups:

1. Governing Board members, provided that less than a majority of the Board serves on the committee

(cf. 9140 - Board Representatives)

2. District and school site administrators
3. Representatives of bargaining units
4. Certificated and/or classified staff
5. Parents/guardians
6. Representatives of the business community and/or other community members
7. Students

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 2230 - Representative and Deliberative Groups)

(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)

The committee's duties may include, but not necessarily be limited to:

1. Making recommendations regarding budget priorities
2. Recommending cost reduction strategies, such as identifying services that may be reduced, made more efficient, or discontinued
3. Reviewing the clarity and effectiveness of budget documents and communications

4. Presenting progress reports on the committee's work and a final report of recommendations to the Superintendent or designee and to the Board

The specific duties of the committee shall be clearly defined and presented to each member in writing, along with any background information necessary for the successful completion of the committee's charges, the timelines for reporting the committee's progress, and timelines for completion of each task.

(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)

Public Hearing

The agenda for the public hearing on the district budget shall be posted at least 72 hours before the hearing and shall indicate the location where the budget may be inspected. The proposed budget shall be available for public inspection at least three working days before this hearing. (Education Code 42103, 42127, 52062)

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the County Superintendent of Schools of the location, dates, and times at which the proposed budget may be inspected, as well as the location, date, and time of the public hearing, in sufficient time for the County Superintendent to publish such information in a newspaper of general circulation at least 10 days but not more than 45 days before the hearing as required by Education Code 42103.

Whenever the proposed district budget includes a combined assigned and unassigned ending fund balance that exceeds the minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties adopted by the State Board of Education, the district shall provide, for each fiscal year included in the budget, the following information for public review and discussion at the public hearing: (Education Code 42127; 5 CCR 15450)

1. The minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties
2. The combined assigned and unassigned ending fund balances that are in excess of the minimum recommended reserve
3. A statement of reasons substantiating the need for the combined assigned and unassigned ending balances that are in excess of the minimum recommended reserve

During the hearing, any district resident may speak to the proposed budget or to any item in the budget. The hearing may conclude when all residents who have requested to be heard have had the opportunity to speak. (Education Code 42103)

(cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)

Budget Review Committee for Disapproved Budgets

Education Code 42127 provides that the County Superintendent cannot call for the formation of a budget review committee if his/her sole reason for disapproving the district's budget is that he/she has not approved the district's LCAP or the annual update to the LCAP.

If the district's budget is disapproved by the County Superintendent for any reason other than his/her disapproval of the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP) or annual update to the LCAP, the budget shall be reviewed by a budget review committee, unless the Board and County Superintendent agree to waive the requirement and the California Department of Education accepts the waiver. (Education Code 42127)

This committee shall consist of either: (Education Code 42127.1, 42127.2)

1. Three persons selected by the Board from a list of candidates provided by the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI), who shall be selected within five working days after receiving the list of candidates
2. A regional review committee convened by the County Superintendent with the approval of the Board

If the budget review committee recommends disapproval of the district budget, the Board may submit a response to the SPI no later than five working days after receipt of the committee's report. The response may include any revisions to the adopted final budget and any other proposed actions to be taken as a result of the committee's recommendations. (Education Code 42127.3)

If the SPI disapproves the district budget after reviewing the committee's report and the district's response, the Board shall consult with the County Superintendent as he/she develops and adopts, by December 31, a fiscal plan and budget that will allow the district to meet its financial obligations. For the current fiscal year, the district shall operate in accordance with the budget adopted by the County Superintendent. (Education Code 42127.3)

Until the district receives approval of its budget, it shall continue to operate either on the basis of the prior year's budget or on the basis of the current year's unapproved budget as adopted and revised by the Board, whichever budget contains a lower total spending authority. (Education Code 42127.4)

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(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)

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If the SPI disapproves the district budget after reviewing the committee's report and the district's response, the Board shall consult with the County Superintendent to develop and adopt, by December 31, a fiscal plan and budget that will allow the district to meet its current fiscal year and multiyear financial obligations. For the current fiscal year, the district shall operate in accordance with the budget adopted by the County Superintendent. (Education Code 42127.3)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Transfer Of Funds

BP 3110

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to monitor the district's fiscal practices to ensure accountability regarding the expenditure of public funds and compliance with legal requirements.

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 3100 - Budget)
(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)
(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

The total amount budgeted by the district for each major classification of expenditures, as listed in the California Department of Education's budget forms, shall be the maximum amount which the district may expend for that classification for the school year. (Education Code 42600)

However, when it is in the best interest of the district, the Board may:

1. At any time, adopt a written resolution providing for transfers from the designated fund balance or the unappropriated fund balance to any expenditure classification or between classifications. The resolution shall be filed with the County Superintendent of Schools and the county auditor. (Education Code 42600)
2. Direct the temporary transfer of monies held in any district fund or account to another fund or account as necessary for the payment of obligations. Such borrowing shall occur only when the fund or account receiving the money will earn sufficient income during the current fiscal year to repay the amount transferred. No more than 75 percent of the maximum amount held in any fund or account during the current fiscal year may be transferred. Amounts transferred shall be repaid in the same fiscal year, or in the following fiscal year if the transfer takes place within the final 120 calendar days of a fiscal year. (Education Code 42603)
3. At the close of a school year, request that the County Superintendent make transfers between the designated fund balance or the unappropriated fund balance and any expenditure classification(s), or balance any expenditure classifications of the district budget as necessary for the payment of obligations incurred during that school year. (Education Code 42601)
4. Specify amounts to be transferred by the county auditor and treasurer from the district's general fund to the special reserve fund during the fiscal year. If any special reserve funds are

maintained for purposes other than capital outlay or if monies in the special reserve fund are not actually encumbered for ongoing expenses, the Board may transfer those monies into the general fund for the general operating purposes of the district. If any monies remain in the special reserve fund at the conclusion of a project, the Board may, by written request to the County Superintendent, auditor, and treasurer, transfer those monies to the district's general fund. (Education Code 42841-42843)

5. Transfer monies between other funds or accounts when authorized by law.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

78 Definition, governing board

5200 Districts governed by boards of education

16095 Transfer of district funds to district state school building fund

41301 Section A state school fund allocation schedule

42125 Designated and unappropriated fund balances

42238-42251 Apportionments to districts, especially:

42238.01-42238.07 Local control funding formula

42600 District budget limitation on expenditure

42601 Transfers between funds to permit payment of obligations at close of year

42603 Transfer of monies held in any fund or account to another fund; repayment

42840-42843 Special reserve fund

52616.4 Expenditures from adult education fund

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

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California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team: <http://www.fcmat.org>

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Lottery Funds

BP 3220.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board intends to use California State Lottery funds for supplemental and nonrecurring expenditures in support of educational programs and activities. In recognition of the yearly fluctuations of lottery funds received by the district, the Board shall not commit lottery funds for any purpose until they have been received.

(cf. 3000 - Concepts and Roles)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

The Board shall establish funding priorities and approve all allocations in accordance with law.

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

Lottery funds allocated by the state for the purchase of instructional materials shall be expended on instructional materials as defined in Education Code 60010. Lottery funds shall not be used for the acquisition of real property, construction of school facilities, financing of research, or any other noninstructional purpose. (Government Code 8880.4, 8880.5)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

For the receipt and expenditure of lottery funds, the Superintendent or designee shall establish a separate account that shall be clearly identified as a lottery education account. (Government Code 8880.5)

The Board encourages staff and community members to participate in determining how lottery funds will be used. The Superintendent or designee may solicit input through district advisory groups, school site councils, and/or individual students, staff, parents/guardians, and community members.

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE

14600 Legislative findings and declarations: state control of lottery funds

14700-14701 Use of lottery funds

60010 Definitions

60119 Sufficiency of instructional materials

GOVERNMENT CODE

8880-8880.5 California State Lottery: general provisions

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

19834 Audits, Proposition 20 lottery funds

19835 Audits, state lottery funds

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

2001.05.10 Proposition 20 - Allocation of Lottery Funds for Instructional Materials

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Finance and Grants: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg>

Education Audit Appeals Panel: <http://www.eaap.ca.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Federal Grant Funds

BP 3230

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the district's responsibility to maintain fiscal integrity and transparency in the use of all funds awarded through federal grants. The district shall comply with all requirements detailed in any grant agreement with an awarding agency and with the federal Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards specified in 2 CFR 200.0-200.521 and any stricter state laws and district policy.

Any goods or services purchased with federal funds shall be reasonable in cost and necessary for the proper and efficient performance or administration of the program.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's financial management systems and procedures provide for the following: (2 CFR 200.302)

1. Identification in district accounts of each federal award received and expended and the federal program under which it was received

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

2. Accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial and performance results of each federal award or program in accordance with the reporting requirements of 2 CFR 200.327 and 200.328

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

3. Records and supporting documentation that adequately identify the source and application of funds for federally funded activities, including information pertaining to federal awards, authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, expenditures, income, and interest

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

4. Effective controls and accountability for all funds, property, and other assets and assurance that all assets are used solely for authorized purposes

5. Comparison of actual expenditures with budgeted amounts for each federal award

6. Written procedures to implement provisions governing payments as specified in 2 CFR 200.305

7. Written procedures for determining the allowability of costs in accordance with 2 CFR 200.400-200.475 and the terms and conditions of the federal grant award

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement appropriate internal control processes to reasonably assure that transactions are properly executed, recorded, and accounted for so that the district can prepare reliable financial statements and federal reports, maintain accountability over assets, and demonstrate compliance with federal laws, regulations, and conditions of the federal award. (2 CFR 200.61, 200.62, 200.303)

Equipment purchased with federal funds shall be properly inventoried and adequately maintained to safeguard against loss, damage, or theft of the property.

(cf. 3270 - Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

All staff involved in the administration or implementation of programs and activities supported by federal funds shall receive information and training on the allowable use of federal funds, purchasing procedures, and reporting processes commensurate with their duties.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The district shall submit performance reports to the awarding agency in accordance with the schedule and indicators required for that federal grant by law and the awarding agency. As required, such reports may include a comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives of the federal award, the relationship between financial data and performance accomplishments, the reasons that established goals were not met if applicable, cost information to demonstrate cost effective practices, analysis and explanation of any cost overruns or high unit costs, and other relevant information. The final performance report shall be submitted within 90 days after the ending date of the grant. (2 CFR 200.301, 200.328)

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

Legal Reference:
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200.100-200.113 General provisions
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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Federal Grant Funds

AR 3230

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Allowable Costs

Prior to obligating or spending any federal grant funds, the Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a proposed purchase is an allowable expenditure of federal funds in accordance with 2 CFR 200.400-200.475 and the terms and conditions of the federal grant award. He/she shall also determine whether the expense is a direct or indirect cost as defined in 2 CFR 200.413 and 200.414 and, if the purchase will benefit other programs not included in the grant award, the appropriate share to be allocated to the federal grant.

(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)

The Superintendent or designee shall review and approve all transactions involving federal grant funds and shall ensure the proper coding of expenditures consistent with the California School Accounting Manual.

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3314 - Payment for Goods and Services)

Period of Performance

All obligations of federal funds shall occur on or between the beginning and ending dates of the grant project and shall be paid no later than 90 days after the end of the funding period, unless specifically authorized by the grant award to be carried over beyond the initial term of the grant. (2 CFR 200.77, 200.308, 200.309, 200.343)

Procurement

On or before July 1, 2017, or such later date as may be approved in the Uniform Guidance, the Superintendent or designee shall comply with the standards specified in 2 CFR 200.317-200.326 and Appendix II of Part 200 when procuring goods and services needed to carry out a federal grant as well as any more restrictive state laws and district policies concerning the procurement of goods and services.

As appropriate to encourage greater economy and efficiency, the Superintendent or designee

shall avoid acquisition of unnecessary or duplicative items, give consideration to consolidating or breaking out procurements, analyze lease versus purchase alternatives, consider entering into an interagency agreement for procurement of common or shared goods and services, and/or use federal excess or surplus property. (2 CFR 200.318)

The procurement of goods or services with federal funds shall be conducted in a manner that provides full and open competition in accordance with state laws and district regulations and the following requirements:

1. Any purchase of supplies or services that does not exceed the "micro-purchase" threshold specified in 48 CFR 2.101 may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotes, provided that the district considers the price to be reasonable and maintains written evidence of this reasonableness in the record of all micro-purchases. (2 CFR 200.67, 200.320)

2. For any purchase that exceeds the micro-purchase threshold but is less than the bid limit required by Public Contract Code 20111, the Superintendent or designee shall utilize "small-purchase" procedures that include obtaining price or rate quotes from an adequate number of qualified sources. (2 CFR 200.320)

3. Contracts for goods or services over the bid limits required by Public Contract Code 20111 shall be awarded pursuant to California law and AR 3311 - Bids, unless exempt from bidding under the law.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

4. If a purchase is exempt from bidding and the district's solicitation is by a request for proposals, the award may be made by either a fixed-price or cost-reimbursement type contract awarded to the entity whose proposal is most advantageous to the program, with price and other factors considered. (2 CFR 200.320)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

5. Procurement by noncompetitive proposals (sole sourcing) may be used only when the item is available from a single source, the need or emergency will not permit a delay resulting from competitive solicitation, the awarding agency expressly authorizes sole sourcing in response to the district's request, and/or competition is determined inadequate after solicitation of a number of sources. (2 CFR 200.320)

6. Time and materials type contracts may be used only after a determination that no other contract is suitable and if the contract includes a ceiling price that the contractor exceeds at its own risk. Time and materials type contract means a contract whose cost is the sum of the actual cost of materials and direct labor hours charged at fixed hourly rates that reflect wages, general administrative expenses, and profit. (200.328)

For any purchase of \$25,000 or more, the Superintendent or designee shall verify that any vendor which is used to procure goods or services is not excluded or disqualified by the federal

government. (2 CFR 180.220, 200.213)

All solicitations shall incorporate a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements for the material, product, or service to be procured. Such description shall not, in competitive procurements, contain features which unduly restrict competition. The description shall avoid detailed product specifications to the extent possible, but may include a statement of the qualitative nature of the material, product, or service to be procured and, when necessary, shall set forth those minimum essential characteristics and standards to which it must conform if it is to satisfy its intended use. When it is impractical or not economical to make a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements, a brand name or equivalent description may be used to define the performance or other salient requirements of procurement, clearly stating the specific features of the named brand which must be met by offers. In addition, every solicitation shall identify all requirements which the offer must fulfill and any other factors to be used in evaluating bids or proposals. (2 CFR 200.319)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain sufficient records to document the procurement, including, but not limited to, the rationale for the method of procurement, selection of the contract type, contractor selection or rejection, and the basis for the contract price. (2 CFR 200.318)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all contracts for purchases using federal grant funds contain the applicable contract provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200 - Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. (2 CFR 200.326)

Capital Expenditures

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain prior written approval from the awarding agency before using federal funds to make capital expenditures, including the acquisition of land, facilities, equipment, and intellectual property and expenditures to make additions, improvements, modifications, replacements, rearrangements, reinstallations, renovations, or alterations to capital assets that materially increase their value or useful life. (2 CFR 200.12, 200.13, 200.20, 200.33, 200.48, 200.58, 200.89, 200.313, 200.439)

Conflict of Interest

No Governing Board member, district employee, or district representative shall participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by federal funds if he/she has a real or apparent conflict of interest, such as when he/she or a member of his/her immediate family, his/her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of them has a financial interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract. Such persons are prohibited from soliciting or accepting gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or subcontractors unless the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal value. (2 CFR 200.318)

Employees engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts shall also comply with BB 9270 - Conflict of Interest.

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

Cash Management

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure the district's compliance with 2 CFR 200.305 pertaining to payments and cash management, including compliance with applicable methods and procedures that minimize the time elapsing between the transfer of funds to the district and the district's disbursement of funds. (2 CFR 200.305)

When authorized by law, the district may receive advance payments of federal grant funds, limited to the minimum amounts needed and timed in accordance with the actual immediate cash requirements of the district for carrying out the purpose of the program or project. Except under specified conditions, the district shall maintain the advance payments in an interest-bearing account. The district shall remit interest earned on the advanced payment to the awarding agency on an annual basis, but may retain interest amounts specified in 2 CFR 200.305 for administrative expenses. (2 CFR 200.305)

When required by the awarding agency, the district shall instead submit a request for reimbursement of actual expenses incurred. The district may also request reimbursement as an alternative to receiving advance payments. (2 CFR 200.305)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain source documentation supporting the expenditure of federal funds, such as invoices, time sheets, payroll stubs, or other appropriate documentation.

Personnel

All district employees who are paid in full or in part with federal funds, including employees whose salary is paid with state or local funds but is used to meet a required match or in-kind contribution to a federal program, shall document the amount of time they spend on grant activities. (2 CFR 200.430)

Records

Except as otherwise provided in 2 CFR 200.333, or where state law or district policy requires a longer retention period, financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other district records related to a federal award shall be retained for a period of three years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report or, for a federal award that is renewed quarterly or annually, from the date of the submission of the quarterly or annual financial report. (2 CFR 200.333)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Audits

Whenever the district expends \$750,000 or more in federal grant funds during a fiscal year, it shall arrange for either a single audit or a program-specific audit in accordance with 2 CFR 200.507 or 200.514. (2 CFR 200.501)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the audit meets the requirements specified in 2 CFR 200.500-200.521.

Specified records pertaining to the audit of federal funds expended by the district shall be transmitted to the clearinghouse designated by the federal Office of Management and Budget and shall be made available for public inspection. Such records shall be transmitted within 30 days after receipt of the auditor's report or within nine months after the end of the audit period, whichever is sooner, unless a longer period is agreed to in advance by the federal agency or a different period is specified in a program-specific audit guide. (2 CFR 200.512)

In the event that the audit identifies any deficiency, the Superintendent or designee shall promptly act to either correct the identified deficiency, produce recommended improvements, or demonstrate that the audit finding is invalid or does not warrant action. (2 CFR 200.26, 200.508, 200.511)

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Transportation Fees

BP 3250

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Because the cost of providing student transportation exceeds funding provided by the state, the Governing Board may find it necessary to charge fees for home-to-school student transportation.

The Superintendent or designee may annually submit proposed transportation fee schedules for Board approval if necessary. Fees shall be determined on the basis of operating costs in accordance with law.

No charge shall be made for any transportation of students whose individualized education program require transportation or whose parents/guardians are determined indigent pursuant to administrative regulations.

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

10913 Fees for uses of school buses for community recreation purposes

35330 Excursions or field trips

39800-39860 Transportation, especially:

39801.5 Transportation fees for adults

39807.5 Payment of transportation cost; amount of payment

39809.5 Excess fees; adjustments

39837 Fees for summer employment transportation

41850 Home-to-school and special education transportation

49557 Applications for free and reduced price meals

49558 Confidentiality of applications and records

56026 Individuals with exceptional needs

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

350 Fees not permitted

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

245.8 (a) Nondiscrimination practices for children eligible to receive free and reduced price meals and free milk

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0619.92 Fees for Pupil Transportation (#92-05)

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Administrative Regulation

Transportation Fees

AR 3250

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Fee Schedule and Collection

Transportation fees charged by the district shall not exceed the statewide average nonsubsidized cost of providing such transportation to a student on a publicly owned or operated transit system, as determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. (Education Code 39807.5)

The total amount received by the district from the state and parent/guardian fees shall not exceed the actual operating cost of home-to-school transportation during the fiscal year. If excess fees are collected due to errors in estimated costs, fees shall be reduced in succeeding years. (Education Code 39809.5)

The Governing Board shall certify to the County Superintendent of Schools that the district has levied fees in accordance with law and that, in the event that excess fees have been charged, the fees have been reduced and excess fee revenue eliminated. (Education Code 39809.5)

Bus passes and tickets may be sold at all district schools and at the district office. No money shall be collected on school buses.

Fees for Additional Services

In addition to charging fees for home-to-school transportation provided in accordance with Education Code 39800, the district may charge fees for students traveling to and from their places of employment during the summer in connection with a summer employment program for youth. (Education Code 39837)

The district may also charge fees for:

1. Students traveling to full-time occupational classes provided by a Regional Occupational Program or Center (Education Code 39807.5)
2. Matriculated or enrolled adults traveling to and from school, or adults pursuing other educational purposes (Education Code 39801.5)
3. Community recreation as provided in Education Code 39835 (Education Code 10913)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

Exemption from Fees

Eligibility for free transportation based on indigency may be based on the income eligibility scales used for the free and reduced-price lunch program and/or proof of receipt of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF).

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

At the beginning of the school year and whenever a new student is enrolled, parents/guardians shall receive information about free transportation eligibility standards, application procedures and appeal procedures.

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

All applications and records related to eligibility for free transportation shall be confidential and used only for purposes directly connected with the free transportation program.

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

Students receiving free transportation shall not be identified by the use of special bus passes, tickets, lines, seats or any other means. They shall in no way be treated differently from other students, nor shall their names be published, posted or announced in any manner or used for any purpose other than the transportation program.

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Fees And Charges

BP 3260

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to ensure that books, materials, equipment, supplies, and other resources necessary for students' participation in the district's educational program are made available to them at no cost.

No student shall be required to pay a fee, deposit, or other charge for his/her participation in an educational activity which constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities. (Education Code 49010, 49011; 5 CCR 350)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

As necessary, the Board may approve fees, deposits, and other charges which are specifically authorized by law. When approving such fees, deposits, or charges, establishing fee schedules, or determining whether waivers or exceptions should be granted, the Board shall consider relevant data, including the socio-economic conditions of district students' families and their ability to pay.

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

The prohibition against student fees shall not restrict the district from soliciting for donations, participating in fundraising activities, or providing prizes or other recognition for participants in such activities and events. The Superintendent or designee shall emphasize that participation of students, parents/guardians, district employees, volunteers, or educational or civic organizations in such activities and events is voluntary. The district shall not offer or award to a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities in exchange for voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student. It also shall not remove or threaten to remove from a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities, or otherwise discriminate against the student, due to a lack of voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student.

(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)
(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)

The Superintendent or designee may provide additional information or professional development opportunities to administrators, teachers, and other personnel regarding permissible fees.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Complaints

A complaint alleging district noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring student fees, deposits, or other charges shall be filed in accordance with the district's procedures in BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 49013)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

If, upon investigation, the district finds merit in the complaint, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend and the Board shall adopt an appropriate remedy to be provided to all affected students and parents/guardians in accordance with 5 CCR 4600.

Information related to the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees for participation in an educational activity shall be included in the district's annual notification of uniform complaint procedures to be provided to all students, parents/guardians, employees, and other interested parties pursuant to 5 CCR 4622. (Education Code 49013)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

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8250 Child care and development services for children with disabilities
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8760-8774 Outdoor science and conservation programs
17453.1 District sale or lease of Internet appliances or personal computers to students or parents
17551 Property fabricated by students
19910-19911 Offenses against libraries
32033 Eye protective devices
32221 Insurance for athletic team member

32390 Fingerprinting program
35330-35332 Excursions and field trips
35335 School camp programs
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38120 Use of school band equipment on excursions to foreign countries
39801.5 Transportation for adults
39807.5 Payment of transportation costs
39837 Transportation of students to places of summer employment
48050 Residents of adjoining states
48052 Tuition for foreign residents
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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 0415 - Equity)

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

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(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Collection of Debt

The Superintendent or designee shall, in accordance with law, recover any debt owed to the district as a result of unpaid permissible student fees approved by the Board. However, the district shall not bill a current or former student for accumulated debt, nor take negative action against a student or former student because of such debt, including, but not limited to, any of the following: (Education Code 49014)

1. Denying full credit for any class assignment
2. Denying full and equal participation in any classroom activity
3. Denying access to the library or other on-campus educational facilities
4. Denying or withholding grades or transcripts
5. Denying or withholding a diploma
6. Limiting or barring participation in an extracurricular activity, club, or sport
7. Limiting or excluding the student from participation in an educational activity, field trip, or school ceremony

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- 17453.1 *District sale or lease of Internet appliances or personal computers to parents of students*
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- 19910-19911 *Offenses against libraries*
- 32033 *Eye protective devices*
- 32221 *Insurance for athletic team member*
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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Fees And Charges

AR 3260

Business and Noninstructional Operations

When approved by the Governing Board, the Superintendent or designee may impose a fee for the following: (5 CCR 350)

1. Insurance for athletic team members, with an exemption providing for the district to pay the cost of the insurance for any team member who is financially unable to pay (Education Code 32221)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

2. Insurance for medical or hospital service for students participating in field trips and excursions (Education Code 35331)

3. Expenses of students' participation in a field trip or excursion to another state, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country, as long as no student is prohibited from making the field trip due to lack of funds (Education Code 35330)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

4. Student fingerprinting program, as long as the fee does not exceed the actual costs associated with the program (Education Code 32390)

(cf. 5142.1 - Identification and Reporting of Missing Children)

5. School camp programs in outdoor science education, conservation education, or forestry operated pursuant to Education Code 8760-8774, provided that the fee is not mandatory and no student is denied the opportunity to participate for nonpayment of the fee (Education Code 35335)

(cf. 6142.5 - Environmental Education)

6. Reimbursement for the direct cost of materials provided by the district to a student for the fabrication of nonperishable personal property the student will take home for his/her own possession and use, such as wood shop, art, or sewing projects kept by the student (Education

Code 17551)

7. Home-to-school transportation and transportation between regular, full-time day schools and regional occupational centers, programs, or classes, as long as the fee does not exceed the statewide average nonsubsidized cost per student and exemptions are made for indigent and disabled students (Education Code 39807.5)

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

8. Transportation for students to and from their places of employment in connection with any summer employment program for youth (Education Code 39837)

9. Deposit for school band instruments, music, uniforms, and other regalia which school band members take on excursions to foreign countries (Education Code 38120)

10. Sale or lease of Internet appliances or personal computers for the purpose of providing access to the district's educational computer network, at no more than cost, as long as the district provides network access for families who cannot afford it (Education Code 17453.1)

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)

11. Fees for any community service class in civic, vocational, illiteracy, health, homemaking, and technical and general education, not to exceed the cost of maintaining the class (Education Code 51810, 51815)

(cf. 6142.4 - Service Learning/Community Service Classes)

12. Eye safety devices worn in courses or activities involving the use of hazardous substances likely to cause injury to the eyes, when being sold to students and/or teachers or instructors to keep and at a price not to exceed the district's actual costs (Education Code 32033)

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

13. Actual cost of furnishing copies of any student's records, except that no charge shall be made for furnishing up to two transcripts or two verifications of a former student's records or for reproducing records of a student with a disability when the cost would effectively prevent the parent/guardian from exercising the right to receive the copies (Education Code 49065, 56504)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

14. Actual costs of duplication for reproduction of the prospectus of school curriculum or for

copies of public records (Education Code 49091.14; Government Code 6253)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)

15. Food sold at school, subject to free and reduced-price meal program eligibility and other restrictions specified in law (Education Code 38084)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Funds)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)

16. As allowed in law, replacement cost or reimbursement for lost or damaged district books, supplies, or property, or for district property loaned to a student that he/she fails to return (Education Code 19910-19911, 48904)

(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)

17. Tuition for district school attendance by an out-of-state or out-of-country resident (Education Code 48050, 48052, 52613; 8 USC 1184)

(cf. 5111.2 - Nonresident Foreign Students)

18. Adult education books, materials, transportation, and classes, except that no fee may be charged for classes in elementary subjects or for which high school credit is granted when taken by a person who does not hold a high school diploma or, effective

July 1, 2015, classes in English and citizenship (Education Code 39801.5, 52612, 60410)

(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

19. Preschool and child care and development services, in accordance with the fee schedule established by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, unless the family qualifies for subsidized services or the program is for severely disabled children and the student is eligible to enroll in it (Education Code 8239, 8250, 8263)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

20. After School Education and Safety Programs, as long as no eligible student is denied the ability to participate because of inability to pay the fee (Education Code 8482.6)

21. Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Diploma examinations for college credits, as long as the examination is not a course requirement and the results have no impact on student grades or credits in the course

(cf. 6141.5 - Advanced Placement)

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FEES AND CHARGES

When approved by the Governing Board, the Superintendent or designee may impose a fee for the following: (5 CCR 350)

1. Insurance for athletic team members, with an exemption providing for the district to pay the cost of the insurance for any team member who is financially unable to pay (Education Code 32221)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

2. Insurance for medical or hospital service for students participating in field trips and excursions (Education Code 35331)
3. Expenses of students' participation in a field trip or excursion within the state or to another state, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country, as long as no student is prohibited from making the field trip due to lack of funds (Education Code 35330)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

4. Student fingerprinting program, as long as the fee does not exceed the actual costs associated with the program (Education Code 32390)

(cf. 5142.1 - Identification and Reporting of Missing Children)

5. School camp programs in outdoor science education, conservation education, or forestry operated pursuant to Education Code 8760-8774, provided that the fee is not mandatory and no student is denied the opportunity to participate for nonpayment of the fee (Education Code 35335)

(cf. 6142.5 - Environmental Education)

6. Reimbursement to the district for the direct cost of materials used by students to fabricate property they will take home for their own possession and use, such as wood shop, art, or sewing projects kept by students (Education Code 17551)
7. Home-to-school transportation and transportation between regular, full-time day schools and regional occupational centers, programs, or classes, as long as the fee does not exceed the statewide average nonsubsidized cost per student, the district provides a waiver based on financial need, and an exemption is made for any student with a disability whose individualized education program includes transportation as a related service necessary to receive a free appropriate public education (Education Code 39807.5)

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)

FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

8. Transportation for students to and from their places of employment in connection with any summer employment program for youth (Education Code 39837)
9. Deposit for school band instruments, music, uniforms, and other regalia which school band members take on excursions to foreign countries (Education Code 38120)
10. Sale or lease of personal computers or of Internet appliances that allow a person to connect to or access the district's educational network, provided that the items are sold or leased to parents/guardians at no more than cost and the district provides network access for families who cannot afford it (Education Code 17453.1)

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)

11. An adult education or secondary school community service class in civic, vocational, literacy, health, homemaking, and technical and general education, not to exceed the cost of maintaining the class (Education Code 51810-51815)

(cf. 6142.4 - Service Learning/Community Service Classes)

12. Eye safety devices worn in courses or activities involving the use of hazardous substances likely to cause injury to the eyes, when being sold to students and/or teachers or instructors to keep and at a price not to exceed the district's actual costs (Education Code 32033)

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
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FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Funds)
(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)

16. In accordance with law, replacement cost or reimbursement for lost or willfully damaged district books, supplies, or property, or for district property loaned to a student that the student fails to return (Education Code 19910-19911, 48904)

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(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5111.2 - Nonresident Foreign Students)

18. Adult education books, materials, transportation, and classes, except that no fee may be charged for classes in elementary subjects, classes for which high school credit is granted when taken by a person who does not hold a high school diploma, or classes in English and citizenship (Education Code 39801.5, 52612, 60410)

(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

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(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

20. Participation in a before-school or after-school program that is funded as an After School Education and Safety (ASES) program, 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC), or 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens program, provided that fees are waived or reduced for families with students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals and, in regard to ASES and 21st CCLC programs, fees are not charged if the district knows the student is a homeless or foster youth (Education Code 8422, 8482.6)

(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

FEES AND CHARGES (continued)

21. Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Diploma examinations for college credits, as long as the examination is not a course requirement and the results have no impact on student grades or credits in the course

(cf. 6141.4 - International Baccalaureate Program)

(cf. 6141.5 - Advanced Placement)

Collection of Debt

Before pursuing payment of any debt that has accumulated from unpaid permissible fees, the Superintendent or designee shall provide an itemized invoice for any amount owed by the parent/guardian on behalf of a student or former student. The invoice shall reference district policies related to debt collection and the rights established pursuant to Education Code 49014 and 49557.5. For each payment received, the district shall provide a receipt to the parent/guardian. (Education Code 49014)

The Superintendent or designee shall not sell debt owed by a parent/guardian of a student or former student. (Education Code 49014)

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Sale And Disposal Of Books, Equipment And Supplies

BP 3270

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its fiscal responsibility to maximize the use of district equipment, supplies, instructional materials, and other personal property while providing up-to-date resources that facilitate student learning and effective district operations. When the Board, upon recommendation of the Superintendent or designee, declares any district-owned personal property unusable, obsolete, or no longer needed, the Board shall determine the estimated value of the property and shall decide whether the property will be donated, sold, or otherwise disposed of as prescribed by law and administrative regulation.

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

(cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6163.1 - Library Media Centers)

The Board shall approve the price and terms of any sale or lease of personal property of the district.

If the Board members who are in attendance at a meeting unanimously agree that the property, whether one or more items, does not exceed \$2,500 in value, the property may be sold without advertising for bids. (Education Code 17546)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

If the Board members who are in attendance at a meeting unanimously find that the value of the property is insufficient to defray the costs of arranging a sale, the property may be donated to a charitable organization deemed appropriate by the Board or may be disposed of in the local public dump. (Education Code 17546)

Instructional materials shall be considered obsolete or unusable by the district if they have been replaced by more recent editions or new materials selected by the Board, are not aligned with the district's academic standards or course of study, and have no foreseeable value in other instructional areas. Such materials may be sold or donated if they continue to serve educational purposes that would benefit others outside the district. Instructional materials are not appropriate for sale or donation if they meet any of the following criteria:

1. Contain information rendered inaccurate or incomplete by new research or technologies

2. Contain demeaning, stereotyping, or patronizing references to any group of persons protected against discrimination by law or Board policy

3. Are damaged beyond use or repair

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to be used whenever the district sells equipment or supplies originally acquired under a federal grant or subgrant. Such procedures shall be designed to ensure the highest possible return. (2 CFR 200.313)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17540-17542 Sale or lease of personal property by one district to another

17545-17555 Sale of personal property

35168 Inventory, including record of time and mode of disposal

60510-60530 Sale, donation, or disposal of instructional materials

GOVERNMENT CODE

25505 District property; disposition; proceeds

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3944 Consolidated categorical programs, district title to equipment

3946 Disposal of equipment purchased with state and federal consolidated application funds

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 40

549 Surplus property

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

200.0-200.521 Federal uniform grant guidance

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

California School Accounting Manual

Standards for Evaluating Instructional Materials for Social Content, 2013

WEB SITES

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

School Services of California, Inc.: <http://www.sscal.com>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Sale And Disposal Of Books, Equipment And Supplies

AR 3270

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Instructional Materials

Surplus or undistributed obsolete instructional materials that are usable for educational purposes may be sold by the district. Alternatively, such materials may be donated to: (Education Code 60510)

1. Another district, county free library, or other state institution
2. A United States public agency or institution
3. A nonprofit charitable organization
4. Children or adults in California or foreign countries for the purpose of increasing the general literacy of the people

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6163.1 - Library Media Centers)

Any organization, agency, or institution receiving obsolete instructional materials donated by the district shall certify to the Governing Board that it agrees to make no charge to any persons to whom it gives or lends these materials. (Education Code 60511)

At least 60 days before selling or donating surplus or undistributed obsolete instructional materials, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the public of the district's intention to do so through a public service announcement on a local television station, in a local newspaper, or by other means that will most effectively reach the entities described above. Representatives of those entities and members of the public also shall be notified of the opportunity to address the Board regarding the distribution of these materials.

(cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)

Surplus or undistributed obsolete instructional materials which are unusable or which cannot be distributed as specified above may be disposed of by either of the following: (Education Code

60530)

1. Mutilated as not to be salable as instructional materials and sold for scrap or for use in the manufacture of paper pulp or other substances at the highest obtainable price
2. Destroyed by any economical means, provided that the materials are not destroyed until at least 30 days after the district has given notice to all persons who have filed a request for such notice

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)
(cf. 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management)

Equipment/Supplies Acquired with Federal Funds

When the district has a need to replace equipment originally purchased with funds from a federal grant or subgrant, it may, subject to the approval of the agency that awarded the grant, trade in the original equipment or sell the property and use the proceeds to offset the cost of the replacement property. (2 CFR 200.313)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

When any original or replacement equipment or supplies acquired under a federal grant or subgrant are no longer needed for the original project or program or for other federally supported activities, the district may retain or sell such items or, if the item has a current fair market value of less than \$5,000, may otherwise dispose of the item in a manner approved by the Board. Whenever the district sells equipment or supplies that have a current fair market value of \$5,000 or more, it shall provide an amount to the federal agency equal to the agency's share of the current market value of the equipment or the proceeds from the sale of the equipment or supplies. (2 CFR 200.313, 200.314)

In the event that the district is provided equipment that is federally owned, the district shall request disposition instructions from the federal agency when it no longer needs the equipment. (2 CFR 200.313)

Other Personal Property

The district may sell other surplus or obsolete district-owned personal property through any of the following methods:

1. The Superintendent or designee may advertise for bids by posting a notice in at least three public places in the district for at least two weeks, or by publishing a notice at least once a week for at least two weeks in a newspaper having a general circulation in the district and, if possible, publishing within the district. The district shall sell the property to the highest responsible bidder or shall reject all bids. (Education Code 17545, 17548)

Property for which no qualified bid has been received may be sold, without further advertising,

by the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 17546)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

2. The property may be sold by means of a public auction conducted by district employees, employees of other public agencies, or by contract with a private auction firm. (Education Code 17545)

3. The district may sell the property without advertising for bids under any of the following conditions:

a. The Board members in attendance at a meeting have unanimously determined that the property does not exceed \$2,500 in value. (Education Code 17546)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

b. The district sells the property to agencies of the federal, state, or local government, to any other school district, or to any agency eligible under the federal surplus property law and the sale price equals the cost of the property plus the estimated cost of purchasing, storing, and handling. (Education Code 17540; 40 USC 549)

c. The district sells or leases the property to agencies of the federal, state, or local government or to any other school district and the price and terms of the sale or lease are fixed by the Board and approved by the County Superintendent of Schools. (Education Code 17542)

Money received from the sale of surplus personal property shall be either deposited in the district reserve or general fund or credited to the fund from which the original purchase was made. (Education Code 17547)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

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Board Policy

Sale Or Lease Of District-Owned Real Property

BP 3280

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board believes that the district should utilize its facilities and resources in the most economical and practical manner. The Superintendent or designee shall periodically study the current and projected use of all district facilities to ensure the efficient utilization of space for the effective delivery of instruction.

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)
(cf. 7160 - Charter School Facilities)

Prior to the sale or lease of any surplus real property, the Board shall appoint a district advisory committee to advise the Board regarding the use or disposition of schools or school building space which is not needed for school purposes. (Education Code 17388-17389)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

Upon determination that district property is no longer needed, or may not be needed until some future time, the Board shall first submit a report to the local planning agency as to what real property the district intends to offer for sale or lease. Not less than 40 days after issuance of the report to the local planning agency, and prior to entering into any agreement for sale or lease of district real property, the Board shall offer to sell or lease district-owned real property in accordance with priorities and procedures specified in applicable law. (Education Code 17230, 17387-17391, 17457.5, 17464, 17485-17500; Government Code 54222, 65402)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

In addition, when selling real property purchased, constructed, or modernized with funds received within the past 10 years from a school facilities funding program, the Board shall consider whether any of the proceeds from the sale will need to be returned to the State Allocation Board (SAB) pursuant to Education Code 17462.3.

Resolution of Intention to Sell or Lease

Before ordering the sale or lease of any real property, the Board shall adopt a resolution by a two-thirds vote of all of its members at a regularly scheduled open meeting. The resolution shall describe the property proposed to be sold or leased in such a manner as to identify it, specify the minimum price or rent, describe the terms upon which it will be sold or leased, and specify the commission or rate, if any, which the Board will pay to a licensed real estate broker out of the minimum price or rent. The resolution shall fix a time, not less than three weeks thereafter, for a public meeting, held at the Board's regular meeting place, at which sealed proposals to purchase or lease will be received and considered. (Education Code 17466)

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide notice of the adoption of the resolution and of the time and place of the meeting that will be held to consider bids by posting copies of the resolution, signed by the Board, in three public places not less than 15 days before the date of the meeting. In addition, the notice shall be published at least once a week for three successive weeks before the meeting, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the county in which the district is located, if such a newspaper exists. (Education Code 17469)

In accordance with Education Code 17470, the Superintendent or designee shall take reasonable steps to provide notification to the former owners of the property of the district's intent to sell it.

Acceptance/Rejection of Bids

At the public meeting specified in the resolution of intention to sell or lease property, the Board shall open, examine, and declare all sealed bids. Before accepting a written proposal, the Board shall call for oral bids in accordance with law. (Education Code 17472, 17473)

The Board may reject any and all bids, either written or oral, and withdraw the properties from sale when the Board determines that rejection is in the best public interest. If no proposals are submitted or the submitted proposals do not conform to all the terms and conditions specified in the resolution of intention to lease, the Board may lease the property in accordance with Education Code 17477. (Education Code 17476, 17477)

Of the proposals submitted by responsible bidders which conform to all terms and conditions specified in the resolution of intention to sell or lease, the Board shall finally accept the highest bid after deducting the commission, if any, to be paid to a licensed real estate broker, unless the Board accepts a higher oral bid or rejects all bids. (Education Code 17472)

The final acceptance of the bid may be made either at the same meeting specified in the resolution or at any adjourned/continued meeting held within 10 days. Upon acceptance of the bid, the Board may adopt a resolution of acceptance that directs the Board president, or any other Board member, to execute the deed or lease and to deliver the document upon performance and compliance by the successful bidder of all of the terms and conditions of the contract.

(Education Code 17475-17478)

(cf. 1431 - Waivers)

Use of Proceeds

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the proceeds from the sale, or lease with an option to purchase, of district surplus property are used in accordance with law. (Education Code 17462; 2 CCR 1700)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Pursuant to the authorization in Education Code 17463.7, the district may expend proceeds from the sale of surplus real property, along with the proceeds from any personal property located on that real property, for any one-time general fund purpose(s). Before the district exercises this authority: (Education Code 17463.7)

1. The Board shall submit documents to the SAB certifying that:
 - a. The district has no major deferred maintenance requirements not covered by existing capital outlay resources.
 - b. The sale of real property pursuant to Education Code 17463.7 does not violate the provisions of a local bond act.

(cf. 7214 - General Obligation Bonds)

- c. The real property is not suitable to meet projected school construction needs for the next 10 years.
2. The Superintendent or designee shall present to the Board, at a regularly scheduled meeting, a plan for expending these one-time resources. The plan shall identify the source and use of the funds and shall describe the reasons that the expenditure shall not result in ongoing fiscal obligations for the district.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17219-17224 Acquisition of property not utilized as school site; nonuse payments; exemptions

17230-17234 Surplus property

17385 Conveyances to and from school districts

17387-17391 Advisory committees for use of excess school facilities

17400-17429 Leasing property

17430-17447 Leasing facilities

17453 Lease of surplus district property

17455-17484 Sale or lease of real property, especially:
17457.5 Offer to charter school
17462.3 State Allocation Board program to reclaim funds
17463.7 Proceeds for general fund purposes
17485-17500 Surplus school playground (Naylor Act)
17515-17526 Joint occupancy
17527-17535 Joint use of district facilities
33050 Request for waiver
38130-38139 Civic Center Act

GOVERNMENT CODE

54220-54232 Surplus land, especially:
54222 Offer to sell or lease property
54950-54963 Brown Act, especially:
54952 Legislative body, definition

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

21000-21177 California Environmental Quality Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

1700 Definitions related to surplus property

COURT DECISIONS

San Lorenzo Valley Community Advocates for Responsible Education v. San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District, (2006) 139 Cal.App. 4th 1356

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Closing a School Best Practices Guide

OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PUBLICATIONS

Unused Site Program Handbook, May 2008

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education, School Facilities Planning Division:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa>

Coalition for Adequate School Housing: <http://www.cashnet.org>

Office of Public School Construction: <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/opsc>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Sale Or Lease Of District-Owned Real Property

AR 3280

Business and Noninstructional Operations

District Advisory Committee

The district advisory committee on use or disposition of surplus school buildings or space shall consist of 7-11 members representative of each of the following: (Education Code 17389)

1. The district's ethnic, age group, and socioeconomic composition
2. The business community, such as store owners, managers, or supervisors
3. Landowners or renters, with preference to representatives of neighborhood associations
4. Teachers
5. Administrators
6. Parents/guardians of students
7. Persons with expertise in environmental impact, legal contracts, building codes, and land use planning, including, but not limited to, knowledge of the zoning and other land use restrictions of the cities and counties in which the surplus property is located

This committee shall: (Education Code 17390)

1. Review projected school enrollment and other data to determine the amount of surplus space and real property
2. Establish and circulate throughout the attendance area a priority list for use of surplus space and real property that will be acceptable to the community
3. Hold hearings, with community input, on acceptable uses of space and real property, including the sale or lease of surplus real property for child care development purposes
4. Make a final determination of limits of tolerance of use of space and real property
5. Send the Governing Board a report recommending uses of surplus space and real

property.

The district advisory committee shall comply with open meeting requirements of the Brown Act.
(Government Code 54952)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Gifts, Grants And Bequests

BP 3290

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board may accept any gift, grant, or bequest of money, property, or service to the district from any individual, private agency or organization, or other public agency that desires to support the district's educational program. While greatly appreciating suitable donations, the Board shall reject any gift which may directly or indirectly impair its authority to make decisions in the best interest of district students or its ability or commitment to provide equitable educational opportunities.

(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 1260 - Educational Foundation)

Before accepting any gift, grant, or bequest, the Board shall carefully consider any conditions or restrictions imposed by the donor to ensure their consistency with the district's vision, philosophy, and operations. If the Board believes the district will be unable to fully satisfy the donor's conditions, the gift shall not be accepted.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)

In addition, the Board shall ensure that acceptance of the gift, grant, or bequest does not:

1. Involve creation of a program which the Board would be unable to sustain when the donation is exhausted
2. Entail undesirable or excessive costs
3. Promote the use of violence, drugs, tobacco, or alcohol or the violation of any law or district policy

(cf. 5131.6 - Alcohol and Other Drugs)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

4. Imply endorsement of any business or product or unduly commercialize or politicize the school environment

(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)

Any gift of books and instructional materials shall be accepted only if they meet regular district criteria for selection of instructional materials.

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

All gifts, grants, and bequests shall become district property. Donors are encouraged to donate all gifts to the district rather than to a particular school. At the Superintendent or designee's discretion, a gift may be used at a particular school.

When any gift of money received by the district is not immediately used, it shall be placed in the county treasury in accordance with law. (Education Code 41030-41031)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide a report to the Board indicating the gifts, grants, and/or bequests received on behalf of the district in the preceding fiscal year. The report shall include a statement of account and expenditure of all gifts of money and an inventory of all gifts of physical assets.

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Appreciation

The Board may show appreciation for any donation to the district in any manner it deems appropriate. Such appreciation may take the form of letters of recognition or Board resolutions; plaques, commendations, or awards; planting of commemorative trees or gardens; or naming or renaming of buildings, grounds, or facilities. Conferment of any such honor shall be in accordance with applicable Board policy.

(cf. 1150 - Commendations and Awards)

(cf. 7310 - Naming of Facility)

Corporate Sponsorship

The Board may enter into an agreement or arrangement with an outside entity for the sponsorship of an educational, athletic, or other program or activity. When appropriate, the agreement may allow the outside entity to advertise or promote its business, product, or service in district publications or on district property or web sites.

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Every sponsorship agreement shall be in writing and shall be approved by the Board. The Board shall ensure that the district's relationship and arrangement with the sponsor are consistent

with the district's mission, values, and goals. Any advertising or promotional message, image, or other depiction to be used by the sponsor shall meet the standards set for commercial advertising on district property and in district-sponsored publications. No message, image, or other depiction that promotes the use of obscene language, pornography, alcohol, tobacco, or prohibited drugs or that advocates unlawful discrimination, use of violence, or the violation of law or district policy shall be allowed.

Each sponsorship agreement shall contain statements including, but not limited to:

1. The purpose of the relationship with the sponsor, details of the benefits to the district, and how the benefits will be distributed.
2. The duration of the agreement and the roles, expectations, rights, and responsibilities of the district and the sponsor, including whether and to what extent the sponsor is allowed to advertise or promote its products and/or services.
3. The authority of the Board to retain exclusive right over the use of the district's name, logo, and other proprietary information. The sponsor's use of such information shall require prior approval of the Board.
4. The authority of the Board to terminate the agreement without any penalty or sanction to the district if the sponsor's message, business, or product becomes inconsistent with district vision, mission, or goals or the sponsor engages in any prohibited activity.
5. The prohibition against the collection of students' personal information except as allowed by law.

(cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

Legal Reference:

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1834 Acquisition of materials and apparatus

35160 Powers and duties

35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property

41030 School district may invest surplus monies from bequest or gifts

41031 Special fund or account in county treasury

41032 Authority of school board to accept gift or bequest; investments; gift of land requirements

41035 Advisory committee

41036 Function of advisory committee

41037 Rules and regulations

41038 Applicability of other provisions of chapter

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Expenditures And Purchases

BP 3300

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its fiduciary responsibility to oversee the prudent expenditure of district funds. In order to best serve district interests, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain effective purchasing procedures that are consistent with sound financial controls and that ensure the district receives maximum value for items purchased. He/she shall ensure that records of expenditures and purchases are maintained in accordance with law.

(cf. 3000 - Concepts and Roles)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

Expending Authority

The Superintendent or designee may purchase supplies, materials, apparatus, equipment, and services up to the amounts specified in Public Contract Code 20111, beyond which a competitive bidding process is required. The Board shall not recognize obligations incurred contrary to Board policy and administrative regulations.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

The Board shall review all transactions entered into by the Superintendent or designee on behalf of the Board every 60 days. (Education Code 17605)

The Superintendent or designee may authorize an expenditure which exceeds the budget classification allowance against which the expenditure is the proper charge only if an amount sufficient to cover the purchase is available in the budget for transfer by the Board.

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

District funds shall not be expended for the purchase of alcoholic beverages. (Education Code 32435)

Purchasing Procedures

Insofar as possible, goods and services purchased shall meet the needs of the person or department ordering them at the lowest price consistent with standard purchasing practices. Maintenance costs, replacement costs, and trade-in values shall be considered when determining the most economical purchase price. When price, fitness, and quality are equal, recycled products shall be preferred when procuring materials for use in district schools and buildings.

(cf. 3314.2 - Revolving Funds)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

(cf. 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management)

All purchases shall be made by formal contract or purchase order or shall be accompanied by a receipt. In order to eliminate the processing of numerous small purchase orders, the Superintendent or designee may create a "blanket" or "open" purchase order system for the purchase of minor items as needed from a vendor. He/she shall ensure that the "open" purchase order system details a maximum purchase amount, the types of items that can be purchased under this order, the individuals authorized to approve purchases, and the expiration date of the "open" order.

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Bids

BP 3311

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board is committed to promoting public accountability and ensuring prudent use of public funds. When leasing, purchasing, or contracting for equipment, materials, supplies, or services for the district, including when contracting for public projects involving district facilities, the Board shall explore lawful opportunities to obtain the greatest possible value for its expenditure of public funds. When required by law, or if the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the district, such contracts shall be made using competitive bidding.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 3000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)
(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)
(cf. 3311.1 - Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures)
(cf. 3311.2 - Lease-Leaseback Contracts)
(cf. 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts)
(cf. 3311.4 - Procurement of Technological Equipment)

No work, project, service, or purchase shall be split or separated into smaller work orders or projects for the purpose of evading legal requirements for competitive bidding. (Public Contract Code 20116)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish comprehensive bidding procedures for the district in accordance with law. The procedures shall include a process for advertising bids, instructions and timelines for submitting and opening bids, and other relevant requirements.

For award of contracts which, by law or Board policy, require prequalification, the procedures shall identify a uniform system for rating bidders on the basis of a completed questionnaire and financial statements.

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

When calling for bids, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the bid specifications clearly describe in appropriate detail the quality, delivery, and service required and include all information which the district knows, or has in its possession, that is relevant to the work to be

performed or that may impact the cost of performing the work.

Except as authorized by law, contracts shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder who shall give such security as the Board requires, or else all bids shall be rejected. (Public Contract Code 20111)

When the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the district, the district may piggyback onto the contract of another public agency or corporation to lease or purchase any personal property to the extent authorized by law. (Public Contract Code 20118)

Legal Reference:

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17070.10-17079.30 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act

17250.10-17250.55 Design-build contracts

17406 Lease-leaseback contracts

17595 Purchase of supplies through Department of General Services

17602 Purchase of surplus property from federal agencies

38083 Purchase of perishable foodstuffs and seasonable commodities

38110-38120 Apparatus and supplies

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7056 General engineering contractor

7057 General building contractor

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Bids

AR 3311

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Advertised/Competitive Bids

The district shall advertise for any of the following: (Public Contract Code 20111)

1. A public project contract that involves an expenditure of \$15,000 or more, including a contract for construction, reconstruction, erection, alteration, renovation, improvement, painting, repainting, demolition, or repair work involving a district owned, leased, or operated facility with the exception of those that fall within BP 3311.1

(cf. 3311.1 - Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures)

(cf. 3311.2 - Lease-Leaseback Contracts)

(cf. 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts)

2. A contract that exceeds the amount specified in law, as annually adjusted by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, for any of the following:

a. The purchase of equipment, materials, or supplies to be furnished, sold, or leased to the district

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3311.4 - Procurement of Technological Equipment)

b. Services, not including construction services or special services and advice in accounting, financial, legal, or administrative matters

c. Repairs that are not a public project, including maintenance

Maintenance means routine, recurring, and usual work for preserving, protecting, and keeping a district facility operating in a safe, efficient, and continually usable condition for the intended purpose for which it was designed, improved, constructed, altered, or repaired. Maintenance includes, but is not limited to, carpentry, electrical, plumbing, glazing, and other craft work designed to preserve the facility, as well as repairs, cleaning, and other operations on machinery and other permanently attached equipment. Maintenance does not include painting, repainting, or

decorating other than touchup, or among other types of work, janitorial or custodial services and protection provided by security forces. (Public Contract Code 20115)

Instructions and Procedures for Advertised Bids

The Superintendent or designee shall call for bids by placing a notice at least once a week for two weeks in a local newspaper of general circulation published in the district, or if no such newspaper exists, then in some newspaper of general circulation that is circulated in the county. The Superintendent or designee also may post the notice on the district's web site or through an electronic portal. The notice shall state the work to be done or materials or supplies to be furnished and the time and place and web site where bids will be opened. (Public Contract Code 20112)

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

The notice shall contain the time, date, and location of any mandatory prebid conference, site visit, or meeting and details regarding when and where project documents, including the final plan and specifications, are available. Any such mandatory visit or meeting shall occur not less than five calendar days after the publication of the initial notice. (Public Contract Code 6610)

Bid instructions and specifications shall include the following requirements and information:

1. All bidders shall certify in writing the minimum, if not exact, percentage of post-consumer materials in products, materials, goods, or supplies offered or sold. (Public Contract Code 22152)

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

2. All bids for construction work shall be presented under sealed cover. The district may accept a bid that has been submitted electronically or on paper. (Public Contract Code 20111, 20112)

The bid shall be accompanied by a form of bidder's security, including either cash, a cashier's check payable to the district, a certified check made payable to the district, or a bidder's bond executed by an admitted surety insurer and made payable to the district. The security of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned in a reasonable period of time, but in no event later than 60 days after the bid is awarded. (Public Contract Code 20111, 20112)

3. When a standardized proposal form is provided by the district, bids not presented on the standard form shall be disregarded. (Public Contract Code 20111.5)

4. Bids shall not be accepted after the advertised bid opening time, regardless of whether the bids are actually opened at that time. (Public Contract Code 20112)

5. When two or more identical lowest or highest bids are received, the Governing Board may determine by lot which bid shall be accepted. (Public Contract Code 20117)

6. If the district requires that the bid include prices for items that may be added to or deducted from the scope of work in the contract, the bid solicitation shall specify which one of the following methods will be used to determine the lowest bid. In the absence of such a specification, only the method provided in item #6a below shall be used. (Public Contract Code 20103.8)

a. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract without consideration of the prices on the additive or deductive items.

b. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract and those additive or deductive items that were specifically identified in the bid solicitation as being used for the purpose of determining the lowest bid price.

c. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract and those additive or deductive items that, when taken in order from a specifically identified list of those items in the solicitation, and added to or subtracted from the base contract, are less than or equal to a funding amount publicly disclosed by the district before the first bid is opened.

The lowest bid shall be determined in a manner that prevents any information that would identify any of the bidders or proposed subcontractors or suppliers from being revealed to the district before the ranking of all bidders from lowest to highest has been determined. (Public Contract Code 20103.8)

7. In determining the lowest bid, the district shall consider only responsive bids that conform to bid specifications and are submitted by responsible bidders who have demonstrated trustworthiness, quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the public works contract.

a. When a bid is determined to be nonresponsive, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the bidder and give him/her an opportunity to respond to the determination.

b. When the lowest bidder is determined to be nonresponsible, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the bidder of his/her right to present evidence of his/her responsibility at a hearing before the Board.

8. After being opened, all submitted bids become public records pursuant to Government Code 6252 and shall be made available for public review pursuant to law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Prequalification Procedure

When required by law or the Board, the Superintendent or designee shall establish a uniform system for rating bidders on the basis of completed questionnaires and financial statements in

order to determine the size of contracts on which each bidder is qualified to bid. For this purpose, the Superintendent or designee shall furnish prospective bidders a standardized prequalification questionnaire and financial record which, when completed, shall indicate a bidder's statement of financial ability and experience in performing public works. The bidder's information shall be verified under oath in the manner in which civil law pleadings are verified. The questionnaires and financial statements shall not be public records and shall not be open to public inspection. (Code of Civil Procedure 446; Public Contract Code 20111.5, 20111.6)

When any public project involves an expenditure of \$1,000,000 or more and is funded or reimbursed wholly or partly by the School Facilities Program funds or other future state school bond, the district shall prequalify prospective bidders either quarterly or annually. The prequalification shall be valid for one year and the following requirements shall apply: (Public Contract Code 20111.6)

1. Prospective bidders, including, but not limited to, prime, general engineering, and general building contractors and electrical, mechanical, and plumbing subcontractors, as defined in Public Contract Code 4113 or Business and Professions Code 7056 or 7057, as applicable, shall submit a standardized questionnaire and financial statement 10 or more business days, as determined by the district, before the date fixed for the public opening of sealed bids.
2. Prospective bidders shall be prequalified by the district five or more business days, as determined by the district, before the date fixed for the public opening of sealed bids.

If the project includes electrical, mechanical, or plumbing components that will be performed by electrical, mechanical, or plumbing contractors, the Superintendent or designee shall make available to all bidders a list of prequalified general contractors and electrical, mechanical, and plumbing subcontractors five or more business days, as determined by the district, before the date fixed for the public opening of sealed bids.

For all other contracts requiring competitive bidding, the district may establish a procedure for prequalifying bidders on a quarterly basis and may authorize that prequalification be considered valid for up to one calendar year following the date of the initial prequalification. Prospective bidders for such contracts shall submit the questionnaire and financial statement at least five days before the date fixed for public opening of sealed bids and shall be prequalified by the district at least one day before the fixed bid-opening date. (Public Contract Code 20111.5)

Award of Contract

The district shall award each contract to the lowest responsible bidder, except in the following circumstances:

1. When the contract is for the procurement and/or maintenance of electronic data processing systems and supporting software, in which case the Board may contract with any one of the three lowest responsible bidders (Public Contract Code 20118.1)
2. When the contract is for any transportation service which involves an expenditure of

more than \$10,000 and which will be made with any person or corporation other than a common carrier, municipally owned transit system, or a parent/guardian of a student who is to be transported, in which case the Board may contract with other than the lowest bidder (Education Code 39802)

3. When the contract is one for which the Board has established goals and requirements relating to participation of disabled veteran or small business enterprises in accordance with Public Contract Code 2000-2002, in which case the Board may contract with the lowest responsible bidder who submits a responsive bid and complies or makes a good faith effort to comply with the goals and requirements (Public Contract Code 2000-2002)

4. When procuring a lease-leaseback contract, in which case the Board shall award the contract based on objective criteria for determining the best combination of price and qualifications in accordance with Education Code 17400 and 17406

(cf. 3311.2 - Lease-Leaseback Contracts)

5. When procuring a design-build contract for a public works project in excess of \$1,000,000 in accordance with Education Code 17250.20, in which case the Board may award the contract to either the low bid or the best value to the district, taking into consideration, at a minimum, price, technical design and construction expertise, and life-cycle costs (Education Code 17250.20, 17250.25)

(cf. 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts)

Protests by Bidders

A bidder may protest a bid award if he/she believes that the award is not in compliance with law, Board policy, or the bid specification. A protest must be filed in writing with the Superintendent or designee within five working days after receipt of notification of the contract award and shall include all documents supporting or justifying the protest. A bidder's failure to file the protest documents in a timely manner shall constitute a waiver of his/her right to protest the award of the contract.

The Superintendent or designee shall review the documents submitted with the bidder's claims and render a decision in writing within 30 working days. The Superintendent or designee may also convene a meeting with the bidder in order to attempt to resolve the problem.

The bidder may appeal the Superintendent or designee's decision to the Board. The Superintendent or designee shall provide notice to the bidder of the date and time for Board consideration of the protest at least three business days before the Board meeting. The Board's decision shall be final.

Limitation on Use of Sole Sourcing

In any contract for the construction, alteration, or repair of school facilities, the Superintendent

or designee shall ensure that the bid specification: (Public Contract Code 3002, 3400)

1. Does not directly or indirectly limit bidding to any one specific concern
2. Does not call for a designated material, product, thing, or service by a specific brand or trade name, unless the specification is followed by the words "or equal," so that bidders may furnish any equal material, product, thing, or service

In any such case, the bid specification shall provide a time period, before and/or after the award of the contract, for the contractor to submit data substantiating the request for substituting the designated material, product, thing, or service. If no such time period is specified, the contractor may submit the data within 35 days after the award of the contract.

When the bid is for a roof project, a material, product, thing, or service is considered "equal" to that designated if it is equal in quality, durability, design, and appearance; will perform the intended function equally well; and conforms substantially to the detailed requirements in the bid specification.

However, the Superintendent or designee may designate a specific material, product, thing, or service by brand or trade name (sole sourcing) if the Board has made a finding, described in the invitation for bids or request for proposals (RFP), that a particular material, product, thing, or service is designated for any of the following purposes: (Public Contract Code 3400)

1. To conduct a field test or experiment to determine its suitability for future use
2. To match others in use on a particular public improvement that has been completed or is in the course of completion
3. To obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source
4. To respond to the Board's declaration of an emergency, as long as the declaration has been approved by four-fifths of the Board when issuing the invitation for bid or RFP

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

Bids Not Required

Without advertising for bids and upon a determination that it is in the best interest of the district, the Board may authorize another public corporation or agency, by contract, lease, requisition, or purchase order, to lease data-processing equipment or to purchase materials, supplies, equipment, automotive vehicles, tractors, and other personal property for the district in the manner that the other public corporation or agency is authorized to make the leases or purchases from a vendor ("piggyback"). Alternatively, if the public corporation or agency has an existing contract with a vendor for the lease or purchase of personal property, the district may authorize the lease or purchase of personal property directly from the vendor and make payments under the same terms that are available to the public corporation or agency under the contract. (Public

Contract Code 20118)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

Without advertising for bids, the Board may enter into an energy service contract and any related facility ground lease, when it determines that the terms of the contract and lease are in the best interest of the district and meet the cost effectiveness requirements specified in Government Code 4217.12. The Board's determination shall be made at a regularly scheduled public hearing of which notice is given to the public at least two weeks in advance and shall be based on cost and savings comparison findings specified in Government Code 4217.12. (Government Code 4217.12)

(cf. 3511 - Energy and Water Management)

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

Supplementary textbooks, library books, educational films, audiovisual materials, test materials, workbooks, instructional computer software packages, or periodicals may be purchased in any amount without taking estimates or advertising for bids. (Public Contract Code 20118.3)

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6163.1 - Library Media Centers)

Perishable foodstuffs and seasonal commodities needed in the operations of cafeterias may be purchased through bid or on the open market. (Education Code 38083)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

Bids shall not be required for day labor under circumstances specified in Public Contract Code 20114. Day labor shall include the use of maintenance personnel employed on a permanent or temporary basis. (Public Contract Code 20114)

In an emergency when any repairs, alterations, work, or improvement to any school facility is necessary to permit the continuance of existing school classes or to avoid danger to life or property, the Board may, by unanimous vote and with the approval of the County Superintendent of Schools, contract for labor and materials or supplies without advertising for or inviting bids or may authorize the use of day labor or force account for the emergency purpose. (Public Contract Code 1102, 20113)

(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

The district may purchase any surplus property from the federal government or any of its agencies in any quantity needed for the operation of its schools without taking estimates or advertising for bids. (Education Code 17602)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures

BP 3311.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

In awarding contracts for public works projects involving district facilities, the Governing Board desires to obtain the best value to the district and ensure the qualifications of contractors to complete the project in a satisfactory manner. The Board has, by resolution, adopted the procedures set forth in the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act pursuant to Public Contract Code 22030-22045, including the informal bidding procedures when allowed by law.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

The Board delegates to the Superintendent or designee the responsibilities to award any contract eligible for informal bidding procedures and to develop plans, specifications, and working details for all public projects requiring formal bidding procedures.

No work, project, service, or purchase shall be split or separated into smaller work orders or projects for the purpose of evading legal requirements for competitive bidding. (Public Contract Code 22033)

Projects awarded through the UPCCAA shall be subject to the cost accounting procedures established by the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission. (Public Contract Code 22030)

Emergency Actions

When formal bids are required by law but an emergency necessitates immediate repair or replacements, the Board may, upon a four-fifths vote of the Board, proceed to replace or repair a facility without adopting plans, specifications, strain sheets, or working details or giving notice for bids to let contracts. The work may be done by day labor under the direction of the Board and/or contractor. The emergency action shall subsequently be reviewed by the Board in accordance with Public Contract Code 22050 and shall be terminated at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant, so that the remainder of the emergency action may be completed by giving notice for bids to let contracts. (Public Contract Code 1102, 22035, 22050)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures

AR 3311.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Procedures for awarding contracts for public works projects shall be determined on the basis of the amount of the project, as follows:

1. Public projects of \$45,000 or less may be performed by district employees by force account, negotiated contract, or purchase order. (Public Contract Code 22032)

2. Contracts for public projects of \$175,000 or less may be awarded through the following informal procedures: (Public Contract Code 22032, 22034, 22038)
 - a. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a list of qualified contractors, identified according to categories of work.

 - b. The Superintendent or designee shall prepare a notice inviting informal bids which describes the project in general terms, explains how to obtain more information about the project, and states the time and place for submission of bids. The notice shall be disseminated by mail, fax, or email to all contractors on the district's list for the category of work being bid, unless the product or service is proprietary, at least 10 calendar days before bids are due. In addition, the Superintendent or designee may mail, fax, or email a notice inviting informal bids to all construction trade journals identified pursuant to Public Contract Code 22036.

 - c. The district shall review the informal bids and award the contract, except that:
 - (1) If all bids received through the informal process are in excess of \$175,000, the contract may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, provided that the Governing Board adopts a resolution with a four-fifths vote to award the contract at \$187,500 or less and the Board determines the district's cost estimate is reasonable.

 - (2) If no bids are received through the informal bid procedure, the project may be performed by district employees by force account or negotiated contract.

3. Public projects of more than \$175,000 shall, except as otherwise provided by law, be subject to formal bidding procedures, as follows: (Public Contract Code 22032, 22037, 22038)

a. Notice inviting formal bids shall state the time and place for receiving and opening sealed bids and distinctly describe the project. The notice shall be disseminated in both of the following ways:

(1) Through publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the district's jurisdiction or, if there is no such newspaper, then by posting the notice in at least three places designated by the district as places for posting its notices. Such notice shall be published at least 14 calendar days before the date that bids will be opened.

(2) By mail and electronically, if available, by either fax or email, to all construction trade journals identified pursuant to Public Contract Code 22036. Such notice shall be sent at least 15 calendar days before the date that bids will be opened.

In addition to the notice required above, the district may give such other notice as it deems proper.

b. The district shall award the contract as follows:

(1) The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. If two or more bids are the same and the lowest, the district may accept the one it chooses.

(2) At its discretion, the district may reject all bids presented and declare that the project can be more economically performed by district employees, provided that the district notifies an apparent low bidder, in writing, of the district's intention to reject the bid. Such notice shall be mailed at least two business days prior to the hearing at which the district intends to reject the bid.

(3) If no bids are received through the formal bid procedure, the project may be performed by district employees by force account or negotiated contract.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

UNIFORM PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION COST ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES

Procedures for awarding contracts for public works projects shall be determined on the basis of the amount of the project, as follows:

1. Public projects of \$60,000 or less may be performed by district employees by force account, negotiated contract, or purchase order. (Public Contract Code 22032)
2. Contracts for public projects of \$200,000 or less may be awarded through the following informal procedures: (Public Contract Code 22032, 22034, 22038)
 - a. The Superintendent or designee shall prepare a notice inviting informal bids which describes the project in general terms, explains how to obtain further information about the project, and states the time and place for the submission of bids. This notice shall be disseminated by mail, fax, or email to either or both of the following:
 - (1) All contractors on a list of qualified contractors maintained by the district for the category of work being bid, unless the product or service is proprietary, at least 10 calendar days before bids are due
 - (2) All construction trade journals identified pursuant to Public Contract Code 22036
 - b. The district shall review the informal bids that were submitted and award the contract, except that:
 - (1) If all bids received through the informal process are in excess of \$200,000, the contract may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, provided that the Governing Board adopts a resolution with a four-fifths vote to award the contract at \$212,500 or less and the Board determines the district's cost estimate is reasonable.
 - (2) If no bids are received through the informal bid procedure, the project may be performed by district employees by force account or negotiated contract.
3. Public projects of more than \$200,000 shall, except as otherwise provided by law, be subject to formal bidding procedures, as follows: (Public Contract Code 22032, 22037, 22038)
 - a. Notice inviting formal bids shall state the time and place for receiving and opening sealed bids and distinctly describe the project. The notice shall be disseminated in both of the following ways:

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- (1) Through publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the district's jurisdiction or, if there is no such newspaper, then by posting the notice in at least three places designated by the district as places for posting its notices. Such notice shall be published at least 14 calendar days before the date that bids will be opened.
- (2) By mail and electronically, if available, by either fax or email, to all construction trade journals identified pursuant to Public Contract Code 22036. Such notice shall be sent at least 15 calendar days before the date that bids will be opened.

In addition to the notice required above, the district may give such other notice as it deems proper.

b. The district shall award the contract as follows:

- (1) The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. If two or more bids are the same and the lowest, the district may accept the one it chooses.
- (2) At its discretion, the district may reject all bids presented and declare that the project can be more economically performed by district employees, provided that the district notifies an apparent low bidder, in writing, of the district's intention to reject the bid. Such notice shall be mailed at least two business days prior to the hearing at which the district intends to reject the bid.
- (3) If no bids are received through the formal bid procedure, the project may be performed by district employees by force account or negotiated contract.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Lease-Leaseback Contracts

AR 3311.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The district may lease currently owned district property to any person, firm, or corporation for a minimum of \$1 per year, as long as the lease requires the person, firm, or corporation to construct a building or buildings on the property for the district's use during the lease and the property and building(s) will vest in the district at the expiration of the lease ("lease-leaseback"). (Education Code 17406)

(cf. 3280 - Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Any lease-leaseback contract shall be awarded through a competitive "best value" procurement process whereby a person, firm, or corporation is selected on the basis of objective criteria for evaluating the qualifications of proposers, with the resulting selection representing the best combination of price and qualifications. To make this determination, the district shall use the following procedures: (Education Code 17400, 17406)

1. Request for Sealed Proposals: The Superintendent or designee shall prepare a request for sealed proposals which shall include:
 - a. An estimate of the project's price
 - b. A clear, precise description of any preconstruction services that may be required and the facilities to be constructed
 - c. The key elements of the contract to be awarded
 - d. A description of the format that proposals shall follow and the elements they shall contain
 - e. The standards the district will use in evaluating proposals
 - f. The date on which proposals are due
 - g. The timetable the district will follow in reviewing and evaluating proposals

2. Notice: At least 10 days before the date for receipt of the proposals, the Superintendent or designee shall give notice of the request for sealed proposals using both of the following methods:

a. Providing notice at least once a week for two weeks in a local newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Public Contract Code 20112

b. Providing notice in a trade paper of general circulation published in the county where the project is located

The Superintendent or designee also may post the notice on the district's web site or through an electronic portal.

3. Prequalification: A proposer shall be prequalified in accordance with Public Contract Code 20111.6(b)-(m) in order to submit a proposal. Any electrical, mechanical, and plumbing subcontractors shall be subject to the same prequalification requirements.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

4. Evaluation Criteria: The request for sealed proposals shall identify all criteria that the district will consider in evaluating the proposals and qualifications of the proposers, including relevant experience, safety record, price proposal, and other factors specified by the district. The price proposal shall include, at the district's discretion, either a lump-sum price for the contract to be awarded or the proposer's proposed fee to perform the services requested, including the proposer's proposed fee to perform preconstruction services or any other work related to the facilities to be constructed, as requested by the district.

The request for sealed proposals shall specify whether each criterion will be evaluated on a pass-fail basis or will be scored as part of the "best value" score, and whether proposers must achieve any minimum qualification score for award of the contract. For each scored criterion, the district shall identify the methodology and rating or weighting system that will be used by the district in evaluating the criterion, including the weight assigned to the criterion and any minimum acceptable score.

5. Evaluation of Proposals: All proposals received shall be reviewed to determine whether they meet the format requirements and the standards specified in the request for sealed proposals. The district shall evaluate the qualifications of the proposers based solely upon the criteria and evaluation methodology set forth in the request for sealed proposals, and shall assign a best value score to each proposal. Once the evaluation is complete, all responsive proposals shall be ranked from the highest best value to the lowest best value to the district.

6. Award of Contract: The award of the contract shall be made by the Governing Board to the responsive proposer whose proposal is determined, in writing by the Board, to be the best value to the district.

If the selected proposer refuses or fails to execute the tendered contract, the Board may award the contract to the proposer with the second highest best value score, if deemed in the best interest of the district. If that proposer then refuses or fails to execute the tendered contract, the Board may award the contract to the proposer with the third highest best value score.

Upon issuance of a contract award, the district shall publicly announce its award, identifying the entity to which the award is made, along with a statement regarding the basis of the award. The statement regarding the contract award and the contract file shall provide sufficient information to satisfy an external audit.

7. Rejection of Proposals: At its discretion, the Board may reject all proposals and request new proposals.

Prior to entering into a lease-leaseback agreement, the Superintendent or designee shall have on file the contractor's enforceable commitment that the contractor and its subcontractors at every tier will use a skilled and trained workforce to perform all work on the project or contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation in the building and construction trades. (Education Code 17407.5)

Any lease-leaseback agreement shall be reviewed by the district's legal counsel to ensure that all required terms, including a lease term that provides for the district's occupancy of the building or improved property during the lease and an appropriate financing component, are included in the agreement.

(cf. 9124 - Attorney)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17400 Definitions

17406 Lease-leaseback contract

17407.5 Use of a skilled and trained workforce

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

20111.6 Prequalification procedures

20112 Notices

COURT DECISIONS

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California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Design-Build Contracts

AR 3311.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board may approve a contract with a single entity for both design and construction of any school facility in excess of \$1,000,000, awarding the contract to either the low bid or the best value as determined by evaluation of objective criteria. (Education Code 17250.20)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

(cf. 7140 - Architectural and Engineering Services)

Design-build documents shall not include provisions for long-term project operations, but may include operations during a training or transition period. (Education Code 17250.25)

The procurement process for design-build projects shall be as follows: (Education Code 17250.25, 17250.35)

1. The district shall prepare a set of documents setting forth the scope and estimated price of the project. The documents may include, but are not limited to:
 - a. The size, type, and desired design character of the project
 - b. Performance specifications that cover the quality of materials, equipment, and workmanship
 - c. Preliminary plans or building layouts
 - d. Any other information deemed necessary to describe adequately the district's needs

The performance specifications and any plans shall be prepared by a design professional who is duly licensed and registered in California.

2. The district shall prepare and issue a request for qualifications in order to prequalify, or develop a short list of, the design-build entities whose proposals shall be evaluated for final selection. The request for qualifications shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following elements:

- a. Identification of the basic scope and needs of the project or contract, the expected cost range, the methodology that will be used by the district to evaluate proposals, the procedure for final selection of the design-build entity, and any other information deemed necessary by the district to inform interested parties of the contracting opportunity
- b. Significant factors that the district reasonably expects to consider in evaluating qualifications, including technical design and construction expertise, acceptable safety record, and all other non-price-related factors
- c. A standard template request for statements of qualifications prepared by the district, which shall contain all of the information required pursuant to Education Code 17250.25

The district also may identify specific types of subcontractors that must be included in the statement of qualifications and proposal.

A design-build entity shall not be prequalified or short-listed unless the entity provides an enforceable commitment to the district that the entity and its subcontractors at every tier will use a skilled and trained workforce, as defined in Education Code 17250.25, to perform all work on the project or contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation in the building and construction trades. The entity may demonstrate such commitment through a project labor agreement, by becoming a party to the district's project labor agreement, or through an agreement with the district to provide evidence of compliance on a monthly basis during the performance of the project or contract.

3. The district shall prepare a request for proposals (RFP) that invites prequalified or short-listed entities to submit competitive sealed proposals in a manner prescribed by the district. The RFP shall include the information identified in items #2a and 2b above and the relative importance or weight assigned to each of the factors. If the district uses a best value selection method for a project, the district may reserve the right to request proposal revisions and hold discussions and negotiations with responsive proposers, in which case the district shall so specify in the request for proposals and shall publish separately or incorporate into the request for proposals applicable procedures to be observed by the district to ensure that any discussions or negotiations are conducted in good faith.

4. For those projects utilizing low bid as the final selection method, the bidding process shall result in lump-sum bids by the prequalified or short-listed design-build entities, and the contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

5. For those projects utilizing best value as a selection method, the following procedures shall be used:

- a. Competitive proposals shall be evaluated using only the criteria and selection procedures specifically identified in the request for proposals. Criteria shall be weighted as deemed appropriate by the district and shall, at a minimum, include price, unless a stipulated sum is specified; technical design and construction experience; and life-cycle costs over 15 or more

years.

b. Following any discussions or negotiations with responsive proposers and completion of the evaluation process, the responsive proposers shall be ranked on a determination of value provided, provided that no more than three proposers are required to be ranked.

c. The contract shall be awarded to the responsible entity whose proposal is determined by the district to have offered the best value to the public.

d. The district shall publicly announce the contract award, identifying the entity to which the award is made and the basis of the award. This statement and the contract file shall provide sufficient information to satisfy an external audit.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17250.10-17250.55 Design-build contracts

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>

California Department of Education, Facilities: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Procurement Of Technological Equipment

AR 3311.4

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Rather than seek competitive bids, the district may use competitive negotiation when it makes a finding that a district procurement is for computers, software, telecommunications equipment, microwave equipment, or other related electronic equipment and apparatus. Competitive negotiation shall not be used to contract for any product that is available in substantial quantities to the general public. (Public Contract Code 20118.2)

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Whenever the competitive negotiation process is determined to be appropriate for such procurements, the district shall use the following procedures: (Public Contract Code 20118.2)

1. The Superintendent or designee shall prepare a request for proposals (RFP) that shall be submitted to an adequate number of qualified sources, as determined by the district, to permit reasonable competition consistent with the nature and requirement of the procurement.
2. Notice of the RFP shall be published at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation, at least 10 days before the date for receipt of the proposals.
3. The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to generate the maximum feasible number of proposals from qualified sources, and shall make a finding to that effect before proceeding to negotiate if only a single response to the RFP is received.
4. The RFP shall identify all significant evaluation factors, including price, and their relative importance.
5. The Superintendent or designee shall provide reasonable procedures for the technical evaluation of the RFPs received, the identification of qualified sources, and the selection for the award of the contract.
6. The Governing Board shall award the contract to the qualified bidder whose proposal meets the evaluation standards and will be most advantageous to the district, considering price and all other factors.

7. If the Board does not award the contract to the bidder whose proposal contains the lowest price, then the Board shall make a finding setting forth the basis for the award to another bidder.

8. The Board, at its discretion, may reject all proposals and request new RFPs.

Provisions in any contract concerning utilization of small business enterprises that are in accordance with the RFP shall not be subject to negotiation with the successful proposer. (Public Contract Code 20118.2)

Legal Reference:

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

20118.2 Contracting by school districts; technological equipment

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Contracts

BP 3312

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to enter into contracts on behalf of the district for the acquisition of equipment, supplies, services, and other resources necessary for the achievement of district goals. In exercising this authority to enter into a contract, the Board shall ensure that the district's interest is protected and that the terms of the contract conform to applicable legal standards, including the bidding requirements in Public Contract Code 20111.

(cf. 2121- Superintendent's Contract)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 4312.1 - Contracts)

(cf. 9124 - Attorney)

The Board may, by a majority vote, delegate to the Superintendent or designee the authority to enter into contracts on behalf of the district. To be valid or to constitute an enforceable obligation against the district, all such contracts must be approved and/or ratified by the Board.

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3314 - Payment for Goods and Services)

Every contract entered into on behalf of the district shall be made available for public inspection, except when the law prohibits disclosure. No contract shall prohibit a district employee from disparaging the goods or services of any contracting party.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

Contracts for Non-nutritious Foods or Beverages

The district shall not enter into or renew a contract for the sale of foods or beverages that do not meet applicable nutritional standards specified in Education Code 49431-49431.7, 5 CCR 15500-15501 or 15575-15578, or 7 CFR 210.11 or 220.12, unless the contract specifies that such sale will occur off campus or outside the time restriction specified in the applicable law.

(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

Before the district enters into or renews a contract that grants exclusive or nonexclusive advertising or sale of carbonated beverages, non-nutritious beverages, or non-nutritious foods as defined in law, the Board shall ensure that the district has sufficient internal controls in place to protect the integrity of public funds and to ensure that funds raised as a result of the contract benefit public education. (Education Code 35182.5)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop the district's internal control procedures to protect the integrity of public funds. Such internal controls may include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Procedures that produce accurate and reliable financial statements and, at the same time, safeguard the assets, financial resources, and integrity of every employee responsible for handling money or property. Control systems shall be systematically evaluated and revised to keep pace with the changing responsibilities of management.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

2. Procedures to ensure that district personnel do not handle cash or product at the school site. The contract shall specify that the vendor stock the machines and shall provide cash accounting, along with a check, for district proceeds directly to the control office.

To ensure that funds raised by the contract benefit district schools and students:

1. The Superintendent or designee may invite parents/guardians, students, staff, and interested community members to make recommendations regarding the contract, including recommendations as to how the funds will be spent in a manner that benefits public education.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

2. Prior to ratifying the contract, the Board shall designate the specific programs and activities that will be funded by the proceeds of the contract and consider how the contract reflects the district's vision and goals.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)

(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

3. The contract shall specify that the contractor report, on a quarterly basis, to the Superintendent or designee the number of food items or beverages sold within the district and the amount of money raised by the sales. The Superintendent or designee shall report these amounts to the Board on a regular basis.

4. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the contract does not limit the ability of student and parent organizations to plan and operate fundraising activities.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)

Any contract for the sale or advertisement of non-nutritious foods or carbonated or non-nutritious beverages shall be entered into on a competitive bid basis pursuant to Public Contract Code 20111 or through the issuance of a Request for Proposal. (Education Code 35182.5)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

The Board shall not enter into or renew any contract that grants exclusive or nonexclusive advertising or sale of carbonated beverages, non-nutritious beverages, or non-nutritious foods until parents/guardians, students, and members of the public have had an opportunity to comment on the contract at a public hearing held during a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Board shall clearly, and in a manner recognizable to the general public, identify in the agenda the contract to be discussed at the meeting. (Education Code 35182.5)

(cf. 9322 - Agendas/Meeting Materials)
(cf. 9323 - Meeting Conduct)

The public hearing shall include, but not be limited to, a discussion of the nutritional value of foods and beverages sold within the district; the availability of fresh fruit, vegetables, and grains in school meals and snacks, including locally grown and organic produce; the amount of fat, sugar, and additives in the foods and beverages discussed; and barriers to student participation in school breakfast and lunch programs. (Education Code 35182.5)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

The contract shall be accessible to the public and may not include a confidentiality clause that would prevent the district or a district school from making any part of the contract public. (Education Code 35182.5)

Contracts for Electronic Products or Services

The Board shall not enter into a contract for electronic products or services that requires the dissemination of advertising to students, unless the Board: (Education Code 35182.5)

1. Enters into the contract at a noticed, public hearing of the Board.

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

2. Makes a finding that the electronic product or service is or would be an integral component of the education of students.

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)

3. Makes a finding that the district cannot afford to provide the electronic product or service unless it contracts to permit dissemination of advertising to students.

(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)

4. As part of the district's normal, ongoing communication to parents/guardians, provides written notice that the advertising will be used in the classroom or other learning center.

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

5. Offers parents/guardians the opportunity to request in writing that their child not be exposed to the program that contains the advertising. A request shall be honored for the school year in which it is submitted, or longer if specified, but may be withdrawn by the parents/guardians at any time.

Contracts for Digital Storage and Maintenance of Student Records

The district may enter into or renew a contract with a third party for the purpose of providing services, including cloud-based services, for the digital storage, management, and retrieval of student records and/or to provide digital educational software that authorizes a third-party provider of digital educational software to access, store, and use student records. For these purposes, student records include any information maintained by the district that is directly related to a student and any information acquired directly from the student through the use of instructional software or applications assigned to the student by a teacher or other district employee, and do not include de-identified information. (Education Code 49073.1)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

Any such contract shall contain all of the following: (Education Code 49073.1)

1. A statement that student records continue to be the property of and under the control of the district
2. If applicable, a description of the means by which students may retain possession and control of their own student-generated content, as defined in Education Code 49073.1, including options by which a student may transfer student-generated content to a personal account
3. A prohibition against the third party using any information in the student record for any purpose other than those required or specifically permitted by the contract
4. A description of the procedures by which a parent/guardian or a student age 18 years or older may review personally identifiable information in the student's records and correct erroneous information

5. A description of the actions the third party will take, including the designation and training of responsible individuals, to ensure the security and confidentiality of student records
6. A description of the procedures for notifying the affected parent/guardian, or the affected student if age 18 years or older, in the event of an unauthorized disclosure of the student's records
7. A certification that a student's records shall not be retained or available to the third party upon completion of the terms of the contract and a description of how that certification will be enforced, except that these requirements shall not apply to student-generated content if the student chooses to establish or maintain an account with the third party for the purpose of storing that content
8. A description of how the district and the third party will jointly ensure compliance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 USC 1232g
9. A prohibition against the third party using personally identifiable information in student records to engage in targeted advertising

Contracts for Personal Services

In order to achieve cost savings, the district may enter into or renew a contract for any personal service that is currently or customarily performed by classified employees, if the contract does not displace school district employees and meets other conditions specified in Education Code 45103.1. To enter into or renew such a contract, the Board shall ensure that the district meets the numerous conditions specified in Education Code 45103.1.

(cf. 4200 - Classified Personnel)

In addition, the district may enter into or renew any contract for personal service without meeting the conditions described above, if any of the following conditions exists: (Education Code 45103.1)

1. The contract is for new district functions and the Legislature has specifically mandated or authorized the performance of the work by independent contractors.
2. The services contracted are not available within the district, cannot be performed satisfactorily by district employees, or are of such a highly specialized or technical nature that the necessary expert knowledge, experience, and ability are not available through the district.
3. The services are incidental to a contract for the purchase or lease of real or personal property, including, but not be limited to, agreements to service or maintain office equipment or computers that are leased or rented.
4. The district's policy, administrative, or legal goals and purposes cannot be accomplished

through the utilization of persons selected pursuant to the regular or ordinary district hiring process.

5. The nature of the work is such that the criteria for emergency appointments, as defined in Education Code 45103.1, apply.

6. The contractor will provide equipment, materials, facilities, or support services that could not feasibly be provided by the district in the location where the services are to be performed.

7. The services are of such an urgent, temporary, or occasional nature that the delay that would result from using the district's regular or ordinary hiring process would frustrate their very purpose.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

14505 Provisions required in contracts for audits

17250.10-17250.55 Design-build contracts

17595-17606 Contracts

35182.5 Contract prohibitions

45103.1 Personal services contracts

45103.5 Contracts for management consulting service related to food service

49073.1 Contract requirements for digital storage, maintenance and retrieval of student records

49431-49431.7 Nutritional standards

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

685.010 Rate of interest

GOVERNMENT CODE

12990 Nondiscrimination and compliance employment programs

53260 Contract provision re maximum cash settlement

53262 Ratification of contracts with administrative officers

LABOR CODE

1775 Penalties for violations

1810-1813 Working hours

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

4100-4114 Subletting and subcontracting fair practices

7104 Contracts for excavations; discovery of hazardous waste

7106 Noncollusion affidavit

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20104.50 Construction Progress Payments

22300 Performance retentions

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15500 Food sales by student organizations

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Educational Travel Program Contracts

BP 3312.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board believes that field trips and other travel opportunities for students are a valuable tool in supporting classroom instruction and promoting students' awareness of places and events. In contracting with organizations to provide educational travel services, the Board desires to ensure a quality educational experience and the health, safety and welfare of each student traveler.

The Superintendent or designee shall contract only with educational travel organizations which adhere to state law and exhibit safe and reputable business practices.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for selecting the highest quality vendor, taking into account student safety, quality of the program and fiscal integrity.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

17540 Travel promoters

17550-17550.9 Sellers of travel

17552-17556.5 Educational travel organizations

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAM CONTRACTS

The Governing Board believes that field trips and other travel opportunities are a valuable tool in supporting classroom instruction and enrich students' learning about places, cultures, and events. The district may contract with a qualified person, partnership, corporation, or other entity for educational travel services. Any such contract shall be submitted to the Board for approval and/or ratification.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for selecting the highest quality vendor, taking into account safeguards for student safety, quality of the educational program, and fiscal integrity.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each contract is in writing and includes all of the following: (Business and Professions Code 17554)

1. The travel organization's name, trade or business name, business address, business telephone number, and a 24-hour emergency contact telephone number, pager, voice mail, or other method of 24-hour communication
2. A detailed description of:
 - a. Services to be provided as part of the program
 - b. Agreed cost for the services
 - c. Whether or not the educational travel organization maintains insurance that supplies coverage in the event of injury to any student traveler, including the type and amount of coverage, the policy number and issuer, and the name, address, and telephone number of the person or organization able to verify coverage
 - d. Any additional costs to students
 - e. Any experience and/or training requirements to be met by the educational travel organization's staff who will accompany students on the educational travel program
3. The educational program being contracted for, including a copy of all materials to be provided to students
4. The number of times the educational travel program or a substantially similar educational travel program has been conducted by the organization and the number of students who completed the program

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAM CONTRACTS (continued)

5. The length of time the organization has either been arranging or conducting educational travel programs, and, at the option of the organization, other travel services with substantially similar components
6. The name of each owner, officer, general partner, or sole proprietor of the organization
7. Whether any owner or principal of the organization has had any judgment entered against him/her, made a plea of nolo contendere, or been convicted of any criminal violation in connection with the sale of any travel services for a period of 10 years predating the contract

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

17540 Travel promoters

17550.9 Definition of travel services

17552-17556.5 Educational travel organizations

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Payment For Goods And Services

BP 3314

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of developing a system of internal control procedures in order to help fulfill its obligation to monitor and safeguard district resources. To facilitate warrant processing, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that purchasing, receiving, and payment functions are kept separate. He/she shall also ensure that invoices are paid expeditiously so that the district may, to the extent possible, take advantage of available discounts and avoid finance charges.

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)
(cf. 3312 - Contracts)
(cf. 3314.2 - Revolving Funds)
(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

The Superintendent or designee shall sign all warrants and shall ensure that warrants have appropriate documentary support verifying that all goods and services to be paid for have been delivered or rendered in accordance with the purchase agreement.

The Board shall approve all warrants at a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

The district shall not be responsible for unauthorized purchases.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17605 Delegation of authority for purchases
42630-42651 Orders, requisitions and warrants
42800-42806 Revolving cash fund
42810 Alternative revolving fund
42820 Prepayment funds

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

685.010 Rate of interest

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16.5 Digital signatures
5500-5506 Uniform Facsimile Signatures of Public Officials Act

8111.2 Definition of public entity

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9203 Payment for projects costing over \$5000

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CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Payment For Goods And Services

AR 3314

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Payment for Construction Contracts

Payment on any contract for the creation, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement of any district property or facility or other public works project shall be made in accordance with the estimates, process, and/or schedule approved by the Governing Board.

As necessary, the Superintendent or designee may make progress payments as actual work is completed or materials are delivered. When a payment request is properly submitted by a contractor, any undisputed portion of the payment request shall be paid within 30 days. If the Superintendent or designee determines any payment request to be improper, he/she shall return the payment request to the contractor with a written statement of reasons why the request is not proper. (Public Contract Code 9203, 20104.50)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

The district may withhold up to five percent of the proceeds due to the contractor until completion and acceptance of the project. (Public Contract Code 7201)

The proceeds to be withheld by the district may exceed five percent when the Board has made a finding, prior to the bid and during a properly noticed and regularly scheduled public meeting, that the project is substantially complex and requires a higher retention amount than five percent. In such cases, the Board's finding shall include a description of the specific project and why it is a unique project that is not regularly, customarily, or routinely performed by the district or licensed contractors. The bid documents shall include details explaining the basis for the finding and the actual amount to be withheld. (Public Contract Code 7201)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

(cf. 9324 - Minutes and Recordings)

At any time after 50 percent of the work has been completed, the Board may release the withheld proceeds if it finds that satisfactory progress is being made. (Public Contract Code 9203)

Proceeds withheld by the district from payments to contractors for public works contracts shall be released within 60 days after the construction or improvement is completed. In the event of a dispute between the district and the contractor, the district may withhold from the final payment

an amount not to exceed 150 percent of the disputed amount. (Public Contract Code 7107)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Revolving Funds

BP 3314.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board has a fiduciary responsibility to effectively manage and safeguard the district's assets and resources. All revolving cash funds shall be subject to the internal control procedures established by the district to prevent and detect fraud, financial impropriety, or irregularity and shall be maintained in accordance with law and the California School Accounting Manual.

(cf. 3314 - Payment for Goods and Services)
(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)
(cf. 3451 - Petty Cash Funds)
(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)
(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide regular reports to the Board regarding the use of revolving funds and the results of any audits conducted on the funds.

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Standard Revolving Cash Fund

Pursuant to Education Code 42800, the Board has adopted a resolution establishing a revolving cash fund for use by the chief accounting officer. The fund shall be used only for the purposes specified in the Board's resolution which may include, but are not limited to, payment for services or supplies for which there is an urgent deadline or to reduce the need for issuing numerous small warrants.

The chief accounting officer shall be covered by an individual bond or insurance in the amounts specified in law. He/she shall ensure that payments from the fund are for services or materials that are a legal charge against the district and that a receipt is obtained setting forth the date, payee, purpose of the expenditure, and amount expended. (Education Code 41021, 42801, 42801.5, 42804)

The Board may at any time reduce or discontinue the revolving cash fund. (Education Code 42805)

Pre-Payment Revolving Cash Fund

Pursuant to Education Code 42820, the Board has adopted a resolution establishing a pre-payment revolving cash fund for use by the individual so designated in the Board's resolution.

The fund shall be established in a bank or other institution whose deposits are federally insured and shall be within the maximum limit specified in law. (Education Code 42820)

The designated individual shall be authorized to make payments from the fund for purchases in the amount of \$1,000 or less, including freight or tax. He/she shall submit a monthly list of the payments to the Board for approval. (Education Code 42821)

Any person who issues a check drawn on the fund shall be personally liable for the amount of the check if the expenditure is in violation of the district's rules and regulations with respect to the fund. (Education Code 42821)

Alternative Revolving Cash Fund

Pursuant to Education Code 42810, the Board has adopted a resolution establishing a revolving cash fund for use by school principals and other administrative staff. The fund shall be used for services or materials related to classroom instruction or to correct an error in a classified employee's salary pursuant to Education Code 45167, as specified in the Board's resolution.

The revolving cash fund for supplies shall be subject to the bonding provisions of Education Code 42801.

The principal or administrative staff member in whose name the revolving cash fund is created shall be responsible for all fund expenditures, subject to Board regulation. (Education Code 42810)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 35160 Authority of governing boards
- 35250 Duty to keep certain records
- 38091 Cafeteria revolving accounts
- 41020 Audits of all district funds
- 41021 Requirement for employee's indemnity bond
- 41365-41367 Charter school revolving loan fund
- 42238 Revenue limits
- 42238.01-42238.07 Local control funding formula
- 42630-42652 Orders, requisitions, and warrants
- 42800-42806 Revolving cash fund
- 42810 Revolving cash funds; use; administrators
- 42820-42821 Prepayment revolving cash fund

45167 Error in salary

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Finance and Grants: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg>

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team: <http://www.fcmat.org>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Claims And Actions Against The District

BP 3320

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board desires to ensure that the district's operations are conducted in a manner that minimizes risk, protects district resources, and promotes the health and safety of students, staff, and the public. Any and all claims for money or damages against the district shall be presented to and acted upon in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation as well as the district's Joint Powers Authority (JPA) agreement or insurance coverage.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

Any claim for money or damages not governed by the Government Claims Act (Government Code 810-996.6) or excepted by Government Code 905 shall be presented consistent with the manner and time limitations in the Government Claims Act, unless a procedure for processing such claims is otherwise provided by state or federal law.

Upon notice to the district of a claim, the Superintendent or designee shall take all necessary steps to protect the district's rights under any applicable contractual agreements, including the right to indemnification from its insurance or other coverage provider.

Roster of Public Agencies

The Superintendent or designee shall file the information required for the Roster of Public Agencies with the Secretary of State and the County Clerk. This information shall include the name of the school district, the mailing address of the Board, and the names and addresses of the Board presiding officer, the Board clerk or secretary, and other members of the Board.
(Government Code 53051)

Any changes to such information shall be filed within 10 days after the change has occurred.
(Government Code 53051)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35200 Liability for debts and contracts

35202 Claims against districts; applicability of Government Code

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

340.1 Damages suffered as result of childhood sexual abuse

GOVERNMENT CODE

800 Cost in civil actions

810-996.6 Claims and actions against public entities

6500-6536 Joint exercise of powers

53051 Information filed with secretary of state and county clerk

PENAL CODE

72 Fraudulent claims

COURT DECISIONS

City of Stockton v. Superior Court, (2007) 42 Cal. 4th 730

Connelly v. County of Fresno, (2006) 146 Cal.App.4th 29

CSEA v. South Orange Community College District, (2004) 123 Cal.App.4th 574

CSEA v. Azusa Unified School District, (1984) 152 Cal.App.3d 580

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Secretary of State's Office: <http://www.sos.ca.gov>

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CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT

The Governing Board desires to conduct district operations in a manner that minimizes risk, protects district resources, and promotes the health and safety of students, staff, and the public. Any and all claims for money or damages against the district shall be presented to and acted upon in accordance with the Government Claims Act or other applicable state or district procedures, as well as the district's joint powers authority (JPA) agreement or other insurance coverage.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

Any claim for money or damages not governed by the Government Claims Act (Government Code 810-996.6) or specifically excepted by Government Code 905 shall be presented and acted upon in accordance with district-established procedures consistent with the manner and time limitations specified in the accompanying administrative regulation, unless a procedure for processing such claims is otherwise provided by state or federal law or regulation. (Government Code 935)

Upon notice to the district of a claim, the Superintendent or designee shall take all necessary steps to protect the district's rights under any applicable contractual agreements, including the right to indemnification from its insurance or other coverage provider.

In accordance with Government Code 935.4, the Board delegates to the Superintendent the authority to allow, compromise, or settle claims of \$50,000 or less pursuant to any conditions of coverage in the district's JPA agreement or insurance coverage.

Roster of Public Agencies

Within 10 days of any change in the name of the district, the mailing address of the Board, or the names and addresses of the Board president, the Board clerk or secretary, or other Board members, the Superintendent or designee shall file the updated information with the Secretary of State and the County Clerk. (Government Code 53051)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35200 *Liability for debts and contracts*

35202 *Claims against districts; applicability of Government Code*

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

340.1 *Damages suffered as result of childhood sexual abuse*

GOVERNMENT CODE

800 *Cost in civil actions*

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6500-6536 *Joint exercise of powers*

53051 *Information filed with secretary of state and county clerk*

PENAL CODE

72 *Fraudulent claims*

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Management Resources:

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Claims And Actions Against The District

AR 3320

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Time Limitations

The following time limitations apply to claims against the district:

1. Claims for money or damages relating to a cause of action for death or for injury to person, personal property, or growing crops shall be presented to the Governing Board not later than six months after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 905, 911.2)
2. Claims for money or damages as authorized in Government Code 905 and not included in item #1 above, including claims for damages to real property, shall be presented not later than one year after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 905, 911.2)

Receipt of Claims

A claim, any amendment thereto, or an application to present a late claim shall be deemed presented and received when delivered to the district office or deposited in a post office, subpost office, substation, or mail chute or other like facility maintained by the U.S. Government, in a sealed envelope properly addressed to the district office with postage paid or when otherwise actually received in the district office or by the Board secretary or clerk. (Government Code 915, 915.2)

Upon receipt of a claim against the district pursuant to the Government Claims Act, the Superintendent or designee shall promptly provide written notice to the district's JPA or insurance carrier in accordance with the applicable conditions of coverage.

Review of Contents of the Claim

The Superintendent or designee shall review any claim received to ensure that the claim contains all of the following information as specified in Government Code 910 and 910.2:

1. The name and post office address of the claimant
2. The post office address to which the person presenting the claim desires notices to be sent

3. The date, place, and other circumstances of the occurrence or transaction which gave rise to the claim asserted
4. A general description of the indebtedness, obligation, injury, damage, or loss incurred insofar as it may be known at the time of presentation of the claim
5. The name(s) of the public employee(s) causing the injury, damage, or loss if known
6. The amount claimed if it totals less than \$10,000 as of the date of the presentation of the claim, including the estimated amount of any prospective injury, damage, or loss, insofar as it may be known at the time of the claim, together with the basis of computation of the amount claimed. If the amount claimed exceeds \$10,000, the dollar amount shall not be included in the claim and the claimant shall indicate whether the claim is a "limited civil case."
7. The signature of the claimant or the person acting on his/her behalf

Notice of Claim Insufficiency

If a claim is found insufficient or not to satisfy the form requirements under Government Code 910 and 910.2, the Board or its designee shall, within 20 days of receipt of the claim, personally deliver or mail to the claimant, at the address stated in the claim or application, a notice that states the particular defects or omission in the claim. (Government Code 910.8, 915.4)

The Board shall not act upon the claim until at least 15 days after such notice is given. (Government Code 910.8)

Amendment to Claims

Within the time limits provided under the section entitled "Time Limitations" above or prior to final action by the Board, whichever is later, a claim may be amended if, as amended, it relates to the same transaction or occurrence which gave rise to the original claim. (Government Code 910.6)

Late Claims

For claims under item #1 in the section entitled "Time Limitations" above, any person who presents a claim later than six months after the accrual of the cause of action shall present, along with the claim, an application to present a late claim. Such claim and the application to present a late claim shall be presented not later than one year after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 911.4)

If the claim is presented late and is not accompanied by an application to present a late claim, the Board or its designee may, within 45 days, give written notice that the claim was not presented timely and that it is being returned without further action. (Government Code 911.3)

The Board shall grant or deny the application to present a late claim within 45 days after it is

presented. This 45-day period may be extended by written agreement of the claimant and the Board provided that such agreement is made before the expiration of the 45-day period. (Government Code 911.6)

The Board shall grant the application to present a late claim where one or more of the following conditions are applicable: (Government Code 911.6)

1. The failure to present the claim was through mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect and the district was not prejudiced in its defense regarding the claim by the claimant's failure to present the claim within the time limit.
2. The person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss was a minor during all of the time specified for presentation of the claim.
3. The person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss was physically or mentally incapacitated during all of the time specified for presentation of the claim and the disability was the reason he/she failed to present the claim.
4. The person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss died before the expiration of the time specified for the presentation of the claim.

If the application to present a late claim is denied, the claimant shall be given notice in substantially the same form as set forth in Government Code 911.8. (Government Code 911.8)

If the Board does not take action on the application to present a late claim within 45 days, the application shall be deemed to have been denied on the 45th day unless the time period has been extended, in which case it shall be denied on the last day of the period specified in the extension agreement. (Government Code 911.6)

Action on Claims

Within 45 days after the presentation or amendment of a claim, the Board shall take action on the claim. This time limit may be extended by written agreement between the district and the claimant before the expiration of the 45-day period. If the 45-day period has expired, the time limit may be extended if legal action has not commenced or been barred by legal limitations. (Government Code 912.4)

The Board may act on the claim in one of the following ways: (Government Code 912.4, 912.6)

1. If the Board finds that the claim is not a proper charge against the district, the claim shall be rejected.
2. If the Board finds that the claim is a proper charge against the district and is for an amount justly due, the claim shall be allowed.
3. If the Board finds that the claim is a proper charge against the district but is for an

amount greater than is justly due, the Board shall either reject the claim or allow it in the amount justly due and reject it as to the balance.

4. If legal liability of the district or the amount justly due is disputed, the Board may reject or compromise the claim.

5. If the Board takes no action on the claim, the claim shall be deemed rejected.

If the Board allows the claim in whole or in part or compromises the claim and the claimant accepts the amount allowed or offered to settle the claim, the Board may require the claimant to accept it in settlement of the entire claim. (Government Code 912.6)

The Board or its designee shall transmit to the claimant written notice of action taken or of inaction which is deemed rejection. The notice shall be in the form set forth in Government Code 913 and shall either be personally delivered or mailed to the address stated in the claim or application. (Government Code 913, 915.4)

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CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT

Unless otherwise provided by law, prior to filing a lawsuit against the district for money or damages, a written claim shall be filed in accordance with the following administrative regulation.

Time Limitations

The following time limitations apply to claims against the district:

1. Claims for money or damages relating to childhood sexual abuse or any other cause of action specifically excepted from the Government Claims Act by Government Code 905 and for which a statute or regulation provides a claims presentation procedure shall be filed in accordance with the applicable governing statute or regulation. (Government Code 905, 935)

(cf. 4157.1/4257.1/4357.1 - Work-Related Injuries)

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

2. In accordance with the Governing Board's authority pursuant to Government Code 935, claims for money or damages which relate to any cause of action specifically excepted from the Government Claims Act by Government Code 905 and which are not governed by any other claims presentation statute or regulation shall be filed not later than six months after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 905, 935)
3. Claims for money or damages relating to a cause of action for death or for injury to person, personal property, or growing crops shall be presented to the Board not later than six months after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 911.2)
4. Claims for money or damages relating to any other cause of action shall be filed not later than one year after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 911.2)

Receipt of Claims

A claim, any amendment thereto, or an application to present a late claim shall be deemed presented and received when delivered to the district office or deposited in a post office, mailbox, sub-post office, substation, mail chute, or other similar facility maintained by the U.S. government, in a sealed envelope properly addressed to the district office with postage paid, or when otherwise actually received in the district office or by the Board secretary or clerk. (Government Code 915, 915.2)

Upon receipt of a claim against the district pursuant to the Government Claims Act, the Superintendent or designee shall promptly provide written notice to the district's joint powers authority or insurance carrier in accordance with the applicable conditions of coverage.

CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT (continued)

Review of Contents of the Claim

The Superintendent or designee shall review any claim received to ensure that the claim contains all of the following information as specified in Government Code 910 and 910.2:

1. The name and post office address of the claimant
2. The post office address to which the person presenting the claim desires notices to be sent
3. The date, place, and other circumstances of the occurrence or transaction which gave rise to the claim asserted
4. A general description of the indebtedness, obligation, injury, damage, or loss incurred insofar as it may be known at the time of presentation of the claim
5. The name(s) of the district employee(s) causing the injury, damage, or loss, if known
6. The amount claimed if it totals less than \$10,000, including the estimated amount of any prospective injury, damage, or loss, insofar as it may be known at the time of the claim, together with the basis of computation of the amount claimed. If the amount claimed exceeds \$10,000, the dollar amount shall not be included in the claim and the claimant shall indicate whether the claim is a limited civil case of \$25,000 or less.
7. The signature of the claimant or the person acting on the claimant's behalf

Notice of Claim Insufficiency

If a claim is found insufficient or not to satisfy the form requirements under Government Code 910 and 910.2, the Board or its designee shall, within 20 days of receipt of the claim, personally deliver or mail to the claimant, at the address stated in the claim or application, a notice that states the particular defects or omission in the claim. (Government Code 910.8, 915.4)

The Board shall not act upon the claim until at least 15 days after such notice is given. (Government Code 910.8)

Amendment to Claims

Within the time limits provided in the section "Time Limitations" above or prior to final action by the Board, whichever is later, a claim may be amended if, as amended, it relates to the same transaction or occurrence which gave rise to the original claim. (Government Code 910.6)

CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT (continued)

Late Claims

For claims under items #2 and #3 in the section "Time Limitations" above, any person who presents a claim later than six months after the accrual of the cause of action shall present, along with the claim, an application to present a late claim. Such claim and the application to present a late claim shall be presented not later than one year after the accrual of the cause of action. (Government Code 905, 911.4)

If the claim is presented late and is not accompanied by an application to present a late claim, the Board or its designee may, within 45 days, give written notice that the claim was not presented timely and that it is being returned without further action. (Government Code 911.3)

The Board shall grant or deny the application to present a late claim within 45 days after it is presented. This 45-day period may be extended by written agreement of the claimant and the Board provided that such agreement is made before the expiration of the 45-day period. (Government Code 911.6)

The Board shall grant the application to present a late claim where one or more of the following conditions are applicable: (Government Code 911.6)

1. The failure to present the claim was through mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect and the district was not prejudiced in its defense regarding the claim by the claimant's failure to present the claim within the time limit.
2. The person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss was a minor during all of the time specified for presentation of the claim.
3. The person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss was physically or mentally incapacitated during all of the time specified for presentation of the claim and the disability was the reason the person failed to present the claim.
4. The person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss died before the expiration of the time specified for the presentation of the claim.

If the application to present a late claim is denied, the claimant shall be given notice in substantially the same form as set forth in Government Code 911.8. (Government Code 911.8)

If the Board does not take action on the application to present a late claim within 45 days, the application shall be deemed to have been denied on the 45th day unless the time period has been extended, in which case it shall be denied on the last day of the period specified in the extension agreement. (Government Code 911.6)

CLAIMS AND ACTIONS AGAINST THE DISTRICT (continued)

Action on Claims

Within 45 days after the presentation or amendment of a claim, the Board shall take action on the claim. This time limit may be extended by written agreement between the district and the claimant before the expiration of the 45-day period. If the 45-day period has expired, the time limit may be extended if legal action has not commenced or been barred by legal limitations. (Government Code 912.4)

The Board may act on the claim in one of the following ways: (Government Code 912.4, 912.6)

1. If the Board finds that the claim is not a proper charge against the district, the claim shall be rejected.
2. If the Board finds that the claim is a proper charge against the district and is for an amount justly due, the claim shall be allowed.
3. If the Board finds that the claim is a proper charge against the district but is for an amount greater than is justly due, the Board shall either reject the claim or allow it in the amount justly due and reject it as to the balance.
4. If legal liability of the district or the amount justly due is disputed, the Board may reject or compromise the claim.
5. If the Board takes no action on the claim, the claim shall be deemed rejected.

If the Board allows the claim in whole or in part or compromises the claim and the claimant accepts the amount allowed or offered to settle the claim, the Board may require the claimant to accept it in settlement of the entire claim. (Government Code 912.6)

The Board or its designee shall transmit to the claimant written notice of action taken or of inaction which is deemed rejection. The notice shall be in the form set forth in Government Code 913 and shall either be personally delivered or mailed to the address stated in the claim or application. (Government Code 913, 915.4)

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Travel Expenses

BP 3350

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that district employees may incur expenses in the course of performing their assigned duties and responsibilities. To ensure the prudent use of public funds, the Superintendent or designee shall establish rules to keep such expenses to a minimum while affording employees a reasonable level of safety and convenience.

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits)

The Board shall authorize payment for actual and necessary travel expenses incurred by any employee performing authorized services for the district, whether within or outside district boundaries. (Education Code 44032)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the approval of travel requests and the submission and verification of expense claims. He/she also shall establish reimbursement rates in accordance with law and Board policy.

An employee shall obtain approval from the Superintendent or designee prior to traveling. The Superintendent or designee may approve travel requests in accordance with the adopted budget and upon determining that the travel is authorized or assigned by the employee's supervisor, is necessary to attend a conference or other staff development opportunity that will enhance employee performance, and/or is otherwise necessary to the performance of the employee's duties. Travel expenses not previously budgeted may be approved on a case-by-case basis by the Superintendent or designee if he/she determines that the travel is essential and that resources may be obtained or redirected for this purpose.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

All out-of-state travel for which reimbursement will be claimed shall be approved in advance by the Board.

Reimbursable travel expenses may include, but are not limited to, costs of transportation, parking fees, bridge or road tolls, lodging when district business reasonably requires an overnight stay,

registration fees for seminars and conferences, telephone and other communication expenses incurred on district business, and other necessary incidental expenses.

The district shall not reimburse personal travel expenses including, but not limited to, tips or gratuities, alcohol, entertainment, laundry, expenses of any family member who is accompanying the employee on district-related business, personal use of an automobile, and personal losses or traffic violation fees incurred while on district business.

Except as otherwise provided, reimbursement of travel expenses shall be based on actual expenses as documented by receipts.

Authorized employees shall be reimbursed for the use of their own private vehicles in the performance of assigned duties, on either a mileage or monthly basis as determined by the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 44033)

The mileage allowance provided by the district for employees' use of their private vehicles shall be equal to the rate established by the Internal Revenue Service.

Vehicles should be shared whenever possible to minimize travel costs. No employee shall be entitled to reimbursement for automobile travel when he/she is transported free of charge or by another employee who is entitled to the expense reimbursement.

Meal costs shall be reimbursed based on documented actual expenses within the maximum amounts established and based on the time of day that travel for district business begins and ends. Current maximum is \$64 per day: \$15 for breakfast, \$16 for lunch, \$28 for dinner, and \$5 for incidental expenses.

Any expense that exceeds the maximum rate of reimbursement established by the district shall be reimbursed only with the approval of the Superintendent or designee.

All expense reimbursement claims shall be submitted on a district form, within 10 working days following return from travel when possible. The form shall be accompanied by receipts and any explanation necessary to document that the expenses meet district criteria for reimbursement.

The Superintendent or designee shall approve expense claims only upon verifying that all necessary documentation is provided and that all expenses are appropriate and related to district business. If an expense claim is disallowed due to lack of documentation or inappropriate expenses, the employee may be personally responsible for any improper costs incurred.

When approved by the Superintendent or designee, an employee may be issued a district credit card for use while on authorized district business. Receipts documenting the expenses incurred on a district credit card shall be submitted promptly following return from travel. Under no circumstances shall personal expenses be charged on a district credit card, even if the employee intends to subsequently reimburse the district for the personal charges.

When necessary, the Superintendent or designee may approve a cash advance, not to exceed the

estimated out-of-pocket reimbursable expenses, to an employee authorized to travel on district business. Within 10 working days following return from travel, the employee shall submit a final accounting with all necessary supporting documentation. He/she shall refund to the district any amount of cash advance exceeding the actual approved reimbursable expenses.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 42634 Itemization of expenses
- 44016 Travel expense to employment interview
- 44032 Travel expenses
- 44033 Automobile allowance
- 44802 Student teacher's travel expense

Management Resources:

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE PUBLICATIONS

Per Diem Rates (For Travel Within the Continental United States), Publication 1542

WEB SITES

Internal Revenue Service: <http://www.irs.gov>

U.S. General Services Administration, Per Diem Rates: <http://www.gsa.gov/perdiem>

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Management Of District Assets/Accounts

BP 3400

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its fiduciary responsibility to effectively manage and safeguard the district's assets and resources in order to help achieve the district's goals for student learning. The Superintendent or designee shall establish and maintain an accurate, efficient financial management system that enhances the district's ability to meet its fiscal obligations, produces reliable financial reports, and complies with laws, regulations, policies, and procedures. He/she shall ensure that the district's accounting system provides ongoing internal controls and meets generally accepted accounting standards.

(cf. 3000 - Concepts and Roles)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 3314 - Payment for Goods and Services)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Capital Assets

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a system to accurately identify and value district assets in order to help ensure financial accountability and to minimize the risk of loss or misuse. District assets with a useful life of more than one year and an initial acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more shall be considered capital assets. The Superintendent or designee shall determine the estimated useful life of each capital asset and shall calculate and report the estimated loss of value or depreciation during each accounting period for all capital assets.

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

Internal Controls/Fraud Prevention

The Board expects Board members, employees, consultants, vendors, contractors, and other parties maintaining a business relationship with the district to act with integrity and due diligence in dealings involving the district's assets and fiscal resources.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop internal controls which aid in the prevention and detection of fraud, financial impropriety, or irregularity within the district. These internal controls may include, but are not limited to, segregating employee duties relating to authorization, custody of assets, and recording or reporting of transactions; providing detailed, written job descriptions explaining the segregation of functions; adopting an integrated financial

system; conducting background checks on business office employees; and requiring continuous in-service training for business office staff on the importance of fraud prevention.

All employees shall be alert for any indication of fraud, financial impropriety, or irregularity within their area of responsibility. Any employee who suspects fraud, impropriety, or irregularity shall immediately report those suspicions to his/her immediate supervisor and/or the Superintendent or designee. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall establish a method for employees and outside persons to anonymously report any suspected instances of fraud, impropriety, or irregularity.

(cf. 4119.1/4219.1/4319.1 - Civil and Legal Rights)

The Superintendent or designee shall have primary responsibility for any necessary investigations of suspected fraud, impropriety, or irregularity, in coordination with legal counsel, the district's auditors, law enforcement agencies, or other governmental entities, as appropriate.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide regular reports to the Board on the status of the district's internal control procedures and recommend any necessary revisions to related Board policies or administrative regulations.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

14500-14508 Financial and compliance audits

35035 Powers and duties of superintendent

35250 Duty to keep certain records and reports

41010-41023 Accounting regulations, budget controls and audits

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42647 Drawing of warrants by district on county treasurer; form; reports, statements and other data

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Administrative Regulation

Management Of District Assets/Accounts

AR 3400

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Accounts

The district's accounting system shall fully comply with the definitions, instructions and procedures set forth in the California Department of Education School Accounting Manual. (Education Code 41010)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that funds are encumbered in the district accounting records immediately after an expenditure is committed for subsequent payment.

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

Fraud Prevention and Investigation

Fraud, financial improprieties or irregularities include but are not limited to:

1. Forgery or unauthorized alteration of any document or account belonging to the district
2. Forgery or unauthorized alteration of a check, bank draft or any other financial document
3. Misappropriation of funds, securities, supplies or other assets
4. Impropriety in the handling of money or reporting of financial transactions
5. Profiteering as a result of insider knowledge of district information or activities
6. Disclosing confidential and/or proprietary information to outside parties

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)

7. Disclosing investment activities engaged in or contemplated by the district

(cf. 3430 - Investing)

8. Accepting or seeking anything of material value from contractors, vendors or persons providing services or materials to the district
9. Destroying, removing or inappropriately using of records, furniture, fixtures or

equipment

10. Failing to provide financial records to authorized state or local entities

11. Any other dishonest or fraudulent act

The Superintendent or designee shall investigate reports of fraudulent activity in a manner that protects the confidentiality of the parties and the facts. All employees involved in the investigation shall be advised to keep information about the investigation confidential.

If an investigation substantiates the occurrence of a fraudulent activity, the Superintendent or designee shall issue a report to appropriate personnel and to the Governing Board. The final disposition of the matter and any decision to file a criminal complaint or refer the matter to the appropriate law enforcement and/or regulatory agency for independent investigation shall be made in consultation with legal counsel. The result of the investigation shall not be disclosed to or discussed with anyone other than those individuals with a legitimate need to know.

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)

(cf. 4119.1/4219.1/4319.1 - Civil and Legal Rights)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Investing

BP 3430

Business and Noninstructional Operations

All or part of the special reserve fund of the district, or any surplus monies not required for the immediate necessities of the district, may be invested as allowed by law for public funds. (Education Code 41015; Government Code 16430, 53601-53609, 53635)

The Governing Board authorizes the district's chief fiscal officer to invest and reinvest such funds on behalf of the district. He/she shall make monthly reports of those transactions to the Board. The Board retains the right to revoke this authority at any time.

The Board recognizes that the district's chief fiscal officer has fiduciary responsibility for any funds invested outside the county treasury and is subject to prudent investor standards for investment decisions. As such, he/she shall act with care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the prevailing circumstances, including but not limited to the general economic conditions and the anticipated needs of the district. The investment objectives shall be to first safeguard the principal of the funds, then to meet the district's liquidity needs and, third, to achieve a return on the funds. (Government Code 53600.3, 53600.5)

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

In order to enhance investment return, the district's goal shall be to generate an investment yield that attains or exceeds a market-average rate of return through economic cycles.

The Board recognizes the importance of overseeing investments made with district funds, including investments by the county treasurer. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain ongoing communication with any county committee established for the purpose of overseeing county investments. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall keep the Board informed about county policies that guide the investment of these funds.

The Board may establish an investment oversight committee to monitor the district's investments and make recommendations to the chief fiscal officer and the Board regarding investment policies.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

Annual Statement of Investment Policy

The district's chief fiscal officer shall annually provide to the Board and any district investment oversight committee a statement of the district's investment policy or, if all district surplus funds are invested with the county treasurer, the county's investment policy.

The annual investment report shall be submitted no later than the end of the first quarter of the year to which it applies.

At a public meeting, the Board shall review this policy and discuss any changes to be made.
(Government Code 53646)

Quarterly Investment Reports

The chief fiscal officer of the district shall provide the Board, Superintendent, and internal auditor with quarterly reports of district investments in individual accounts that are \$25,000 or more.

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 41001 Deposit of money in county treasury
- 41002 General fund deposits and exceptions
- 41002.5 Deposit of certain funds in insured institutions
- 41003 Funds received from rental of real property
- 41015 Authorization of and limitation investment of district funds
- 41017 Deposit of miscellaneous receipts
- 41018 Disposition of money received
- 42840-42843 Special reserve fund

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 16430 Eligible securities for investment of surplus money
- 17581.5 Mandates contingent upon state funding
- 27000.3 Fiduciary for deposits in county treasury
- 27130-27137 County treasury oversight committees
- 53600-53609 Investment of surplus
- 53630-53686 Deposit of funds, especially:
 - 53635 Local agency funds; deposit or investment
 - 53646 Treasurer reports and statements of investment policy
 - 53852.5 Investment term for funds designated for repayment of notes
 - 53859.02 Borrowing by local agency

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Administrative Regulation

Investing

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Quarterly Investment Reports

The district's chief fiscal officer shall prepare quarterly investment reports in accordance with Board policy within 30 days following the end of the quarter covered by the report. These reports shall: (Government Code 53646)

1. State the manner in which the portfolio complies and/or does not comply with the district's investment policy
2. Denote the district's ability to meet its pool's expenditure requirements for the next six months, or provide an explanation as to why sufficient money shall not or may not be available
3. Include the type of investment, issuer, date of maturity, par and dollar amount invested on all securities, investments, and monies held by the district
4. Describe any district funds, investments, or programs that are under the management of contracted parties, including lending programs
5. Include the current market value as of the date of the report, and the source of this valuation, for all securities held by the district and under management of any outside party that is not another local agency or the state's local agency investment fund

Whenever district investments have been placed in the state's local agency investment fund, the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund-insured accounts in a credit union, or from FDIC-insured accounts in a bank or savings and loan association, in a county investment pool, or in any combination of these, the report may include the most recent statement(s) received from these institutions in lieu of the information specified in items #3-5 above. (Government Code 53646)

In the above report, a subsidiary ledger of investments may be used in accordance with accepted accounting practices. (Government Code 53646)

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Administrative Regulation

Inventories

AR 3440

Business and Noninstructional Operations

In order to provide for the proper tracking and control of district property, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain an inventory of equipment in accordance with law for the following:

1. All equipment items currently valued in excess of \$500 (Education Code 35168)
2. All equipment items purchased with state and/or federal categorical funds that have a useful life of more than one year with an acquisition cost of \$500 or more per unit

(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

In addition, the Superintendent or designee may maintain a list of specific items which shall be inventoried for internal control purposes regardless of their initial cost or current value.

The inventory shall contain a record of the following information: (Education Code 35168; 5 CCR 3946)

1. Name and description of the property
2. Identification number
3. Original cost of the item of equipment or a reasonable estimate if the original cost is unknown
4. Date of acquisition
5. Location of use
6. The date and method of disposal

(cf. 3270 - Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies)

In addition to the information specified in items #1-6 above, the following information shall be recorded for equipment acquired with state and/or federal categorical funds unless otherwise specified in law: (5 CCR 3946; 2 CFR 200.313)

1. Source of the property (funding source)
2. Titleholder
3. Percentage of federal participation in the cost of the property
4. Use and condition of property
5. Sale price of the property upon disposition and method used to determine current fair market value

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

At the time of purchase, the Superintendent or designee shall affix a label to the equipment containing the identification number and the district name. Equipment items purchased with categorical program funds shall also be labeled with the name of the project in accordance with 5 CCR 3946.

Whenever an equipment item is moved to a new location or the equipment is used for a new purpose, the new location or purpose shall be recorded in the inventory.

A copy of the inventory shall be kept at the district office and at the appropriate school site.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually submit an inventory listing of federally owned property in its custody to the federal agency that granted the award. (2 CFR 200.312)

Physical Inventory

At least once every two years, a physical inventory of equipment shall be conducted and the results reconciled with the property records. (2 CFR 200.313)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for conducting the physical inventory which shall include, but not be limited to, designation of person(s) responsible for coordinating and conducting the inventory, preparation and distribution of count sheets, procedures for implementing the inventory, and procedures for conducting a recount to substantiate the validity of the inventory.

The Superintendent or designee shall investigate any differences between the quantities determined by the physical inspection and those in the accounting records.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35168 Inventory of equipment

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3946 Control, safeguards, disposal of equipment purchased with consolidated application funds

16022-16023 Classification of records

16035 Historical inventory of equipment

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Administrative Regulation

Petty Cash Funds

AR 3451

Business and Noninstructional Operations

In order to facilitate minor purchases, the Superintendent or designee may establish a petty cash fund at each school. The petty cash fund shall be used for unforeseen, small school expenses, such as postage or individual purchases of supplies.

The amount of the petty cash fund shall not exceed \$500. The principal or designee shall be responsible for all expenditures from the fund and shall create a system for tracking fund expenditures. Each expenditure shall be supported by appropriate documentation.

Expenditures shall be reconciled and accounted for whenever the principal requests that the fund be replenished, at the end of the fiscal year, or at the request of the Superintendent or designee.

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

The principal or designee shall ensure that the petty cash fund is kept in a safe and secure location.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of governing boards

35250 Duty to keep certain records

41020 Requirement for annual audit

42800-42810 Revolving funds

Management Resources:

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Student Activity Funds

BP 3452

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that student organizations can provide students with an opportunity to conduct worthwhile cocurricular activities beyond those provided by the district and can also help students learn about effective financial practices. To that end, student organizations may raise and spend funds to support activities that promote the general welfare, morale, and educational experiences of the student body.

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)

(cf. 5000 - Concepts and Roles)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)

Fund-Raising Events

At the beginning of each school year, each principal or designee shall submit to the Superintendent or designee a list of the fund-raising events that each student organization proposes to hold that year. The Superintendent or designee shall review the proposed events and determine whether the events contribute to the educational experience and are not in conflict with or detract from the school's educational program. When reviewing proposed events, the Superintendent or designee shall consider the effects of the activities on student health and safety, evaluate the risk of liability to the district, and ensure that the proposed activities are in compliance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

Management of Funds

Student body funds shall be managed in accordance with law and sound business procedures designed to encourage the largest possible educational return to students without sacrificing the security of funds.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop internal control procedures to safeguard the organization's assets, promote the success of fund-raising ventures, provide reliable financial information, and reduce the risk of fraud and abuse. These procedures shall detail the oversight of activities and funds including, but not limited to, the appropriate role and provision of training for staff and students, parameters for events on campus, appropriate and prohibited uses of funds, and accounting and record-keeping processes, including procedures for handling questionable expenditures.

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

The principal or designee shall be responsible for the proper conduct of all student organization financial activities. The budget adopted by the student body organization should serve as the financial plan for the school year and shall be submitted to the Superintendent or designee at the beginning of each school year. The Superintendent or designee shall periodically review the organization's use of funds to ensure compliance with the district's internal control procedures.

Funds derived from the student body shall be disbursed according to procedures established by the student organization. All disbursements must be approved by a Board-designated official, the certificated employee who is the student organization advisor, and a student organization representative. (Education Code 48933)

The Board shall provide an annual audit of student accounts by a certified public accountant or licensed public accountant. The cost of the audit shall be paid from district funds. (Education Code 41020)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35182.5 Non-nutritious foods and beverages, vending machines

35564 Funds, obligation of the student body

41020 Requirement for annual audit

48930-48938 Student body organization

49431 Sale of food and beverages, elementary school

49431.5 Sale of food and beverages, middle and high schools

51520 School premise, prohibited solicitations

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Financial Reports And Accountability

BP 3460

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board is committed to ensuring public accountability and the fiscal health of the district. The Board shall adopt sound fiscal policies, oversee the district's financial condition, and continually evaluate whether the district's budget and financial operations support the district's goals for student achievement.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3430 - Investing)

(cf. 4143/4243 - Negotiations/Consultation)

(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all financial reports are prepared in accordance with law and in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and financial reporting standards stipulated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and the California Department of Education (CDE). He/she shall establish a system of ongoing internal controls to ensure the reliability of financial reporting.

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

When required by law or the Board, the Superintendent or designee shall submit to the Board reports of the district's financial status, including, but not limited to, any report specified in this Board policy or accompanying administrative regulation. When any such report must be approved by the Board prior to its submission to a local, state, and/or federal agency, the Superintendent or designee shall provide the report to the Board in sufficient time to enable the Board to carefully review the report and meet any applicable submission deadline.

The Board shall regularly communicate the district's financial position to the public and shall use financial reports to determine what actions and budget amendments, if any, are needed to ensure the district's financial stability.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

If district conditions predict fiscal distress or indicate that the district might not be able to meet its fiscal obligations, the Board and Superintendent or designee shall act quickly to identify and resolve these conditions. The Board shall work cooperatively with the County Superintendent of Schools to improve the district's fiscal health and may contract with an external individual or organization to advise the district on fiscal matters.

Unaudited Actual Receipts and Expenditures

On or before September 15, the Board shall approve and file with the County Superintendent a statement of the district's unaudited actual receipts and expenditures for the preceding fiscal year. The Superintendent or designee shall prepare this statement using the state's standardized account code structure (SACS) as prescribed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI). (Education Code 42100)

Gann Appropriations Limit Resolution

On or before September 15, the Board shall adopt a resolution identifying, pursuant to Government Code 7900-7914, the district's estimated appropriations limit for the current fiscal year and the actual appropriations limit for the preceding fiscal year. Documentation used to identify these limits shall be made available to the public on the day of the Board meeting. (Education Code 42132; Government Code 7910)

(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

Interim Reports/Certification of Ability to Meet Fiscal Obligations

The Superintendent or designee shall submit two interim fiscal reports to the Board, the first report covering the district's financial and budgetary status for the period ending October 31 and the second report covering the period ending January 31. The reports and supporting data shall be made available by the district for public review. (Education Code 42130)

Within 45 days after the close of the period reported, the Board shall approve the interim report and certify, on the basis of the interim report and any additional financial information known by the Board, whether the district will be able to meet its fiscal obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year and, based on current forecasts, for the two subsequent fiscal years. The certification shall be classified as one of the following: (Education Code 42130, 42131)

1. "Positive certification" indicating that the district will meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year and two subsequent fiscal years
2. "Qualified certification" indicating that the district may not meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year or two subsequent fiscal years
3. "Negative certification" indicating that the district will be unable to meet its financial

obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year

The Superintendent or designee shall submit a copy of each interim report and certification to the County Superintendent using the state's SACS software, as prescribed by the SPI. (Education Code 42130, 42131)

If the district's certification is subsequently changed by the County Superintendent from a positive to a qualified or negative certification, or from a qualified to a negative certification, the Board may appeal the decision to the SPI within five days of receiving the notice of change. (Education Code 42131)

Whenever the district receives a qualified or negative certification from the Board or the County Superintendent, the Superintendent or designee shall cooperate in the implementation of any remedial actions taken or prescribed by the County Superintendent under the authority granted to him/her pursuant to Education Code 42131.

If the second interim report is accompanied by a qualified or negative certification, the Board shall, no later than June 1, provide to the County Superintendent, the State Controller, and the SPI a financial statement as of April 30 ("third interim report") that projects the district's fund and cash balances through June 30. (Education Code 42131)

At any time during the year when the County Superintendent conducts a comprehensive review of the district's financial and budgetary conditions after he/she has determined that the district's budget does not comply with state criteria and standards for fiscal stability, the Board shall review the County Superintendent's recommendations at a public Board meeting. Within 15 days of receiving the report, the district shall notify the County Superintendent and the SPI of its proposed actions on the recommendation. (Education Code 42637)

Audit Report

Pursuant to Education Code 41020, if the district has a disapproved budget, has received a negative certification on any budget or interim fiscal report during the current fiscal year or either of the two preceding fiscal years, or has otherwise been determined by the County Superintendent to have a lack of going concern, any contract the district enters into for auditing services must be approved by the County Superintendent.

By April 1 of each year, the Board shall provide for an annual audit of the district's books and accounts. (Education Code 41020)

To conduct the audit, the Board shall select a certified public accountant or public accountant licensed by the State Board of Accountancy from among those deemed qualified by the State Controller. (Education Code 41020, 41020.5)

The Board shall not select any public accounting firm to provide audit services if the lead or coordinating audit partner having primary responsibility for the audit, or the audit partner responsible for reviewing the audit, has performed audit services for the district in each of the six previous fiscal years. (Education Code 41020)

No later than December 15, the report of the audit for the preceding fiscal year shall be filed with the County Superintendent, the CDE, and the State Controller. (Education Code 41020)

Prior to December 15 whenever possible, but in no case later than January 31, the Board shall review, at an open meeting, the annual district audit for the prior year, any audit exceptions identified in that audit, the recommendations or findings of any management letter issued by the auditor, and any description of correction or plans to correct any exceptions or any issue raised in a management letter. (Education Code 41020.3)

The Board shall have an opportunity at the meeting to ask questions of the auditor and request further information about the audit findings.

Audit Committee

The Board may appoint an audit committee composed of staff knowledgeable about fiscal matters, other staff, and representatives of the community.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 9130 - Board Committees)

(cf. 9140 - Board Representatives)

The committee shall serve in an advisory capacity and may:

1. Make recommendations regarding the selection of the external independent auditor in accordance with Education Code 41020 and 41020.5
2. Review the plan for the audit process with the independent auditor to determine the adequacy of the nature, scope, and timetable of the audit
3. Review the results of the audit and participate with the independent auditor and management in preparing final recommendations and responses
4. Participate with the independent auditor in presenting the audit report to the Board
5. Review Board policies and administrative regulations to recommend any revisions needed to ensure effective financial reporting
6. Provide input on the effectiveness of the independent auditor
7. Periodically report to the Board regarding the status of previous audit recommendations

for improving the accounting and internal control systems

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33129 Standards and criteria; use by local agencies
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42130-42134 Financial reports and certifications
42140-42142 Public disclosure of fiscal obligations
42637 County superintendent review of district's financial and budgetary conditions
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16429.1 Local agency investment fund
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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Financial Reports And Accountability

AR 3460

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Interim Reports

Each interim fiscal report developed pursuant to Education Code 42130 shall include an assessment of the district budget as revised to reflect current information regarding the adopted state budget, district property tax revenues, if any, and ending balances for the preceding fiscal year. (Education Code 42130, 42131)

The interim reports shall be based on State Board of Education (SBE) criteria and standards which address fund and cash balances, reserves, deficit spending, estimation of average daily attendance (ADA), projected enrollment, ratio of ADA to enrollment, projected local control funding formula (LCFF) revenue, salaries and benefits, other revenues and expenditures, and facilities maintenance. For purposes of assessing projections of LCFF revenue, the first interim report shall be compared to the adopted district budget, and the second interim report shall be compared to the projections in the first interim report. (Education Code 42130; 5 CCR 15453-15464)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3220.1 - Lottery Funds)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3314 - Payment for Goods and Services)

The report shall also provide supplemental information regarding contingent liabilities, use of one-time revenues for ongoing expenditures, contingent revenues, contributions (i.e., projected contributions from unrestricted general fund resources to restricted general fund resources, projected transfers to or from the general fund to cover operating deficits in the general fund or any other fund, and capital project cost overruns that may impact the general fund budget), long-term commitments, unfunded liabilities, temporary interfund borrowings, the status of labor agreements, and the status of other funds. (Education Code 42130; 5 CCR 15453, 15464)

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

Audit Report

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a timetable for the completion and review of the annual audit within the deadlines established by law.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the necessary financial records and cooperate with the auditor selected by the Governing Board to ensure that the audit report contains all information required by law and the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

The audit shall include an audit of income and expenditures by source of funds for all funds of the district, including the student body and cafeteria funds and accounts, state and federal grant funds, and any other funds under the control or jurisdiction of the district, as well as an audit of student attendance procedures. The audit shall also include a determination of whether LCFF funds were expended in accordance with the district's local control and accountability plan or an approved annual update of the plan. (Education Code 41020)

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3430 - Investing)

(cf. 3451 - Petty Cash Funds)

(cf. 3452 - Student Activity Funds)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

If the district participates in the school district of choice program to accept interdistrict transfers, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the auditor, prior to the commencement of the audit, that the audit must include a review of the district's compliance with specified program requirements. (Education Code 48301)

(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)

If an audit finding results in the district being required to repay an apportionment or pay a penalty, the district may appeal the finding to the Education Audit Appeals Panel by making an informal summary appeal within 30 days of receiving the final audit report or initiating a formal appeal within 60 days of receiving the report. (Education Code 41344, 41344.1)

While a public accounting firm is performing the audit of the district, it shall not provide any nonauditing, management, or other consulting services for the district except as provided in Government Auditing Standards, Amendment #3, published by the U.S. Government Accountability Office. (Education Code 41020)

Fund Balance

In accordance with GASB Statement 54, external financial reports shall report fund balances in the general fund within the following classifications based on the relative strength of constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

1. Nonspendable fund balance, including amounts that are not expected to be converted to cash, such as resources that are not in a spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact

2. Restricted fund balance, including amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers or by law
3. Committed fund balance, including amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Board
4. Assigned fund balance, including amounts which the Board or its designee intends to use for a specific purpose
5. Unassigned fund balance, including amounts that are available for any purpose

Negative Balance Report

Whenever the district reports a negative unrestricted fund balance or a negative cash balance in its annual budget or annual audit report, it shall include in the budget a statement that identifies the reasons for the negative unrestricted fund balance or negative cash balance and the steps that have been taken to ensure that the negative balance will not occur at the end of the current fiscal year. (Education Code 42127.5)

Non-Voter-Approved Debt Report

Upon approval by the Board to proceed with the issuance of revenue bonds or any agreement for financing school construction pursuant to Education Code 17170-17199.5, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the County Superintendent of Schools and the county auditor. The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board, the county auditor, the County Superintendent, and the public with related repayment schedules and evidence of the district's ability to repay the obligation. (Education Code 17150)

(cf. 7214 - General Obligation Bonds)

When the Board is considering the issuance of certificates of participation and other debt instruments that are secured by real property and do not require the approval of the voters of the district, the Superintendent or designee shall provide notice to the County Superintendent and county auditor no later than 30 days before the Board's approval to proceed with issuance. The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board, the county auditor, the County Superintendent, and the public with information necessary to assess the anticipated effect of the debt issuance, including related repayment schedules, evidence of the district's ability to repay the obligation, and the issuance costs. (Education Code 17150.1)

Other Postemployment Benefits Report

In accordance with GASB Statement 75, the district's financial statements shall report the expense of nonpension other postemployment benefits (OPEBs) on an accrual basis over retirees' active working lifetime, as determined by a qualified actuary procured by the Superintendent or designee. To the extent that these OPEBs are not prefunded, the district shall report a liability on its financial statements.

(cf. 4154/4254/4354 - Health and Welfare Benefits)
(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually present the estimated accrued but unfunded cost of OPEBs and the actuarial report upon which those costs are based at a public meeting of the Board. (Education Code 42140)

The district's financial obligation for OPEBs shall be reevaluated every two years in accordance with GASB 75.

Workers' Compensation Claims Report

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide the Board, at a public meeting, information and related actuarial reports showing the estimated accrued but unfunded cost of workers' compensation claims. The estimate of costs shall be based on an actuarial report completed at least every three years by a qualified actuary. (Education Code 42141)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Green School Operations

BP 3510

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board believes that all citizens have a responsibility to be stewards of the environment and desires to integrate environmental accountability into all district operations. The Superintendent or designee shall promote green school practices that conserve natural resources, reduce the impact of district operations on the environment, and protect the health of students, staff, and community.

The Superintendent or designee may involve district and site administrators and operations and maintenance staff; representatives of local governmental agencies, utilities, solid waste and recycling companies, and community organizations; health professionals; and/or others as appropriate in the assessment of current district operations and the development of strategies to improve the environmental impact of district operations.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)

In selecting and prioritizing strategies, the Superintendent or designee shall give consideration to the initial cost, long-term potential cost savings, quality and performance of the product or service, health impacts, and environmental considerations.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Such strategies may include, but not be limited to:

1. Reducing energy and water consumption and exploring renewable and clean energy technologies

(cf. 3511 - Energy and Water Management)

2. Establishing recycling programs in district facilities

(cf. 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management)

3. Reducing the consumption of disposable materials, by reusing materials and by using

electronic rather than paper communications when feasible

4. Purchasing and using environmentally preferable products and services whenever practical, including, but not limited to, products that:

- a. Minimize environmental impacts, toxins, pollutants, odors, and hazards
- b. Contain postconsumer recycled content
- c. Are durable and long-lasting
- d. Conserve energy and water
- e. Produce a low amount of waste

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)
(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)
(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)

5. Using least toxic, independently certified green cleaning products when feasible, as well as high-efficiency cleaning equipment that reduces the need to use chemicals

6. Providing professional development to maintenance staff in the proper use, storage, and disposal of cleaning supplies

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

7. Focusing on green building standards, sustainability, and student health in facilities construction and modernization projects, including decisions about site selection, building design, and landscaping and grounds

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)
(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)

8. Reducing vehicle traffic by encouraging students to walk or bicycle to school or use district or public transportation

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)
(cf. 5142.2 - Safe Routes to School Program)

7. Providing fresh, unprocessed, organic food in the district's food services program

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

8. Providing instruction to students on the importance of the environment and involving students in the implementation and evaluation of green school activities and projects as appropriate

(cf. 6142.5 - Environmental Education)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8700-8707 Environmental education

17070.96 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1996, consideration of high performance standards

17072.35 New construction grants; use for designs and materials for high performance schools

32370-32376 Recycling paper

33541 Environmental education

101012 Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006, allocations

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

12400-12404 Environmentally preferable purchasing

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

25410-25421 Energy conservation assistance

40050-40063 Integrated waste management act

42630-42647 Schoolsite source reduction and recycling

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

1859.70.4 Funding for high performance incentive grants

1859.71.6 Additional grant for high performance incentive, new construction

1859.77.4 Additional grants for high performance incentive, site and modernization

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14010 Standards for school site selection

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Green Schools: An Overview of Key Policy Issues, Policy Brief, August 2009

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES PUBLICATIONS

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Best Practices Manual

COLLABORATIVE FOR HIGH PERFORMING SCHOOLS PUBLICATIONS

CHPS Best Practices Manual, 2006

GLOBAL GREEN USA PUBLICATIONS

Healthier, Wealthier, Wiser: A Report on National Green Schools

GREEN SCHOOLS INITIATIVE PUBLICATIONS

Green Schools Buying Guide

HEALTHY SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN PUBLICATIONS

The Quick and Easy Guide to Green Cleaning in Schools, 2nd ed., 2008

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of General Services, Green California: <http://www.green.ca.gov>

California Energy Commission: <http://www.energy.ca.gov>

Collaborative for High Performance Schools: <http://www.chps.net>

Global Green USA: <http://www.globalgreen.org>

Green Schools Initiative: <http://www.greenschools.net>

Healthy Schools Campaign: <http://www.healthyschoolscampaign.org/programs/gcs>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

U.S. Green Building Council, LEED Green Building Rating System: <http://www.usgbc.org>

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Energy And Water Management

BP 3511

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of minimizing the district's use of natural resources, providing a high-quality environment that promotes health and productivity, and effectively managing the district's fiscal resources. To that end, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a resource management program which includes strategies for implementing effective and sustainable resource practices, exploring renewable and clean energy technologies, reducing energy and water consumption, minimizing utility costs, reducing the amount of waste of consumable materials, encouraging recycling and green procurement practices, and promoting conservation principles.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3511.1 - Integrated Waste Management)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

(cf. 6142.5 - Environmental Education)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly inspect district facilities and operations and make recommendations for maintenance and capital expenditures which may help the district reach its conservation and management goals.

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to identify funding opportunities and cost-reducing incentive programs to help the district achieve its conservation and management goals.

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically report to the Board on the district's progress in meeting its conservation and management goals.

Storm Water Management

The Board desires to ensure that, to the maximum extent practicable, the district reduce the discharge of pollutants into the water system in order to minimize the threat to water quality from storm water runoff. When the district has been designated by the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional water quality control board, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district complies with applicable General Permit requirements.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a storm water management plan and shall submit the plan and a resolution authorizing the implementation of the plan to the Board for approval. The district's plan shall describe best management practices, measurable goals, and timetables for implementation in the following areas:

1. Public education and outreach on storm water impacts
2. Public participation, such as participation in adoption and implementation of the plan
3. Illicit discharge detection and elimination, such as maps and programs to detect and eliminate illicit non-storm water discharges
4. Construction site storm water runoff control, such as reviewing construction plans, inspecting sites, and tracking construction site runoff, as well as erosion and sediment controls
5. Post-construction storm water management, such as developing design standards for preventing runoff and verifying proper maintenance and operation of control procedures
6. Pollution prevention and good housekeeping, such as evaluating waste disposal, material storage, and equipment-cleaning procedures and spill prevention, including at bus maintenance facilities

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the status of the district's implementation efforts.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

41422 School term or session length, failure to comply due to disaster

46392 Emergency conditions; ADA estimate

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

25410-25421 Energy conservation assistance

WATER CODE

13383.5 Storm water discharge monitoring requirements

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 23

2200 Discharge permit fees

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 33

1342 National pollutant discharge elimination system

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 40

122.1-122.64 National pollutant discharge elimination system

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES

0118.01 California's Energy Challenge

0706.90 Water Conservation Advisory, 90-09

0222.90 Average Daily Attendance Credit During Periods of Emergency 90-01

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

Alliance to Save Energy: <http://www.ase.org>

California Department of Education, Facilities: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa>

California Energy Commission: <http://www.energy.ca.gov>

California State Water Resources Control Board: <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov>

Department of General Resources, Green California, Sustainable Schools:

<http://www.green.ca.gov/GreenBuildings/schools>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Energy And Water Management

AR 3511

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Resource Management Program

In the development of the district's resource management program, the Superintendent or designee shall analyze and review the lighting; heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems; water heaters; electrical equipment and appliances; water use and irrigation; and solid waste and recycling systems. The following district operations shall be incorporated into the district's resource management program:

1. Educational programs
2. Classroom and building management and maintenance
3. Food services and equipment maintenance

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

4. Landscaping
5. Transportation services and maintenance

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

6. New construction

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

7. Administrative operations
8. Use of facilities by outside groups

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

The Superintendent or designee may solicit input from staff, students, and parents/guardians

about the district's program. The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff and students with training and guidance on best practices to achieve the district's goals, such as a reward program to recognize outstanding accomplishments.

Emergency Interruption of Services

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a plan to address actions to be taken in the event of power outages or other emergency interruption of utility services, both during and after school operations. The plan shall address procedures to help ensure student and staff safety, administrative control of operations, protection of equipment, effective communications, and coordination with local fire, police, and utility service providers.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Integrated Waste Management

BP 3511.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board believes that the conservation of natural resources and the protection of the environment are connected to the district's educational mission and are essential to the health and well-being of the community. The Superintendent or designee shall develop and/or implement a cost-effective, integrated waste management program that incorporates the principles of green school operations.

(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)
(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)
(cf. 3511 - Energy and Water Management)
(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

The district's program shall include strategies designed to help the district reduce solid and hazardous waste generation, improve efficiency in its use of natural resources, and minimize the impact of such use on the environment. The program shall address all areas of the district's operations, including, but not limited to, procurement, resource utilization, and facilities management practices.

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)
(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

The Superintendent or designee may collaborate with city, county, and state agencies and other public or private agencies in developing and implementing the district's integrated waste management program.

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)

The Superintendent or designee shall make every effort to identify funding opportunities for the district's integrated waste management program including applying for available grants or other cost-reduction incentives.

To the extent that funding permits, the Superintendent or designee shall provide appropriate educational and training opportunities to students and staff regarding the benefits and methods of conserving natural resources and protecting the environment.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
(cf. 6142.5 - Environmental Education)
(cf. 6142.93 - Science Instruction)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly monitor all aspects of the district's integrated waste management program and shall provide an update to the Board on its effectiveness as necessary.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8700-8707 Environmental education

17070.96 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1996, consideration of high performance standards

17072.35 New construction grants; use for designs and materials for high performance schools

32370-32376 Recycling paper

33541 Environmental education

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

25410-25421 Energy conservation assistance

40050-40063 Waste management; integrated waste management

41780 Waste diversion

42620-42622 Source reduction and recycling programs

42630-42647 School site source reduction and recycling

42649-42649.7 Recycling of commercial solid waste

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 14

17225.12 Commercial solid waste

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery:
<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/ReduceWaste/Schools>

California Division of State Architect: <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/dsa>

California Energy Commission: <http://www.energy.ca.gov>

California Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Integrated Waste Management

AR 3511.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

For all applicable areas of district operations, the Superintendent or designee shall design an integrated waste management program that minimizes the generation of waste, encourages the recovery and diversion of reusable materials from the waste stream, improves efficiency in the utilization of natural and material resources, and protects the environment. The program shall implement measures and/or practices to:

1. Reduce the consumption of disposable materials, increase the composting of organic materials, and fully utilize all materials prior to disposal

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

2. Recycle materials such as paper, glass, plastic, and aluminum

Any school site or district facility which generates more than four cubic yards of commercial solid waste per week shall take at least one of the following actions: (Public Resources Code 42649.2; 14 CCR 17225.12)

- a. Source separate recyclable materials from solid waste and subscribe to a basic level of recycling service that may include collection, self-hauling, or other arrangement for the pickup of the recyclable materials
- b. Subscribe to a recycling service that may include mixed waste processing that yields diversion results comparable to source separation

3. Prefer recycled and other environmentally preferable products when procuring materials for use in district schools and buildings or contracting for the construction or modernization of any district building

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

4. Work with city, county, or other government agencies to locate markets for the district's reusable and recyclable materials

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 7131 - Relations with Local Agencies)

5. Minimize the use of nonbiodegradable materials and work with vendors and contractors to use packaging and delivery materials that generate less waste

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Equipment

AR 3512

Business and Noninstructional Operations

District equipment shall be used primarily for educational purposes and/or to conduct district business. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all employees, students, and other users understand the appropriate use of district equipment and that any misuse may be cause for disciplinary action or loss of user privilege.

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)
(cf. 3540 - Transportation)
(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)
(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 6000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

School-connected organizations may be granted reasonable use of the equipment for school-related matters as long as it does not interfere with the use by students or employees or otherwise disrupt district operations.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

The Superintendent or designee shall approve the transfer of any district equipment from one work site to another and the removal of any district equipment for off-site use. When any equipment is taken off site, the borrower is responsible for its safe return and shall be fully liable for any loss or damage.

Employees transferred to another work site shall take with them only those personal items that have been purchased with their own funds unless otherwise authorized by the Superintendent or designee or applicable Board policy.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain an inventory of all equipment currently valued in

excess of \$500. (Education Code 35168; 5 CCR 3946)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

When equipment is unusable or is no longer needed, it may be sold, donated, or disposed of in accordance with Education Code 17540-17555 or 2 CFR 200.313, as applicable.

(cf. 3270 - Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies)

Equipment Acquired with Federal Funds

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain prior written approval from the California Department of Education or other awarding agency before purchasing equipment with federal funds. (2 CFR 200.48, 200.313, 200.439)

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

All equipment purchased for federal programs funded through the consolidated application pursuant to Education Code 64000-64001 shall be labeled with the name of the project, identification number, and name of the district. (2 CFR 200.313; 5 CCR 3946)

For any equipment acquired in whole or in part with federal funds, the Superintendent or designee shall develop adequate maintenance procedures to keep the property in good condition. He/she shall also develop adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the property and shall investigate any loss, damage, or theft. (2 CFR 200.313)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)

Equipment purchased for use in a federal program shall be used in that program as long as needed, whether or not the program continues to be supported by federal funds. The equipment may be used in other activities currently or previously supported by a federal agency when such use does not interfere with the work on the project or program for which it was originally acquired or when use of the equipment is no longer needed for the original program. (2 CFR 200.313)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17540-17542 Sale or lease of personal property by one district to another

17545-17555 Sale of personal property

17605 Delegation of authority to purchase supplies and equipment

35160 Authority of governing boards

35168 Inventory of equipment

64000-64001 Consolidated application process
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
3946 Control, safeguards, disposal of equipment purchased with state and federal consolidated
application funds
4424 Comparability of services
16023 Class 1 - Permanent records
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6321 Fiscal requirements
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 2
200.0-200.521 Federal uniform grant guidance

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS
California School Accounting Manual

WEB SITES

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

Office of Management and Budget: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb>

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**Exhibit
Equipment**

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Business and Noninstructional Operations

EQUIPMENT LOAN FORM

I assume the responsibility for the following district equipment:

Description ID Number

School-related purpose: (Note: items are not for personal use)

I will return the above equipment to _____(administrator or designee)no later than _____.

In borrowing the items listed above, I assume responsibility for any loss of or damage to the equipment or materials. If any items are damaged or lost, I will pay the cost of repairs or replacement.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Approved: _____

Date: _____

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Cellular Phone Reimbursement

AR 3513.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

When a district employee's position requires frequent use of a cell phone, the Superintendent or designee shall provide either a cell phone for the employee's use or an allowance to the employee for the business use of his/her personally owned cell phone, whichever is the most cost-effective. In determining whether an employee's position requires frequent use of a cell phone, the factors to be considered shall include, but not be limited to, whether the job responsibilities require:

1. An ability to communicate frequently but access to a district landline is not readily available
2. An ability to communicate immediately to ensure the safety of district staff and students or the security of district property
3. A level of accessibility which is impossible because of the employee's frequent job-related absence from the worksite

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)

When an employee is paid an allowance for the use of his/her personally owned cell phone for district business, the Superintendent or designee shall, from time to time, verify that the employee's cell phone contract is active.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a system for reviewing employees' use of district-owned cell phones and the reimbursement of costs for employees' business-related use of their personal cell phones. Employees shall be responsible for fees and charges associated with any misuse or overuse not attributable to district business.

If the Superintendent or designee determines that an employee no longer needs a cell phone or other mobile communications device to perform his/her job responsibilities, any fees or charges associated with cancellation of the service contract shall be the responsibility of the district.

Any employee who is not provided an allowance or a district-owned cell phone may be reimbursed for the actual expenses of business-related calls made on his/her personally owned cell phone, in accordance with the district's expense reimbursement procedures.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35213 Reimbursement for loss or damage of personal property

44032 Travel expense payment

48901.5 Electronic signaling devices

VEHICLE CODE

23123 Wireless telephones in vehicles

23125 Wireless telephones in school buses

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 26

280F Limitation on depreciation for luxury automobiles, etc.

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 26

1.132-5 Working conditions fringe benefit

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

Internal Revenue Service: <http://www.irs.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Smoke-Free Schools

BP 3513.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that smoking and other uses of tobacco, nicotine and marijuana products constitute a serious public health hazard and are inconsistent with district goals to provide a healthy environment for students and staff.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)
(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)
(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)
(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

The Board prohibits smoking and/or the use of tobacco or marijuana products at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property, and in district vehicles. (Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559)

These prohibitions apply to all employees, students, and visitors at any school-sponsored instructional program, activity, or athletic event held on or off district property. Any written joint use agreement governing community use of district facilities or grounds shall include notice of the district's smoke-free schools policy and consequences for violations of the policy.

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

Smoking means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying of any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, pipe, tobacco, marijuana or plant product intended for inhalation, whether natural or synthetic, in any manner or form, and includes the use of an electronic smoking device that creates aerosol or vapor or of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking. (Business and Professions Code 22950.5; Education Code 48901)

Tobacco products include: (Business and Professions Code 22950.5; Education Code 48901)

1. Any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco, nicotine or marijuana that is

intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, or snuff

2. An electronic device that delivers nicotine, marijuana or other vaporized liquids to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, or hookah
3. Any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco or marijuana product, whether or not sold separately

This policy does not prohibit the use or possession of prescription products and other cessation aids that have been approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, such as nicotine patch or gum.

Smoking or use of any tobacco or marijuana-related product or disposal of any tobacco or marijuana-related waste is prohibited within 25 feet of any playground, except on a public sidewalk located within 25 feet of the playground. In addition, any form of intimidation, threat, or retaliation against a person for attempting to enforce this policy is prohibited. (Health and Safety Code 104495)

Legal Reference:

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48900 Grounds for suspension/expulsion

48901 Prohibition against tobacco use by students

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22950.5 Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement Act; definitions

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104350-104495 Tobacco use prevention, especially:

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LABOR CODE

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6304 Safe and healthful workplace

6404.5 Occupational safety and health; use of tobacco products

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6083 Nonsmoking policy for children's services

7111-7122 Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

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<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/at/tobaccofreecert.asp>

California Department of Public Health, Tobacco Control:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tobacco>

Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/oshsb.html>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Smoke -Free Schools

AR 3513.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Notifications

Information about the district's smoke-free schools policy and enforcement procedures shall be communicated clearly to employees, parents/guardians, students, and the community. (Health and Safety Code 104420)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The Superintendent or designee may disseminate this information through annual written notifications, district and school web sites, student and parent handbooks, and/or other appropriate methods of communication.

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs stating "Smoking is prohibited" are prominently displayed at all entrances to school property. (Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559)

Enforcement/Discipline

Any employee or student who violates the district's smoke-free schools policy shall be asked to refrain from smoking and shall be subject to disciplinary action as appropriate.

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

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

Any other person who violates the district's policy on smoke-free schools shall be informed of the district's policy and asked to refrain from smoking. If the person fails to comply with this request, the Superintendent or designee may:

1. Direct the person to leave school property
2. Request local law enforcement assistance in removing the person from school premises

3. If the person repeatedly violates the smoke-free schools policy, prohibit him/her from entering district property for a specified period of time

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

The Superintendent or designee shall not be required to physically eject a nonemployee who is smoking or to request that the nonemployee refrain from smoking under circumstances involving a risk of physical harm to the district or any employee. (Labor Code 6404.5)

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Board Policy

Environmental Safety

BP 3514

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes its obligation to provide a safe and healthy environment at school facilities for students, staff, and community members. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly assess school facilities to identify environmental health risks. He/she shall establish a comprehensive plan to prevent and/or mitigate environmental hazards based on a consideration of the proven effectiveness of various options, anticipated short-term and long-term costs and/or savings to the district, and the potential impact on staff attendance, student attendance, and student achievement.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)
(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)
(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

Strategies addressed in the district's plan shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

1. Ensuring good indoor air quality by maintaining adequate ventilation; using effective maintenance operations to reduce dust, mold, mildew, and other indoor air contaminants; and considering air quality in the site selection, design, and furnishing of new or remodeled facilities

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)
(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)
(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)
(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)

2. Limiting outdoor activities when necessary due to poor outdoor air quality, including excessive smog, smoke, or ozone, or when ultraviolet radiation levels indicate a high risk of harm

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)
(cf. 5141.7 - Sun Safety)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)

3. Reducing exposure to diesel exhaust and other air contaminants by limiting unnecessary idling of school buses and other commercial motor vehicles

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)
(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)
(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

4. Minimizing exposure to lead in paint, soil, and drinking water

5. Inspecting facilities for naturally occurring asbestos and asbestos-containing building materials that pose a health hazard due to damage or deterioration and safely removing, encapsulating, enclosing, or repairing such materials

6. Ensuring the proper storage, use, and disposal of potentially hazardous substances

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)

7. Ensuring the use of effective least toxic pest management practices

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

8. Instituting a food safety program for the storage, preparation, delivery, and service of school meals in order to reduce the risk of foodborne illnesses

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

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

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

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

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board, staff, parents/guardians, students, and/or governmental agencies, as appropriate, if an environmental hazard is discovered at a school site. The notification shall provide information about the district's actions to remedy the hazard and may recommend health screening of staff and students.

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17002 Definition of "good repair"

17070.75 Facilities inspection

17582 Deferred maintenance fund

17590 Asbestos abatement fund

17608-17613 Healthy Schools Act of 2000, least toxic pest management practices

32080-32081 Carbon monoxide devices

32240-32245 Lead-Safe Schools Protection Act

48980.3 Notification of pesticides

49410-49410.7 Asbestos materials containment or removal

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

11401-12408 Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals

13180-13188 Healthy Schools Act of 2000, least toxic pest management practices

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3543.2 Scope of representation; right to negotiate safety conditions

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105400-105430 Indoor environmental quality

113700-114437 California Retail Food Code, sanitation and safety requirements

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340-340.2 Occupational safety and health, rights of employees

1528-1533 Construction safety orders; exposure to hazards

5139-5223 Control of hazardous substances

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 13

2025 Retrofitting of diesel school buses

2480 Vehicle idling

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35001-36100 Lead abatement services

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

64670-64679 Lead and copper in drinking water

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 7

136-136y Use of pesticides

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 15

2601-2629 Control of toxic substances

2641-2656 Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
1758 Food safety and inspections
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AirNow: <http://www.airnow.gov>

American Association of School Administrators: <http://www.aasa.org>

California Air Resources Board: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>

California Department of Education, Health and Safety: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/fa/hs>

California Department of Pesticide Regulation: <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov>

California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

California Indoor Air Quality Program: <http://www.cal-iaq.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

Consumer Product Safety Commission: <http://www.cpsc.gov>

National Center for Environmental Health: <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh>

Occupational Safety and Health Administration: <http://www.osha.gov>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Environmental Safety

AR 3514

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Superintendent may designate and train one or more employees to oversee and coordinate the district's environmental safety program(s). The responsibilities of the coordinator(s) shall include, but are not limited to, overseeing assessments of district facilities, recommending strategies for the prevention and mitigation of environmental health risks, ensuring effective implementation of environmental safety strategies, and reporting to the Superintendent regarding the district's progress in addressing environmental safety concerns.

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)
(cf. 3511 - Energy and Water Management)
(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)
(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)
(cf. 7150 - Site Selection and Development)

Indoor Air Quality

In order to provide proper ventilation, humidity, and temperature in school facilities and to reduce indoor air contaminants, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the following strategies are implemented:

1. Mechanically driven heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems shall be operated continuously during working hours except under the circumstances specified in 8 CCR 5142. The systems shall be inspected at least annually and problems corrected within a reasonable time. Where the air supply is filtered, the filters shall be replaced or cleaned regularly to prevent significant reductions in airflow. Documentation of inspections, tests of ventilation rates, and maintenance shall be retained for at least five years. (8 CCR 5142-5143)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Staff shall ensure that airflow is not obstructed by the blocking of ventilators with posters, furniture, books, or other obstacles.

2. School facilities shall be regularly inspected for water damage, spills, leaks in plumbing and roofs, poor drainage, and improper ventilation so as to preclude the buildup of mold and

mildew. Wet building materials and furnishings shall be dried within 48 hours if possible to prevent mold growth. When evidence of mold or mildew is found, maintenance staff shall locate and repair the source of water intrusion and remove or clean moldy materials.

3. Exterior wall and foundation cracks and openings shall be sealed as soon as possible to minimize seepage of radon into buildings from surrounding soils.

4. Least toxic pest management practices shall be used to control and manage pests at school sites.

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

5. In any new school construction, and in all existing schools when feasible, the Superintendent or designee shall install a carbon monoxide detector in each school building that contains a fossil fuel burning furnace. The device shall be placed in close proximity to the furnace in order to accurately detect any leakage of carbon monoxide.

6. Schedules and practices for routine housekeeping and maintenance shall be designed to effectively reduce levels of dust, dirt, and debris. Plain water, soap and water, or low-emission cleaning products shall be used whenever possible. Aerosols, including air fresheners and other products containing ozone, shall be avoided to the extent possible.

(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)

7. Painting of school facilities and maintenance or repair duties that require the use of potentially harmful substances shall be limited to those times when school is not in session. Following any such activity, the facility shall be properly ventilated with adequate time allowed prior to reopening for use by any person.

8. Paints, adhesives, and solvents shall be used and stored in well-ventilated areas. These items shall be purchased in small quantities to avoid storage exposure.

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)

9. To the extent possible, printing and duplicating equipment that may generate indoor air pollutants, such as methyl alcohol or ammonia, shall be placed in locations that are well ventilated and not frequented by students and staff.

10. The district's tobacco-free schools policy shall be consistently enforced in order to reduce the health risks caused by second-hand smoke.

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)

11. Staff and students shall be asked to refrain from bringing common irritants such as furred or feathered animals, stuffed toys that may collect dust mites, scented candles, incense, or air

fresheners and from using perfume or cologne, scented lotion or hair spray, nail polish or nail polish remover, or other personal care products that are not fragrance-free in classrooms or other enclosed areas or buildings.

(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)

Outdoor Air Quality

The Superintendent or designee may monitor local health advisories and outdoor air quality alerts, including forecasts of ozone levels, particle pollution, and/or ultraviolet radiation levels.

Whenever these measures indicate a significant health risk, the Superintendent or designee shall communicate with each principal so that outdoor activities, especially those requiring prolonged or heavy exertion, may be avoided, limited in duration, or modified as necessary for all persons or for persons who may be particularly susceptible to the health risk involved.

(cf. 5141.7 - Sun Safety)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

Vehicle Emissions

In order to reduce public exposure to toxic air contaminants, school bus drivers and other drivers of commercial motor vehicles shall limit unnecessary idling of vehicles at or near schools in accordance with 13 CCR 2480.

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

Any diesel-fueled school bus with a gross vehicle weight rating over 14,000 pounds manufactured on or after April 1, 1977 shall be equipped with a particulate filter designed to reduce particulate matter emissions, oxides of nitrogen emissions, and other pollutants. (13 CCR 2025)

Drinking Water

The quality and safety of the district's drinking water sources shall be regularly assessed.

Whenever testing of drinking water finds concentrations of lead that exceed federal and state standards in 40 CFR 141.80 and 22 CCR 64678, water outlets shall be flushed thoroughly each day before use or made inoperable until a plan for remediation can be implemented.

Whenever levels of arsenic, bacteria, or other contaminants in the drinking water are determined to be a concern, the Superintendent or designee may recommend basic filtration or pipe flushing

when feasible.

Until drinking water is assured to be safe, the Superintendent or designee may explore alternatives, such as bottled water, to ensure that students have access to fresh drinking water at mealtimes and at other times throughout the day. As needed, he/she also may encourage appropriate governmental agencies to conduct regular testing of the water quality in district schools and to implement strategies to improve water quality in the community.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

Drinking fountains in district schools shall be regularly cleaned and maintained to avoid the presence of dirt, mold, or other impurities or health concerns.

Lead Exposure

In addition to keeping school facilities as dust-free and clean as possible, the following steps shall be taken to minimize potential exposure to lead in school facilities:

1. Lead-based paint, lead plumbing and solders, or other potential sources of lead contamination shall not be used in the construction of any new school facility or the modernization or renovation of any existing school facility. (Education Code 32244)
2. Lead exposure hazards shall be evaluated before any renovation or remodeling is begun, and children shall not be allowed in or near buildings in which these activities may create lead dust. Contractors and workers shall comply with state and federal standards related to the handling and disposal of lead debris and the clean-up and containment of dust within the construction area.
3. Lead-based painted surfaces that are in good condition shall be kept intact. If lead-based paint is peeling, flaking, or chalking, contractors or workers shall follow state and federal standards for safe work practices to minimize contamination when removing the paint.
4. Soil with high lead content may be covered with grass, other plantings, concrete, or asphalt.
5. Drinking water shall be regularly tested for lead and remediated as provided in the section "Drinking Water" above.

Any action to abate existing lead hazards, excluding containment or cleaning, shall be taken only by contractors, inspectors, and workers certified by the California Department of Public Health in accordance with 17 CCR 35001-35099. (Education Code 32243)

Mercury Exposure

The Superintendent or designee shall identify any products containing mercury that are present in district facilities and, to the extent possible, shall replace them with mercury-free alternatives.

Staff shall receive information about proper procedures to follow in the event of a mercury spill. Clean-up instructions, a clearly labeled kit with necessary clean-up supplies, and a list of local resources shall be readily accessible.

In the event of a spill, staff shall evacuate all students from the immediate area of the spill, ensure that any clothing or other items with mercury on them remain in the room, open windows to the outside, and close doors to other parts of the school. Staff who are trained in proper clean-up procedures may carefully clean a small spill. As needed for larger or difficult-to-clean spills, the Superintendent or designee shall use an experienced professional referred by the local health department or environmental agency.

Any products containing mercury shall be properly disposed at an appropriate hazardous waste collection facility.

Asbestos Management

The Superintendent shall designate an employee who shall ensure that the district's responsibilities related to asbestos inspection and abatement are implemented in accordance with federal and state regulations. This employee shall receive adequate training to perform these duties, including, as necessary, training on the health effects of asbestos; detection, identification, and assessment of asbestos-containing materials; options for controlling asbestos-containing building materials; and relevant federal and state regulations. (40 CFR 763.84)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The designated employee shall ensure that the district complies with the following requirements:

1. School facilities shall be inspected for asbestos-containing materials as necessary in accordance with the following:
 - a. Any school building that is leased or acquired by the district shall be inspected for asbestos-containing materials prior to its use as a school building, unless exempted by federal regulations. (40 CFR 763.85, 763.99)
 - b. At least once every six months, the district shall conduct a periodic surveillance consisting of a visual inspection of each school building that contains or is assumed to contain asbestos-containing building materials. (40 CFR 763.92)
 - c. At least once every three years, the district shall conduct a re-inspection of all known or assumed asbestos-containing building materials in each school building. (40 CFR 763.85)
2. Based on the results of the inspection, an appropriate response which is sufficient to protect human health and the environment shall be determined from among the options specified

in 40 CFR 763.90. The district may select the least burdensome response, taking into consideration local circumstances, including occupancy and use patterns within the school building and economic concerns such as short-term and long-term costs. (40 CFR 763.90)

3. An asbestos management plan for each school site shall be maintained and regularly updated to keep it current with ongoing operations and maintenance, periodic surveillance, inspection, re-inspection, and response action activities. (15 USC 2643; 40 CFR 763.93)

The asbestos management plan shall be available for inspection in district and school offices during normal business hours. Parent/guardian, teacher, and employee organizations shall be annually informed of the availability of these plans. (40 CFR 763.84)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

4. Staff, students, and parents/guardians shall be informed at least once each school year about any inspections, response actions, and post-response actions, including periodic re-inspection and surveillance activities, that are planned or in progress. (40 CFR 763.84)

5. Inspections, re-inspections, periodic surveillance, and response actions, including operations and maintenance, shall be conducted in compliance with state and federal regulations for the protection and safety of workers and all other individuals. (Education Code 49410.5; 40 CFR 763.84)

Asbestos inspection and abatement work and any maintenance activities that may disturb asbestos-containing building materials, except for emergency repairs or small-scale, short-duration maintenance activities, shall be completed by state-certified asbestos inspectors or contractors. (15 USC 2646; 40 CFR 763.84, 763.85, 763.91)

6. All custodial and maintenance employees shall be properly trained in accordance with applicable federal and/or state regulations. (40 CFR 763.84)

All district maintenance and custodial staff who may work in a building that contains asbestos-containing materials, regardless of whether they are required to work with such materials, shall receive at least two hours of related asbestos awareness training. New maintenance and custodial staff shall receive such training within 60 days after beginning employment. Any maintenance or custodial staff who conduct activities that will disturb asbestos-containing materials shall receive 14 hours of additional training. The trainings shall address the topics specified in 40 CFR 763.92. (15 USC 2655; 40 CFR 763.84, 763.92)

7. Short-term workers, such as telephone repair workers, utility workers, or exterminators, who may come in contact with asbestos in a school shall be provided information regarding the locations of known or suspected asbestos-containing building materials. (40 CFR 763.84)

8. Warning labels shall be posted immediately adjacent to any known or suspected asbestos-containing building material located in routine maintenance areas in accordance with 40

CFR 763.95. (40 CFR 763.84)

The district shall maintain, in both the district and school offices and for a period of three years, records pertaining to each preventive measure and response action taken; staff training; periodic surveillances conducted; cleaning, operations, and maintenance activities; and any fiber release episode. (40 CFR 763.94)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Hazardous Substances

BP 3514.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board desires to provide a safe school environment that protects students and employees from exposure to potentially hazardous substances that may be used in the district's educational program and in the maintenance and operation of district facilities and equipment.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4219.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)

(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)

Insofar as reasonably possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored and used on school property. When hazardous substances must be used, the Superintendent or designee shall give preference to materials that cause the least risk to people and the environment.

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all potentially hazardous substances on district properties are inventoried, used, stored, and regularly disposed of in a safe and legal manner.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement, and maintain a written hazard communication program in accordance with 8 CCR 5194 and shall ensure that employees, students, and others as necessary are fully informed about the properties and potential hazards of substances to which they may be exposed.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop specific measures to ensure the safety of students and staff in school laboratories where hazardous chemicals are used. Such measures shall include the development and implementation of a chemical hygiene plan in accordance with 8 CCR 5191 and instruction to students about proper handling of hazardous substances.

(cf. 6142.93 - Science Instruction)

Legal Reference:

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49411 Chemical listing; compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

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HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

25163 Transportation of hazardous wastes; registration; exemptions; inspection

25500-25520 Hazardous materials release response plans; inventory

LABOR CODE

6360-6363 Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act

6380-6386 List of hazardous substances

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339 List of hazardous substances

3203 Illness and injury prevention program

3204 Records of employee exposure to toxic or harmful substances

5139-5230 Control of hazardous substances, especially

5154.1-5154.2 Ventilation

5161 Definitions

5162 Emergency eyewash and shower equipment

5163 Control of spills

5164 Storage of hazardous substances

5191 Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories; chemical hygiene plan

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Hazardous Substances

AR 3514.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Cautionary Notice: Government Code 17581.5 relieves districts from the obligation to perform specified mandated activities when the Budget Act does not provide reimbursement during that fiscal year. The Budget Act of 2016 (SB 826, Ch. 23, Statutes of 2016) extends the suspension of these requirements through the 2016-17 fiscal year. As a result, certain provisions of the following administrative regulation related to the removal of chemicals may be suspended.

Hazardous substance means a substance, material, or mixture which is likely to cause illness or injury by reason of being explosive, flammable, poisonous, corrosive, oxidizing, an irritant, or otherwise harmful. Hazardous substances, as identified by the Department of Industrial Relations, are listed in 8 CCR 339. (8 CCR 339, 5161)

Storage and Disposal of Chemicals

The Superintendent or designee shall adopt measures to ensure that hazardous substances on any district property are stored and disposed of properly in accordance with law. Such measures shall include, but are not limited to, the following: (8 CCR 5164)

1. Substances which react violently or evolve toxic vapors or gases when mixed, or which in combination become toxic, flammable, explosive, or otherwise hazardous, shall be separated from each other in storage by distance, partitions, secondary containment, or otherwise so as to preclude accidental contact between them.
2. Hazardous substances shall be stored in containers which are chemically inert to and appropriate for the type and quantity of the hazardous substance.
3. Containers of hazardous substances shall not be stored in such locations or manner as to result in physical damage to or deterioration of the container or where they are exposed to heat sufficient to rupture the container or to cause leakage.
4. Containers used to package a substance which gives off toxic, poisonous, corrosive, asphyxiant, suffocant, or anesthetic fumes, gases, or vapors in hazardous amounts, excluding small quantities of such materials kept in closed containers or materials kept in tank cars or trucks, shall not be stored in locations where it could be reasonably anticipated that persons would be exposed.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly remove and dispose of all chemicals whose estimated shelf life has elapsed. (Education Code 49411)

Hazard Communication Program

The district's written hazard communication program shall include at least the components listed below and shall be available upon request to all employees and their designated representatives. The program shall apply to any hazardous substance which is known to be present in the workplace in such a manner that employees may be exposed under normal conditions of use or in a reasonably foreseeable emergency resulting from workplace operations. (8 CCR 5194)

1. Container Labeling

No container of hazardous substance, unless exempted by law, shall be accepted by the district or any district school unless labeled, tagged, or marked by the supplier with the identity of the hazardous substance, hazard warning statements, and the name and address of the chemical manufacturer or importer. No label on an incoming container shall be removed or intentionally defaced unless the container is immediately marked with the required information.

Whenever hazardous substances are transferred from their original containers to other containers, the secondary containers shall likewise be labeled with the identity and hazard warning statement, unless the substances are intended only for the immediate use of the employee who performs the transfer.

2. Safety Data Sheets

Upon receiving a hazardous substance or mixture, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the manufacturer or importer has furnished a safety data sheet (SDS) as required by law. If the SDS is missing or obviously incomplete, the Superintendent or designee shall, within seven working days of noting the missing or incomplete information, request a new SDS from the manufacturer or importer. If a response is not received within 25 working days, the Superintendent or designee shall send a copy of the district's written inquiry to the California Occupational Safety and Health Division (Cal/OSHA). (8 CCR 5194)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain the required SDS for each hazardous substance in the workplace and shall ensure that it is readily accessible to employees in their work area during working hours. The SDS may be maintained in paper copy, electronically, or through other means, provided that employees have immediate access and understand how to use the alternative system.

3. Employee Information and Training

Employees shall receive information and training on hazardous substances in their work area at

the time of their initial assignment and whenever a new hazard is introduced into their work area. The information and training shall include, but are not limited to, the following topics: (8 CCR 5194)

- a. The requirements of 8 CCR 5194, including employee rights described therein
- b. The location and availability of the district's written hazard communication program, including the list of hazardous materials and all SDS
- c. Any operations in the work area where hazardous substances are present
- d. The physical and health effects of the hazardous substances in the work area
- e. Methods and observations that may be used to detect the presence or release of hazardous substances in the work area
- f. Measures that employees can take to protect themselves from exposure to hazardous substances, including specific procedures the district has implemented to protect employees, such as appropriate work practices, emergency procedures, and personal protective equipment to be used
- g. How to read and use the labels and SDS

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

4. List of Hazardous Substances

The written hazard communication program shall include a list of the hazardous substances known to be present in the workplace as a whole or for individual work areas. (8 CCR 5194)

5. Hazardous Nonroutine Tasks

When employees are required to perform hazardous nonroutine tasks or to work on unlabeled pipes that contain hazards, they shall first receive information about the specific hazards to which they may be exposed during this activity and the protective/safety measures which must be used, such as ventilation, respirators, other personal protective equipment, and/or the presence of another employee. They shall also receive information about emergency procedures to follow if accidentally exposed to the hazardous substance.

6. Information to Contractors

To ensure that outside contractors and their employees work safely in district facilities, the Superintendent or designee shall inform contractors of hazardous substances which are present

on the site and precautions that they may take to lessen the possibility of exposure. It shall be the contractor's responsibility to disseminate this information to his/her employees and subcontractors.

Chemical Hygiene Plan

The district's chemical hygiene plan shall address exposure to hazardous chemicals in school laboratories and shall include the following components: (8 CCR 5191)

1. Standard operating procedures relevant to safety and health considerations to be followed when laboratory work involves the use of hazardous chemicals
2. Criteria that the district will use to determine and implement control measures to reduce exposure to hazardous chemicals, including engineering controls, the use of personal protective equipment, and hygiene practices
3. A requirement that protective equipment comply with state regulations and that specific measures be taken to ensure proper and adequate performance of such equipment
4. Provision of specified information at the time of an employee's initial assignment to a work area where hazardous chemicals are present and prior to assignments involving new exposure situations
5. Provision of specified employee training in accordance with the schedule determined by the Superintendent or designee
6. The circumstances under which a particular laboratory operation, procedure, or activity shall require prior approval of the Superintendent or designee before implementation
7. Provisions for medical consultations and examinations whenever there is evidence, as specified, that the employee may have been exposed to a hazardous chemical
8. Designation of an employee, who is qualified by training or experience, to serve as the district's chemical hygiene officer to provide technical guidance in the development and implementation of the chemical hygiene plan
9. Provisions for additional employee protection for work with particularly hazardous substances, as specified

The plan shall be readily available to employees and employee representatives, and, upon request, to Cal/OSHA. (8 CCR 5191)

The Superintendent or designee shall review and evaluate the effectiveness of the chemical hygiene plan at least annually and shall update it as necessary. (8 CCR 5191)

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Integrated Pest Management

AR 3514.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Superintendent or designee shall designate an employee at the district office and/or school site to develop, implement, and coordinate an integrated pest management (IPM) program that incorporates effective, least toxic pest management practices. The IPM coordinator shall prepare and regularly update a districtwide or school site IPM plan based on the template provided by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR).

Integrated pest management means a strategy that focuses on long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through a combination of techniques such as monitoring for pest presence and establishing treatment threshold levels, using nonchemical practices to make the habitat less conducive to pest development, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls. Pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment are used only after careful monitoring indicates they are needed according to pre-established guidelines and treatment thresholds. (Education Code 17609; Food and Agricultural Code 13181)

The IPM plan and this administrative regulation shall not apply to reduced-risk pesticides, including self-contained baits or traps, gels or pastes used for crack and crevice treatments, antimicrobials, and pesticides exempt from registration by law. (Education Code 17610.5; 3 CCR 6147)

The IPM coordinator shall not use any pesticide that is prohibited by DPR or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as listed on the DPR web site. (Education Code 17610.1)

Program Components

The district's program shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following components:

1. Identifying and monitoring pest population levels and identifying practices that could affect pest populations. Strategies for managing the pest shall be influenced by the pest species and whether that species poses a threat to people, property, or the environment.
2. Setting action threshold levels to determine when pest populations or vegetation at a specific location might cause unacceptable health or economic hazards that would indicate

corrective action should be taken.

3. Modifying or eliminating pest habitats to deter pest populations and minimize pest infestations.
4. Considering a full range of possible alternative cost-effective treatments. Such alternative treatments may include taking no action or controlling the pest by physical, horticultural, or biological methods. Cost or staffing considerations alone will not be adequate justification for the use of chemical control agents.
5. Selecting nonchemical pest management methods over chemical methods whenever such methods are effective in providing the desired control or, when it is determined that chemical methods must be used, giving preference to those chemicals that pose the least hazardous effects to people and the environment.
6. Limiting pesticide purchases to amounts needed for the year. Pesticides shall be stored at a secure location that is not accessible to students and unauthorized staff. They shall be stored and disposed of in accordance with state regulations and label directions registered with the EPA as well as any disposal requirements indicated on the product label.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

7. Informing parents/guardians and employees regarding pesticide use as described in the sections "Notifications" and "Warning Signs" below.
8. Ensuring that persons applying pesticides follow label precautions and are sufficiently trained in the principles and practices of IPM.

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

Beginning July 1, 2016, the IPM coordinator and any employee or contractor who intends to apply a pesticide at a school site shall annually complete a DPR-approved training course on IPM and the safe use of pesticides in relation to the unique nature of school sites and children's health. (Education Code 17614; Food and Agricultural Code 13186.5)

Notifications

Staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at a school site shall be annually notified, in writing, regarding pesticide products expected to be applied at the school site in the upcoming year. The notification shall include at least the following: (Education Code 17612)

1. The name of each pesticide product expected to be applied in the upcoming year and the active ingredient(s) in it

2. The Internet address (<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm>) used to access information on pesticides and pesticide use reduction developed by the DPR pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code 13184
3. If the school has posted its IPM plan, the Internet address where the plan may be found
4. The opportunity to view a copy of the IPM plan in the school office
5. An opportunity for interested persons to register to receive prior notification of each application of a pesticide at the school site
6. Other information deemed necessary by the IPM coordinator

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Whenever a person registers to receive notice of individual pesticide application pursuant to item #5 above, the IPM coordinator shall notify such registered persons of individual pesticide applications at least 72 hours prior to the application. The notice shall include the product name, the active ingredient(s) in the product, and the intended date of application. (Education Code 17612)

If a pesticide product not included in the annual notification is subsequently intended for use at a school site, the IPM coordinator shall provide written notification of its intended use to staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at the school, at least 72 hours prior to the application. (Education Code 17612)

If a school chooses to use a pesticide not exempted pursuant to Education Code 17610.5, it shall post the school or district IPM plan on the school's web site or, if the school does not have a web site, then on the district web site. If neither the school nor district has a web site, then the IPM plan shall be included with the annual notification sent to staff and parents/guardians pursuant to Education Code 17612 as described above. The plan shall include the name of the school designee or IPM coordinator, the pesticides applied at the school site by school or district employees and hired pest control applicators, and a date when the plan shall be reviewed and updated as necessary. When not required, the IPM coordinator may post or distribute the IPM plan at his/her discretion. (Education Code 17611.5)

Whenever the IPM coordinator deems that the immediate use of a pesticide is necessary to protect the health and safety of students, staff, or other persons at the school site, he/she shall make every effort to provide the required notifications prior to the application of the pesticide. (Education Code 17612)

Warning Signs

The IPM coordinator shall post a warning sign at each area of the school site where pesticides will be applied that shall be visible to all persons entering the treated area. The sign shall be posted at least 24 hours prior to the application and shall remain posted until 72 hours after the application. The warning sign shall prominently display the following information: (Education Code 17612)

1. The term "Warning/Pesticide Treated Area"
2. The product name, manufacturer's name, and the EPA's product registration number
3. Intended areas and dates of application
4. Reason for the pesticide application

When advance posting is not possible due to an emergency condition requiring immediate use of a pesticide, the warning sign shall be posted immediately upon application and shall remain posted until 72 hours after the application. (Education Code 17609, 17612)

Records

At the end of each calendar year, the IPM coordinator shall submit to the DPR, on a form provided by the DPR, a copy of the records of all pesticide use at the school site for that year, excluding any pesticides exempted by law and any pesticide use reported by the pest control operator pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code 13186. The IPM coordinator may submit more frequent reports at his/her discretion. (Education Code 17611)

Each school site shall maintain records of all pesticide use at the school for four years, and shall make the information available to the public, upon request, in accordance with the California Public Records Act. Such records may be maintained by retaining a copy of the warning sign posted for each pesticide application with a recording on that copy of the amount of the pesticide used. (Education Code 17611)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Legal Reference:

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

8593.2 Licensed pest control operators; training requirements

EDUCATION CODE

17366 Legislative intent (fitness of buildings for occupancy)

17608-17614 Healthy Schools Act of 2000

48980 Notice at beginning of term

48980.3 Notification of pesticides

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

11401-12408 Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals

13180-13188 Healthy Schools Act of 2000

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation; right to negotiate safety conditions

6250-6270 California Public Records Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 3

6147 Pesticides exempted from registration requirements

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

340-340.2 Employer's obligation to provide safety information

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 7

136-136y Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Campus Security

BP 3515

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes the safety of students, employees, and visitors to school grounds. The Board also recognizes the importance of protecting district property, facilities, and equipment from vandalism and theft.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop campus security procedures which are consistent with the goals and objectives of the district's comprehensive safety plan and site-level safety plans. Such procedures shall be regularly reviewed to reflect changed circumstances and to assess their effectiveness in achieving safe school objectives.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Surveillance Systems

The Board believes that reasonable use of surveillance cameras will help the district achieve its goals for campus security. In consultation with the safety planning committee and relevant staff, the Superintendent or designee shall identify appropriate locations for the placement of surveillance cameras. Cameras shall not be placed in areas where students, staff, or community members have a reasonable expectation of privacy. Any audio capability on the district's surveillance equipment shall be disabled so that sounds are not recorded.

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)

Prior to the operation of the surveillance system, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs are posted at conspicuous locations at affected school buildings and grounds. These signs shall inform students, staff, and visitors that surveillance may occur and shall state whether the district's system is actively monitored by school personnel. The Superintendent or designee shall also provide prior written notice to students and parents/guardians about the district's surveillance system, including the locations where surveillance may occur, explaining that the recordings may be used in disciplinary proceedings, and that matters captured by the camera may be referred to local law enforcement, as appropriate.

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

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

To the extent that any images from the district's surveillance system create a student or personnel record, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the images are accessed, retained, and disclosed in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation, and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Records)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32020 Access gates

32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes

32280-32288 School safety plans

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

38000-38005 Security patrols

49050-49051 Searches by school employees

49060-49079 Student records

PENAL CODE

469 Unauthorized making, duplicating or possession of key to public building

626-626.10 Disruption of schools

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 1, Section 28(c) Right to Safe Schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Campus Security

AR 3515

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's campus security plan includes strategies to:

1. Secure the campus perimeter and school facilities in order to prevent criminal activity

These strategies include a risk management analysis of each campus' security system, lighting system, and fencing. Procedures to ensure unobstructed views and eliminate blind spots caused by doorways and landscaping shall also be considered. In addition, parking lot design may be studied, including methods to discourage through traffic.

2. Secure buildings from outsiders and discourage trespassing

These strategies may include requiring visitor registration, staff and student identification tags, and patrolling of places used for congregating and loitering.

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

(cf. 5112.5 - Open/Closed Campus)

3. Discourage vandalism and graffiti

These strategies may include plans to immediately cover graffiti as well as campus beautification projects and shall also include students and the community in these projects.

(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)

(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)

4. Control access to keys and other school inventory

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

5. Detect and intervene with school crime

These strategies may include the creation of a school watch program, an anonymous

crime reporting system, analysis of school crime incidents, and collaboration with local law enforcement agencies, including providing for law enforcement presence.

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5138 - Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation)
(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)

All staff shall receive training in building and grounds security procedures.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Keys

All keys used in a school shall be the responsibility of the principal or designee. Keys shall be issued only to those employees who regularly need a key in order to carry out normal activities of their position.

The principal or designee shall create a key control system with a record of each key assigned and room(s) or building(s) which the key opens.

Keys shall be used only by authorized employees and shall never be loaned to students. The master key shall not be loaned.

The person issued a key shall be responsible for its safekeeping. The duplication of school keys is prohibited. If a key is lost, the person responsible shall immediately report the loss to the principal or designee and shall pay for a replacement key.

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Disruptions

BP 3515.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board is committed to providing a safe and orderly environment for students, staff, and others on district property or while engaged in school activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall remove any individual who, by his/her presence or action, disrupts or threatens to disrupt normal operations at a school campus or any other district facility, threatens the health or safety of anyone on district property, or causes or threatens to cause damage to district property or to any property on school grounds.

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a plan describing staff responsibilities and actions to be taken when an individual is causing or threatening to cause a disruption. The plan shall address, as appropriate, visitor registration procedures; campus security measures; evacuation procedures; lock-down procedures; possible responses to an active shooter situation; communications within the school and with parents/guardians, law enforcement, and the media in the event of an emergency; and crisis counseling or other assistance for students and staff after a disruption. In developing such a plan, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with law enforcement to create guidelines for law enforcement support and intervention when necessary.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

(cf. 3515.7 - Firearms on School Grounds)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to school staff on how to identify and respond to actions or situations that may constitute a disruption.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Any employee who believes that a disruption may occur shall immediately contact the principal. The principal or designee shall notify law enforcement in accordance with Education Code 48902 and 20 USC 7151 and in other situations, as appropriate.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 32210 Willful disturbance of public school or meeting, misdemeanor
- 32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; misdemeanor
- 35160 Authority of governing boards
- 44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct
- 44811 Disruption of classwork or extracurricular activities
- 48902 Notification of law enforcement authorities
- 51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device

PENAL CODE

- 243.5 Assault or battery on school property
- 415.5 Disturbance of peace of school
- 626-626.11 Schools, crimes, especially:
 - 626.7 Failure to leave campus or facility; wrongful return; penalties; notice; exceptions
 - 626.8 Disruptive presence at schools
 - 626.81 Misdemeanor for registered sex offender to come onto school grounds
 - 626.85 Misdemeanor for specified drug offender presence on school grounds
 - 626.9 Gun Free School Zone Act
 - 627-627.10 Access to school premises
- 653b Loitering about schools or public places
- 12556 Imitation firearms
- 30310 Prohibition against ammunition on school grounds

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Administrative Regulation

Disruptions

AR 3515.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The principal or designee may direct any person, except a student, school employee, or other person required by his/her employment to be on school grounds, to leave school grounds or school activity if:

1. The principal or designee has reasonable basis for concluding that the person is committing or has entered the campus with the purpose of committing an act which is likely to interfere with the peaceful conduct, discipline, good order, or administration of the school or a school activity, or with the intent of inflicting damage to any person or property. (Education Code 44810, 44811; Penal Code 626.7)
2. The person fights or challenges another person to a fight, willfully disturbs another person by loud and unreasonable noise, or uses offensive language which could provoke a violent reaction. (Penal Code 415.5)
3. The person, without lawful business for being present, loiters around a school or reenters a school within 72 hours after he/she was asked to leave. (Penal Code 653b)
4. The person is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290 and does not have a lawful purpose and written permission from the principal or designee to be on school grounds. (Penal Code 626.81)
(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)
(cf. 3515.5 - Sex Offender Notification)
5. The person is a specified drug offender, as defined in Penal Code 626.85, and does not have written permission from the principal or designee to be on school grounds. However, such specified drug offender may be on school grounds during any school activity if he/she is a student or the parent/guardian of a student attending the school. (Penal Code 626.85)
6. The person willfully or knowingly creates a disruption with the intent to threaten the immediate physical safety of students, staff, or others while attending, arriving at, or leaving

school. (Penal Code 626.8)

7. The person has otherwise established a continued pattern of unauthorized entry on school grounds. (Penal Code 626.8)

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

The principal or designee shall allow a parent/guardian who was previously directed to leave school grounds to reenter for the purpose of retrieving his/her child for disciplinary reasons, medical attention, or family emergencies, or with the principal or designee's prior written permission. (Penal Code 626.7, 626.85)

When directing any person to leave school premises, the principal or designee shall inform the person that he/she may be guilty of a crime if he/she: (Education Code 32211; Penal Code 626.7, 626.8, 636.85)

1. Fails to leave or remains after being directed to leave
2. Returns to the campus without following the school's posted registration requirements
3. Returns within seven days after being directed to leave

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Whenever an individual is causing or threatening to cause a disruption at any district facility other than a school campus, the Superintendent or designee may direct that individual to leave the facility consistent with this regulation and the accompanying Board policy.

Appeal Procedure

Any person who is asked to leave a school building or grounds may appeal to the Superintendent or designee. This appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the person has departed from the school building or grounds. After reviewing the matter with the principal or designee and the person making the appeal, the Superintendent or designee shall render his/her decision within 24 hours after the appeal is made, and this decision shall be binding. (Education Code 32211)

The decision of the Superintendent or designee may be appealed to the Governing Board. Such an appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the Superintendent or designee has rendered his/her decision. The Board shall consider and decide the appeal at its next scheduled regular or adjourned regular public meeting. The Board's decision shall be final. (Education Code 32211)

In any circumstance where a person has been directed to leave a school building or ground where the Superintendent's or Board's office is situated, he/she may nevertheless enter the school building or ground solely for the purpose of making the appeal. (Education Code 32211)

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UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (DRONES)

The Governing Board recognizes that unmanned aircraft or aerial systems (drones) may be a useful tool to enhance the instructional program and assist with district operations. In order to avoid disruption and maintain the safety, security, and privacy of students, staff, and visitors, any person or entity desiring to use a drone on or over district property shall submit a written request for permission to the Superintendent or designee.

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

A small *unmanned aircraft system* or drone is an aircraft weighing less than 55 pounds that is operated remotely without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft and the associated elements, including communication links and controls, required for the pilot to operate the aircraft safely and efficiently. It does not include model aircraft or rockets such as those which are radio controlled and used only for hobby or recreational purposes. (49 USC 40101 Note; 14 CFR 107.3)

The Superintendent or designee may grant permission to district employees and students for the use of drones only if the planned activity supports instructional, co-curricular, extracurricular, athletic, or operational purposes. Such uses may include, but are not limited to, instruction in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), the arts, or other subjects; maintenance of grounds and facilities; and campus security. When used for instructional purposes, there shall be a clear and articulable connection between drone technology and the course curriculum. Students shall only operate a drone on or over district property under the supervision of a district employee as part of an authorized activity.

The Superintendent or designee may grant permission to other persons or entities under terms and conditions to be specified in a memorandum of understanding.

Any person or entity requesting to operate a drone on or over district property, including a district employee, shall provide a description of the type of operation requested, flight location, date and time of the planned flight, anticipated duration, and whether photos and/or video will be taken. As applicable, the applicant shall also present a copy of his/her Certificate of Waiver or Authorization or exemption issued by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Any person or entity, other than a district employee or student, who is requesting or operating a drone on or over district property shall agree to hold the district harmless from any claims of harm to individuals or property resulting from the operation of the drone and provide proof of adequate liability insurance covering such use.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (DRONES) (continued)

In determining whether to grant permission for the requested use of a drone, the Superintendent or designee shall consider the intended purpose of the activity and its potential impact on safety, security, and privacy. The decision of the Superintendent or designee shall be final.

Any person authorized to use a drone on district property shall sign an acknowledgment that he/she understands and will comply with the terms and conditions of the district's policy, federal law and regulations, state law, and any local ordinances related to the use of drones.

When any use of drones is authorized, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the drone operator of the following conditions:

1. The operator is responsible for complying with applicable federal, state, and/or local laws and regulations, including federal safety regulations pursuant to 14 CFR 107.15-107.51 which include, but are not limited to, requirements that the drone not be flown at night, above 400 feet in altitude, or over any people unless they are in a covered structure or stationary vehicle. The operator shall maintain the visual line of sight with the drone at all times.
2. The drone shall be kept away from any area reasonably considered private, including, but not limited to, restrooms, locker rooms, and individual homes.
3. The district reserves the right to rescind the authorization for use of drones at any time.

The Superintendent or designee may remove any person engaged in unauthorized drone use on district property and/or may confiscate the drone. He/she may also shut down the operation of any authorized drone use whenever the operator fails to comply with the terms of the authorization or the use interferes with district activity, creates electronic interference, or poses unacceptable risks to individuals or property.

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Any student or staff member violating this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with district policies and procedures.

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

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

Legal Reference: (see next page)

UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (DRONES) (continued)

Legal Reference:

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40101 Note Unmanned aircraft systems

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107.1-107.205 Small unmanned aircraft systems, especially:

107.12 Requirement for a remote pilot certificate with a small UAS rating

107.15-107.51 Operating rules; safety

107.53-107.79 Remote pilot certification

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

District Police/Security Department

BP 3515.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

To help ensure the safety of district students and staff and the security of district property, the Governing Board shall maintain a district police or security department.

- (cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
- (cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)
- (cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
- (cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
- (cf. 3515.5 - Sex Offender Notification)
- (cf. 3516.2 - Bomb Threats)
- (cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)
- (cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)
- (cf. 5131.6 - Alcohol and Other Drugs)
- (cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)
- (cf. 5136 - Gangs)
- (cf. 5142.1 - Identification and Reporting of Missing Children)
- (cf. 5145.11 - Questioning and Apprehension by Law Enforcement)
- (cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)

Duties of district police officers or security officers shall be delineated in a job description developed by the Superintendent or designee.

- (cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)
- (cf. 4200 - Classified Personnel)

Persons employed as members of the district police department, when appointed and duly sworn, are peace officers for the purposes of carrying out their duties pursuant to Penal Code 830.32. (Education Code 38001)

The district's police department may be supplemented by a school police reserve officer corps, which may include unpaid volunteer reserve police officers. For the duration of their specific assignment, school police reserve officers shall have the same powers and duties as other school police officers. (Education Code 35021.5; Penal Code 830.6)

- (cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

The Board expects district police to cooperate and regularly communicate with local law enforcement agencies, and to work collaboratively with other district staff and community members to develop long-term, proactive approaches that address the conditions affecting school safety.

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

District police shall conduct themselves in ways that promote goodwill and cooperation on the part of students, district staff and the general public.

Firearms

The Board authorizes district police to carry firearms in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulations.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35021.5 School police reserve corps

38000-38005 Security and police departments

39672 School peace officers, fingerprinting

45122.1 Classified employees, conviction of a violent or serious felony

49079 Notification to teacher; student who has engaged in acts constituting grounds for suspension or expulsion

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

7583-7583.46 Private patrol operators

FAMILY CODE

6240-6274 Emergency protective orders

GOVERNMENT CODE

3300-3312 Public safety officers, rights and protections

8597-8598 Peace officers

PENAL CODE

290.45 Sex offenders, authority of peace officers

646.91 Emergency protective order for stalking

830-832.9 Peace officers, especially:

830.32 School district and community college police

830.6 Reserve police officers, powers and duties

832 Course of training prescribed by Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training

832.2 School peace officers; training

832.7 Disclosure of personnel files in criminal or civil proceedings

836 Peace officers; warrants

12028.5 Taking custody of weapons

13510-13519.9 Standards for recruitment and training

13700-13702 Response to domestic violence

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707 List of crimes

828-828.1 Disclosure of information re minors by law enforcement agency

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California Department of Education, Safe Schools and Violence Prevention Office:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss/>

Attorney General's Office, Crime and Violence Prevention Center: <http://www.safestate.org>

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District Police/Security Department

AR 3515.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

To be employed as district police, persons shall meet all the requirements for classified personnel in addition to specialized requirements as described below.

(cf. 4112.4/4212.4/4312.4 - Health Examinations)
(cf. 4112.41/4212.41/4312.41 - Employee Drug Testing)
(cf. 4211 - Recruitment and Selection)
(cf. 4212 - Appointment and Conditions of Employment)
(cf. 4215 - Evaluation/Supervision)

Chief of Police

The district police shall be supervised by a chief of police. (Education Code 38000)

Qualifications for the position of police chief include, but are not limited to, prior employment as a peace officer or completion of a peace officer training course approved by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. The police chief shall comply with this requirement within one year of initial employment in this position by the district. (Education Code 38000)

Qualifications of Police Officers

Before exercising the powers of a peace officer, district police officers shall satisfactorily complete an introductory course of training prescribed by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training and shall pass the commission's examination. (Penal Code 832, 832.3)

If a person has passed this examination more than three years before being employed as a peace officer, or has a break in service of three or more years, he/she shall be required to pass the examination before beginning duties as a district police officer, unless he/she meets criteria required by law. (Penal Code 832)

Within two years of the date of first employment, district police officers shall have completed supplementary specialized training, approved by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, on the unique safety needs of a school environment. (Penal Code 832.3)

The Superintendent or designee may provide district police officers with additional training in

other public safety skills, including but not limited to first aid, rescue, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, emergency medical technician training, juvenile procedures and specialized safety equipment. (Education Code 38002)

(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

School police reserve officers shall complete a course of training directly related to the role of school police reserve officers as prescribed in Penal Code 832.2. (Education Code 35021.5)

Equipment

Each district police shall wear a badge bearing the name of the district, carry an identification card bearing his/her photograph and signature and the signature of the Superintendent, and carry any other identification data required by local law enforcement agencies. (Education Code 38003)

The district shall bear the cost of all required uniforms, equipment, identification badges and cards. (Education Code 38003)

The Board may provide and maintain motor vehicles for use by police or security department staff. When operated by a district officer in the performance of his/her duties, any vehicle is an authorized emergency vehicle and may be equipped and operated as such, as provided by the Vehicle Code. (Education Code 38004)

Personnel Files

Before any record containing an adverse comment is placed in a police officer's personnel file, he/she shall read and sign the record indicating he/she is aware of the comment. The police officer shall have 30 days to file a written response, which shall be attached to the adverse comment. (Government Code 3305-3306)

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)

A police officer may inspect his/her personnel file during usual business hours with no loss of compensation. If the officer believes that any portion of the material is mistakenly or unlawfully placed in the file, the officer may request, in writing, that the mistaken or unlawful portion be corrected or deleted and shall describe the reasons supporting those corrections or deletions. Within 30 days of the request, the Superintendent or designee shall either grant the officer's request or notify the officer of the decision to refuse to grant the request. The Superintendent or designee shall state in writing the reasons for refusing any request. (Government Code 3306.5)

Disciplinary Action

Any investigation of a district police officer that could lead to punitive action shall be conducted in accordance with Government Code 3303-3304.

If the Superintendent or designee decides to impose discipline following investigation and any predisciplinary response or procedure, he/she shall notify the police officer in writing within 30 days of the decision, including the date that the discipline shall be imposed. (Government Code 3304)

Any appeal by a police officer shall be conducted in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. (Government Code 3304.5)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

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Board Policy

Recovery For Property Loss Or Damage

BP 3515.4

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board desires to create a safe and secure learning environment and to minimize acts of vandalism and damage to school property. To discourage such acts, the district shall seek reimbursement of damages, within the limitations specified in law, from any individual, or from the parent/guardian of any minor, who has committed theft or has willfully damaged district or employee property.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)

(cf. 5136 - Gangs)

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

Rewards

When district or law enforcement officials have not been able to identify the person(s) responsible for the theft or vandalism of district property, the Board may authorize a reward for the identification and apprehension of the responsible person(s).

The Board shall determine the appropriate amount for the reward.

The Superintendent or designee shall disburse the reward when the guilt of the person responsible for the act has been established by a criminal conviction or other appropriate judicial procedure.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

19910 Libraries, malicious cutting, tearing, defacing, breaking or injuring

19911 Libraries, willful detention of property

44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct

48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful misconduct

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Liability of parent or guardian for act of willful misconduct by a minor

GOVERNMENT CODE

53069.5 Reward for information concerning person causing death, injury, or property damage

53069.6 Actions to recover damages

54951 Local agency, definition

PENAL CODE

484 Theft defined

594.1 Aerosol paint and etching cream

640.5 Graffiti; facilities or vehicles of governmental entity

640.6 Graffiti

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WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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Administrative Regulation

Recovery For Property Loss Or Damage

AR 3515.4

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Reports by Staff

District employees shall report any damage to or loss of school property to the principal or designee immediately after such damage or loss is discovered. In those instances in which insurance reimbursement may be involved, the principal or designee shall contact the appropriate district official.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)
(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)

Investigation

The Superintendent or designee shall conduct a complete investigation of any instance of damage to or loss of school property and shall consult law enforcement officials when appropriate. If it is determined that the damage has been committed by any district student, the Superintendent or designee shall initiate appropriate disciplinary procedures against the student.

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)
(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)

Recovery of Damages

When the individual causing the damage or loss has been identified and the costs of repair, replacement, or cleanup determined, the Superintendent or designee shall take all practical and reasonable steps to recover the district's costs and shall consult with the district's legal counsel and/or insurance administrator, as appropriate.

Such steps may include the filing of a civil complaint in a court of competent jurisdiction to recover damages from the responsible person and, if the responsible person is a minor, from his/her parent/guardian in accordance with law. Damages may include the cost of repair or

replacement of the property, the payment of any reward, interest, court costs, and all other damages as provided by law.

Payment of Reward

When authorized according to Board policy, the Superintendent or designee shall pay the reward to the party who provides information sufficient to identify and apprehend the person(s) subsequently determined to be responsible for the damage or loss. If more than one person provides information, the reward shall be divided among them as appropriate.

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Board Policy

Sex Offender Notification

BP 3515.5

Business and Noninstructional Operations

In order to protect students while they are traveling to and from school, or attending school or a school-related activity, the Governing Board believes it is important that the district respond appropriately when a law enforcement agency notifies the district about registered sex offenders who may reside or work within district boundaries.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish an ongoing relationship with law enforcement officials to coordinate the receipt and dissemination of such information. To the extent authorized by law, the Superintendent or designee also shall establish procedures for notifying appropriate staff as necessary.

To protect the district and its employees from liability, employees shall disseminate sex offender information in good faith, and only in the manner and to the extent authorized by the law enforcement agency.

The Superintendent or designee may annually notify parents/guardians of the availability of information about registered sex offenders on the Department of Justice's Internet website.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

Role of District Police/Security Department

In accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation, the district police/security department may disseminate information about registered sex offenders to the school community. The district police/security department shall consult with local law enforcement and the Superintendent or designee prior to any such dissemination.

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

The district police/security department shall maintain records of the means and dates of dissemination for five years. (Penal Code 290.45)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; offense

35160 Authority of boards

35160.1 Board authority of school districts

48981 Parent/guardian notifications; methods

PENAL CODE

290 Registration of sex offenders

290.4 Sex offender registration; compilation of information

290.45 Release of sex offender information

290.46 Making information about certain sex offenders available via the Internet

290.9 Addresses of persons who violate duty to register

290.95 Disclosure by person required to register as sex offender

626.8 Disruptive entry or entry of sex offender upon school grounds

626.81 Sex offender; permission to volunteer at school

830.32 School district and community college police

3003 Parole, geographic placement

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

14071 Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender

Registration Program Act

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

82 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 20 (1999)

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

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Sex Offender Notification

AR 3515.5

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The Superintendent or designee shall develop a plan for receiving and communicating information about registered sex offenders residing within district boundaries. He/she shall ensure, at a minimum, that the following components are part of the plan:

1. The Superintendent or designee shall appoint a staff member to serve as liaison with law enforcement regarding these matters.
2. The Superintendent or district liaison shall, at the beginning of each school year, contact local law enforcement to coordinate the receipt of information. Law enforcement shall be informed that all notifications and correspondence should be directed to the liaison as well as the individual school sites. A letter shall be sent annually to local law enforcement, identifying the name, phone number, and address of the liaison.
3. The Superintendent or district liaison shall collaborate with law enforcement in order to alert children to the dangers of sex offenders, develop a system for distributing information about sex offenders, and train school staff and parents/guardians about the roles and responsibilities of both the district and law enforcement.
4. The Superintendent or liaison shall, at the beginning of each school year, notify parents/guardians of the district's willingness and intention to work with law enforcement on this matter and shall explain the appropriate roles and responsibilities of both the district and law enforcement.

This communication shall also explain:

- a. The reporting requirements pursuant to Penal Code 290 and 290.45, including the fact that law enforcement is the agency best able to assess the relative danger of a sex offender
 - b. The ability of the parents/guardians to contact law enforcement for additional information and to view the information on the Megan's Law Internet website
5. When law enforcement notifies the district of the residency or employment of a sex offender within district boundaries, the Superintendent or district liaison shall consult with law

enforcement about the appropriate scope of the disclosure. When authorized by law enforcement, the Superintendent or liaison may disclose information about a sex offender to the following staff:

- a. The principal of the school which is in the attendance area of the sex offender's residence or place of employment
- b. Teachers and classified personnel at that school, including staff responsible for visitor registration

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

- c. Principals and staff at adjacent schools, as appropriate
 - d. Security staff
 - e. Bus drivers
 - f. Yard supervisors
6. Any staff member who receives information directly from law enforcement regarding registered sex offenders shall immediately contact the Superintendent or liaison in order to help ensure that the district is able to respond appropriately.
 7. If an identified sex offender is seen on or near school grounds or around any student, staff shall immediately contact the district liaison. A staff member may also inform local law enforcement.

Notification to Parents/Guardians

When law enforcement has determined that parents/guardians should be notified regarding the presence of a sex offender in the community, the Superintendent or district liaison shall collaborate with local law enforcement in order to determine an appropriate response. This response may include:

1. An article in a school or parent council newsletter notifying parents/guardians that law enforcement information about registered sex offenders is available at the local law enforcement agency headquarters and/or at the school office. This article shall encourage parents/guardians to contact local law enforcement and access the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Megan's Law Internet website for additional information.
2. A mailing, at law enforcement's expense, prepared by law enforcement, and printed on law enforcement letterhead and envelopes, notifying parents/guardians of the presence of registered sex offenders. This notification shall encourage parents/guardians to contact local law enforcement and access the DOJ's Megan's Law Internet website for additional information.

3. A mailing of a letter, at district expense, prepared by law enforcement and printed on law enforcement letterhead and envelopes, notifying parents/guardians of the presence of registered sex offenders. This notification shall encourage parents/guardians to contact local law enforcement and access the DOJ's Megan's Law Internet website for additional information.

Whenever the principal has granted permission to a person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290 to come into a school building or upon school grounds to volunteer at the school, he/she shall notify the parent/guardian of each student at that school, at least 14 days in advance using one of the methods specified in Education Code 48981, that a registered sex offender has been granted such permission, the date(s) and times for which permission has been granted, and the parent/guardian's right to obtain information regarding the person from a designated law enforcement agency. (Penal Code 626.81)

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

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Administrative Regulation

Criminal Background Checks For Contractors

AR 3515.6

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Whenever the district contracts for school and classroom janitorial, school site administrative, school site grounds and landscape maintenance, student transportation, and school site food-related services, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the contracting entity certifies in writing that any employees who may come into contact with students have not been convicted of a felony as defined in Education Code 45122.1, unless the employee has received a certificate of rehabilitation and a pardon. (Education Code 45125.1)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

(cf. 3600 - Consultants)

(cf. 7140 - Architectural and Engineering Services)

On a case-by-case basis, the Superintendent or designee may also require a contracting entity providing school site services, other than those listed above, to comply with these requirements. (Education Code 45125.1)

These requirements shall not apply if the Superintendent or designee determines that the contracting entity is providing services in an emergency or exceptional situation, such as when student health or safety is endangered or when repairs are needed to make school facilities safe and habitable. (Education Code 45125.1)

In addition, these requirements shall not apply if the Superintendent or designee determines that the employees of the contracting entity will have limited contact with students. In determining whether a contract employee has limited contact with students, the Superintendent or designee shall consider the totality of the circumstances, including the following factors: (Education Code 45125.1)

1. The length of time the contractors will be on school grounds
2. Whether students will be in proximity with the site where the contractors will be working
3. Whether the contractors will be working by themselves or with others

Upon a determination that an employee shall have limited contact with students, the Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate steps to protect the safety of any student who may come in contact with this employee. (Education Code 45125.1)

These steps may include, but not be limited to, ensuring that the employee is working during nonschool hours, providing for regular patrols or supervision of the site from district security or personnel, ensuring that the employee is not working alone when students are present, limiting the employee's access to school grounds and/or providing the employee with a visible means of identification.

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

Other Facility Contractors

When the district contracts for construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or repair of a school facility where the employees of the entity will have contact, other than limited contact with students, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure the safety of students by utilizing one or more of the following methods: (Education Code 45125.2)

1. The installation of a physical barrier at the worksite to limit contact with students.
2. Continual supervision and monitoring of all employees of the entity by an employee of the entity whom the Department of Justice has ascertained has not been convicted of a violent or serious felony.

The supervising employee may submit his/her fingerprints to the Department of Justice pursuant to Education Code 45125.1.

3. Surveillance of employees of the entity by school personnel.

These requirements shall not apply if the Superintendent or designee determines that the contracting entity is providing construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or repair services in an emergency or exceptional situation, such as when student health or safety is endangered or when repairs are needed to make school facilities safe and habitable. (Education Code 45125.2)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

41302.5 School districts, definition

45122.1 Classified employees, conviction of a violent or serious felony

45125.1 Criminal background checks for contractors

45125.2 Criminal background checks for construction

PENAL CODE

667.5 Prior prison terms, enhancement of prison terms

1192.7 Plea bargaining limitation

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Firearms On School Grounds

BP 3515.7

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board is committed to providing a safe environment for students, staff, and visitors on campus. The Superintendent or designee shall consult with local law enforcement, insurance carriers, and other appropriate individuals and agencies to address the security of school campuses.

(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)
(cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)
(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)

District policy regarding the possession of firearms and/or ammunition on school grounds shall be included in the district's comprehensive safety plan and shall be communicated to district staff, parents/guardians, and the community.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)

Any person specified in Penal Code 626.9(l)-(o) and 30310 is authorized to possess a firearm and/or ammunition on school grounds. School grounds include, but are not limited to, school buildings, fields, storage areas, and parking lots.

The Superintendent or designee shall not grant permission to any other individual to carry a firearm or ammunition on school grounds with the exception of peace officers.

Any employee with a Carry Concealed Weapon (CCW) license is required to disclose directly to the Superintendent.

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
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35160 Powers and duties of the board
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16150 Definition of ammunition
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Management Resources:

WEB SITES

Office of the Attorney General: <https://oag.ca.gov/firearms>

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Emergencies And Disaster Preparedness Plan

BP 3516

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that all district staff and students must be prepared to respond quickly and responsibly to emergencies, disasters, and threats of disaster.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain a disaster preparedness plan which details provisions for handling emergencies and disasters and which shall be included in the district's comprehensive school safety plan. (Education Code 32282)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)

The Superintendent or designee shall also develop and maintain emergency plans for each school site.

In developing the district and school emergency plans, the Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with city and county emergency responders, including local public health administrators.

The Superintendent or designee shall use state-approved Standardized Emergency Management System guidelines and the National Incident Command System when updating district and site-level emergency and disaster preparedness plans.

The Board shall grant the use of school buildings, grounds, and equipment to public agencies, including the American Red Cross, for mass care and welfare shelters during disasters or other emergencies affecting the public health and welfare. The Board shall cooperate with such agencies in furnishing and maintaining whatever services they deem necessary to meet the community's needs. (Education Code 32282)

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

School employees are considered disaster service workers and are subject to disaster service activities assigned to them. (Government Code 3100)

(cf. 4112.3/4212.3/4312.3 - Oath or Affirmation)

(cf. 4119.3/4219.3/4319.3 - Duties of Personnel)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32001 Fire alarms and drills
32040 Duty to equip school with first aid kit
32280-32289 School safety plans
32290 Safety devices
39834 Operating overloaded bus
46390-46392 Emergency average daily attendance in case of disaster
49505 Natural disaster; meals for homeless students; reimbursement

GOVERNMENT CODE

3100 Public employees as disaster service workers
8607 Standardized emergency management system

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

550 Fire drills
560 Civil defense and disaster preparedness plans

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UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

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California Governor's Office of Emergency Services: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov>

California Seismic Safety Commission: <http://www.seismic.ca.gov>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

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http://www.cccoe.k12.ca.us/about/flu/resources_flu_action_kit

Federal Emergency Management Agency: <http://www.fema.gov>

U.S. Department of Education, Emergency Planning:

<http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security: <http://www.dhs.gov>

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Administrative Regulation

Emergencies And Disaster Preparedness Plan

AR 3516

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Components of the Plan

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that district and school site plans address, at a minimum, the following types of emergencies and disasters:

1. Fire on or off school grounds which endangers students and staff
(cf. 3516.1 - Fire Drills and Fires)
2. Earthquake or other natural disasters
(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)
3. Environmental hazards
(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)
4. Attack or disturbance, or threat of attack or disturbance, by an individual or group
(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
(cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)
5. Bomb threat or actual detonation
(cf. 3516.2 - Bomb Threats)
6. Biological, radiological, chemical, and other activities, or heightened warning of such activities
7. Medical emergencies and quarantines, such as a pandemic influenza outbreak
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's procedures include strategies and actions for prevention/mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Regular inspection of school facilities and equipment and identification of risks

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

2. Instruction and practice for students and employees regarding emergency plans, including:

- a. Training of staff in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- b. Regular practice of emergency procedures by students and staff

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

3. Specific determination of roles and responsibilities of staff during a disaster or other emergency, including determination of:

- a. The appropriate chain of command at the district and, if communication between the district and site is not possible, at each site
- b. Individuals responsible for specific duties
- c. Designation of the principal for the overall control and supervision of activities at each school during the emergency, including authorization to use his/her discretion in situations which do not permit execution of prearranged plans
- d. Identification of at least one person at each site who holds a valid certificate in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- e. Assignment of responsibility for identification of injured persons and administration of first aid

4. Personal safety and security, including:

- a. Identification of areas of responsibility for supervision of students
- b. Procedures for evacuation of students and staff, including posting of evacuation routes
- c. Procedures for release of students, including a procedure to release students when reference to the emergency card is not feasible

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)

- d. Identification of transportation needs, including a plan which allows bus seating capacity limits to be exceeded when a disaster or hazard requires students to be moved immediately to ensure their safety

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

- e. Provision of a first aid kit to each classroom
- f. Arrangements for students and staff with special needs

(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

- g. Upon notification that a pandemic situation exists, adjustment of attendance policies for students and sick leave policies for staff with known or suspected pandemic influenza or other infectious disease

(cf. 4161.1/4361.1 - Personal Illness/ Injury Leave)
(cf. 4261.1 - Personal Illness/Injury Leave)
(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 6183 - Home and Hospital Instruction)

5. Closure of schools, including an analysis of:

- a. The impact on student learning and methods to ensure continuity of instruction
- b. How to provide for continuity of operations for essential central office functions, such as payroll and ongoing communication with students and parents/guardians

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

6. Communication among staff, parents/guardians, the Governing Board, other governmental agencies, and the media during an emergency, including:

- a. Identification of spokesperson(s)

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

- b. Development and testing of communication platforms, such as hotlines, telephone trees, and web sites

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

- c. Development of methods to ensure that communications are, to the extent practicable, in a language and format that is easy for parents/guardians to understand
 - d. Distribution of information about district and school site emergency procedures to staff, students, and parents/guardians
7. Cooperation with other state and local agencies, including:
- a. Development of guidelines for law enforcement involvement and intervention
 - b. Collaboration with the local health department, including development of a tracking system to alert the local health department to a substantial increase of student or staff absenteeism as indicative of a potential outbreak of an infectious disease

(cf. 1400 - Relations between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

8. Steps to be taken after the disaster or emergency, including:
- a. Inspection of school facilities
 - b. Provision of mental health services for students and staff, as needed

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Fire Drills and Fires

AR 3516.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Fire Drills

The principal shall cause the fire alarm signal to be sounded at least once every month.
(Education Code 32001)

The principal shall also hold fire drills at least once a month at the elementary level, four times every school year at the intermediate level, and not less than twice every school year at the secondary level. (Education Code 32001)

1. The principal shall notify staff as to the schedule for fire drills.
2. Whenever a fire drill is held, all students, teachers and other employees shall be directed to leave the building. (5 CCR 550)
3. Teachers shall ascertain that no student remains in the building.
4. Teachers shall be prepared to select alternate exits and shall direct their classes to these exits whenever the designated escape route is blocked.
5. The principal or designee shall keep a record of each fire drill conducted and file a copy of this record with the office of the Superintendent or designee.

Fires

When a fire is discovered in any part of the school, the following actions shall be taken:

1. The principal or designee shall sound fire signals, unless the school and/or building is equipped with an automatic fire detection and alarm system. (Education Code 32001)
2. The principal or designee shall call 911.
3. All persons shall be directed to leave the building and shall proceed outside to designated assembly areas.
4. Staff shall give students clear direction and supervision and help maintain a calm and orderly response.

5. In outside assembly areas, teachers shall take roll, report missing students, and provide assistance to any injured students.
6. In outside assembly areas, the principal, designee and/or each department head shall account for their staff, report missing staff, and provide assistance to any injured staff.
7. If the fire is extensive, students shall be taken to an alternate location for protective custody until parents/guardians can pick them up or until they can be safely transported to their homes.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17074.50-17074.56 Automatic fire detection, alarm and sprinkler systems

32001 Uniform fire signals

32040 Duty to equip school with first aid kit

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

550 Fire drills

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Administrative Regulation

Bomb Threats

AR 3516.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

To maintain a safe and secure environment for district students and staff, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's emergency and disaster preparedness plan and/or each school's comprehensive safety plan includes procedures for dealing with bomb threats. He/she also shall provide training regarding the procedures to site administrators, safety personnel, and staff members who customarily handle mail, telephone calls, or email.

- (cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
- (cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
- (cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
- (cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
- (cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
- (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Receiving Threats

Any staff member receiving a telephoned bomb threat shall try to keep the caller on the line in order to gather information about the location and timing of the bomb and the person(s) responsible. To the extent possible, the staff member should also take note of the caller's gender, age, any distinctive features of voice or speech, and any background noises such as music, traffic, machinery, or voices.

If the bomb threat is received through the mail system or in writing, the staff member who receives it should handle the letter, note, or package as minimally as possible. If the threat is received through electronic means, such as email or text messaging, the staff member should not delete the message.

Response Procedure

The following procedure shall be followed when a bomb threat is received:

1. Any employee who receives a bomb threat shall immediately call 911 and also report the threat to the Superintendent or designee. If the threat is in writing, the employee shall place the message in an envelope and take note of where and by whom it was found.
2. Any student or employee who sees a suspicious package shall promptly notify the

Superintendent or designee.

3. The Superintendent or designee shall immediately use fire drill signals and initiate standard evacuation procedures as specified in the emergency plan.

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 3516.1 - Fire Drills and Fires)

4. The Superintendent or designee shall turn off any two-way radio equipment which is located in a threatened building.

Law enforcement and/or fire department staff shall conduct the bomb search. No school staff shall search for or handle any explosive or incendiary device.

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

No one shall reenter the threatened building(s) until the Superintendent or designee declares that reentry is safe based on law enforcement and/or fire department clearance.

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

To the extent possible, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain communications with staff, parents/guardians, the Governing Board, other governmental agencies, and the media during the period of the incident.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

Following the incident, the Superintendent or designee shall provide crisis counseling for students and/or staff as needed.

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

Any employee or student found to have made a bomb threat shall be subject to disciplinary procedures and/or criminal prosecution.

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct

48900 Grounds for suspension or expulsion

51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

PENAL CODE

17 Felony, misdemeanor, classification of offenses

148.1 False report of explosive or facsimile bomb

245 Assault with deadly weapon or force likely to produce great bodily injury; punishment

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

911: A Manual for Schools and the Media During a Campus Crisis, 2001

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY PUBLICATIONS

Bomb Threat Checklist

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education, Safe Schools: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security: <http://www.dhs.gov>

U.S. Department of Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives:
<http://www.THREATPLAN.org>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Earthquake Emergency Procedure System

AR 3516.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Earthquake Preparedness

Earthquake emergency procedures shall be established in every school building having an occupant capacity of 50 or more students, or more than one classroom, and shall be incorporated into the comprehensive safety plan. (Education Code 32282)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Earthquake emergency procedures shall be aligned with the Standardized Emergency Management System and the National Incident Management System. (Government Code 8607; 19 CCR 2400-2450)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

The Superintendent or designee may work with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the Seismic Safety Commission to develop and establish the earthquake emergency procedures. (Education Code 32282)

Earthquake emergency procedures shall outline the roles and responsibilities of students and staff during and after an earthquake.

Earthquake emergency procedures shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following: (Education Code 32282)

1. A school building disaster plan, ready for implementation at any time, for maintaining the safety and care of students and staff
2. A drop procedure whereby each student and staff member takes cover under a table or desk, dropping to his/her knees, with the head protected by the arms and the back to the windows

Drop procedures shall be practiced at least once each school quarter in elementary schools and at least once each semester in secondary schools.

3. Protective measures to be taken before, during, and following an earthquake

4. A program to ensure that students and staff are aware of and properly trained in the earthquake emergency procedure system

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Staff and students shall be informed of the dangers to expect in an earthquake and procedures to be followed. Students shall be instructed to remain silent and follow directions given by staff in such an emergency. Staff and students also shall be taught safety precautions to take if they are in the open or on the way to or from school when an earthquake occurs.

Earthquake emergency procedures shall designate primary and alternative locations outside of buildings, which may include areas off campus if necessary, where individuals on a school site will assemble following evacuation. In designating such areas, the Superintendent or designee shall consider potential post-earthquake hazards outside school buildings including, but not limited to, power lines, trees, covered walkways, chain link fences that may be an electric shock hazard, and areas near buildings that may have debris.

Earthquake emergency procedures also shall outline primary and alternative evacuation routes that avoid areas with potential hazards to the extent possible. The needs of students with disabilities shall be considered when planning evacuation routes.

The Superintendent or designee shall consider the danger of a post-earthquake tsunami when developing evacuation routes and locations, including the need to evacuate to higher ground.

The Superintendent or designee shall identify at least one individual within each building to determine if an evacuation is necessary, the best evacuation location, and the best route to that location when an earthquake occurs.

The Superintendent or designee shall identify potential earthquake hazards in classrooms and other district facilities, including, but not limited to, areas where the main gas supply or electric current enters the building, suspended ceilings, pendant light fixtures, large windows, stairwells, science laboratories, storage areas for hazardous materials, shop areas, and unsecured furniture and equipment. To the extent possible, dangers presented by such potential hazards shall be minimized by securing equipment and furnishings and removing heavy objects from high shelves.

Earthquake While Indoors at School

When an earthquake occurs, the following actions shall be taken inside buildings and classrooms:

1. Staff shall have students perform the drop procedure. Students should stay in the drop position until the emergency is over or until further instructions are given.

2. In laboratories, burners should be extinguished, if possible, before taking cover.
3. As soon as possible, staff shall move students away from windows, shelves, and heavy objects or furniture that may fall.
4. After the earthquake, the principal or designee shall determine whether planned evacuation routes and assembly locations are safe and shall communicate with teachers and other staff.
5. When directed by the principal or designee to evacuate, or if classrooms or other facilities present dangerous hazards that require immediate evacuation, staff shall account for all students under their supervision and shall evacuate the building in an orderly manner.

Earthquake While Outdoors on School Grounds

When an earthquake occurs, the following actions shall be taken by staff or other persons in authority who are outdoors on school grounds:

1. Staff shall direct students to walk away from buildings, trees, overhead power lines, power poles, or exposed wires.
2. Staff shall have students perform the drop procedure.
3. Staff shall have students stay in the open until the earthquake is over or until further directions are given.

Earthquake While on the Bus

If students are on the school bus when an earthquake occurs, the bus driver shall take proper precautions to ensure student safety, which may include pulling over to the side of the road or driving to a location away from outside hazards, if possible. Following the earthquake, the driver shall contact the Superintendent or designee for instructions before proceeding on the route or, if such contact is not possible, drive to an evacuation or assembly location.

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

Subsequent Emergency Procedures

After an earthquake episode has subsided, the following actions shall be taken:

1. Staff shall extinguish small fires if safe.
2. Staff shall provide first aid to any injured students, take roll, and report missing students to the principal or designee.
3. Staff and students shall refrain from lighting any stoves or burners or operating any

electrical switches until the area is declared safe.

4. All buildings shall be inspected for water and gas leaks, electrical breakages, and large cracks or earth slippage affecting buildings.
5. The principal or designee shall post staff at safe distances from all building entrances and instruct staff and students to remain outside the buildings until they are declared safe.
6. The principal or designee shall request assistance as needed from the county or city civil defense office, fire and police departments, city and county building inspectors, and utility companies and shall confer with them regarding the advisability of closing the school.
7. The principal or designee shall contact the Superintendent or designee and request further instructions after assessing the earthquake damage.
8. The Superintendent or designee shall provide updates to parents/guardians of district students and members of the community about the incident, any safety issues, and follow-up directions.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32280-32289 School safety plans

GOVERNMENT CODE

3100 Public employees as disaster service workers

8607 Standardized Emergency Management System

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 19

2400-2450 Standardized Emergency Management System

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PUBLICATIONS

The ABCs of Post-Earthquake Evacuation: A Checklist for School Administrators and Faculty
Guide and Checklist for Nonstructural Earthquake Hazards in California Schools, January 2003

School Emergency Response: Using SEMS at Districts and Sites, June 1998

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY PUBLICATIONS

Guidebook for Developing a School Earthquake Safety Program, 1990

WEB SITES

American Red Cross: <http://www.redcross.org>

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov>

California Seismic Safety Commission: <http://www.seismic.ca.gov>

Federal Emergency Management Agency: <http://www.fema.gov/hazards/earthquakes>

National Incident Management System: <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims>

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Board Policy

Emergency Schedules

BP 3516.5

Business and Noninstructional Operations

In order to provide for the safety of students and staff, the Governing Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to close a school site, change the regular school day schedule, or take any necessary action when hazardous environmental or weather conditions or other emergencies warrant.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 4157/4257/4357 - Employee Safety)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

(cf. 6112 - School Day)

When an emergency condition causes a school closure, reduction in attendance, or change in schedule pursuant to Education Code 41422 or 46392, thereby preventing the district from complying with the minimum number of instructional days or minutes required by law, the Superintendent or designee shall complete and submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction the necessary forms for obtaining approval of the days of the closure, reduction in attendance, or change in schedule. The Superintendent or designee shall submit other relevant district records as may be required.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a system for informing students and parents/guardians when school buses are not operating as scheduled, the school day schedule is changed, or the school is closed. The district's notification system shall include, but is not limited to, notifying local television and radio stations, posting on district web site(s), sending email and text messages, and/or making telephone calls.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

Whenever the school day schedule changes after students have arrived at school, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students are supervised in accordance with the procedures specified in the district's emergency and disaster preparedness plan.

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

The Superintendent or designee may provide a means to make up lost instructional time later during the year. Students and parents/guardians shall receive timely advanced notice of any resulting changes in the school calendar or school day schedule.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 41420 Required length of school term
- 41422 Schools not maintained for 175 days
- 46010 Total days of attendance
- 46100-46192 Attendance; maximum credit; minimum day
- 46390 Calculation of ADA in emergency
- 46391 Lost or destroyed ADA records
- 46392 Decreased attendance in emergency situation

VEHICLE CODE

- 34501.6 School buses; reduced visibility

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

90-01 Average Daily Attendance Credit During Periods of Emergency, February 10, 2005

WEB SITES

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Facilities Inspection

BP 3517

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that the condition of school facilities may have an impact on safety, student achievement, and employee morale and desires to provide school facilities that are safe, clean, and functional, as defined in Education Code 17002.

(cf. 0510 - School Accountability Report Card)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a facilities inspection and maintenance program to ensure that school facilities are maintained in good repair in accordance with law. At a minimum, the program shall analyze those facility conditions specified on the facilities inspection tool developed by the Office of Public School Construction, including the following:

1. **Gas Leaks:** Gas systems and pipes appear safe, functional, and free of leaks.
2. **Mechanical Systems:** Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems as applicable are functional and unobstructed.
3. **Windows/Doors/Gates/Fences (interior and exterior):** Conditions that pose a safety and/or security risk are not evident.
4. **Interior Surfaces (floors, ceilings, walls, and window casings):** Interior surfaces appear to be clean, safe, and functional.
5. **Hazardous Materials (interior and exterior):** There does not appear to be evidence of hazardous materials that may pose a threat to students or staff.
6. **Structural Damage:** There does not appear to be structural damage that could create hazardous or uninhabitable conditions.
7. **Fire Safety:** The fire equipment and emergency systems appear to be functioning properly.
8. **Electrical (interior and exterior):** There is no evidence that any portion of the school has a power failure and electrical systems, components, and equipment appear to be working properly.

9. Pest/Vermin Infestation: Pest or vermin infestation is not evident.
10. Drinking Fountains (inside and outside): Drinking fountains appear to be accessible and functioning as intended.
11. Restrooms: Restrooms appear to be accessible during school hours, are clean, functional, and in compliance with Education Code 35292.5 (operational and supplied).
12. Sewers: Sewer line stoppage is not evident.
13. Roofs (observed from the ground, inside/outside the building): Roof system appears to be functioning properly.
14. Playground/School Grounds: The playground equipment and school grounds appear to be clean, safe, and functional.
15. Overall Cleanliness: School grounds, buildings, common areas, and individual rooms appear to be cleaned regularly.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any necessary repairs identified during the inspection are made in a timely and expeditious manner. The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board with regular reports regarding the district's facility inspection program and updates of any visits to district schools by the County Superintendent of Schools.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1240 County superintendent of schools, duties

17002 Definitions

17070.10-17077.10 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998

17565-17591 Property maintenance and control, especially:

17592.72 Urgent or emergency repairs, School Facility Emergency Repair Account

33126 School accountability report card

35186 Williams uniform complaint procedure

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

1859.300-1859.330 Emergency Repair Program

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Williams Settlement and the Emergency Repair Program, Policy Brief, January 2008

COALITION OF ADEQUATE SCHOOL HOUSING PUBLICATIONS

Facility Inspection Tool Guidebook, February 2008

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California County Superintendents Educational Services Association: <http://www.ccsesa.org>

California Department of Education, Williams Case: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/ce/wc/index.asp>

Coalition of Adequate School Housing: <http://www.cashnet.org>

State Allocation Board, Office of Public School Construction: <http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Risk Management/Insurance

BP 3530

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board strongly supports a risk management program that protects district resources and promotes the safety of students, staff and the public.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a risk management program that uses effective safety and loss control practices. The district shall strive to keep its liability at a minimum and its insurance premiums as low as possible while maintaining adequate protection. To determine the most economical means of insuring the district consistent with required services, the Superintendent or designee shall annually review the district's options for obtaining coverage, including qualified insurance agents, a joint powers agency, self-insurance or a combination of these means.

The Board reserves the right to remove an insurance agent-of-record or a participating agent whenever, in the judgment of the Board, such action becomes desirable for the best interests of the district.

To attempt to minimize the district's exposure to liability, the Board shall adopt clear policies related to discrimination, harassment, safety procedures, and the timely handling of claims. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that these policies and related procedures are enforced fairly and consistently.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11- Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 4132/4232/4332- Publication or Creation of Materials)

(cf. 4157.1/4257.1/4357.1 - Work-Related Injuries)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358- Employee Security)

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)

(cf. 9260 - Legal Protection)

The Superintendent or designee shall report to the Board twice a year on the district's risk

management activities.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17029.5 Contract funding; board liability

17565-17592 Board duties re property maintenance and control

32350 Liability on equipment loaned to district

35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property

35200-35214 Liabilities, especially:

35208 Liability insurance

35211 Driver training civil liability insurance

35213 Reimbursement for loss, destruction or damage of personal property

35214 Liability self-insurance

35331 Medical or hospital service for students on field trip

39837 Transportation of pupils to places of summer employment

41021 Requirement for employees' indemnity bonds

44873 Qualifications for physician (liability coverage)

49470-49474 District medical services and insurance

GOVERNMENT CODE

820.9 Board members not vicariously liable for injuries caused by district

989-991.2 Local public entity insurance

LABOR CODE

3200-4855 Workers' compensation

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Risk Management/Insurance

AR 3530

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Risk Management

The Superintendent or designee shall take action to:

1. Identify the risks inherent in the operation of district programs
2. Assess the above risks and keep records of accidents, losses and damage
3. Mitigate risks through loss control and safety-related activities
4. Determine the extent to which risks should be assumed by the district or covered by the purchase of insurance or pooling with other districts

Employees are expected to take reasonable precautions for the care and safety of the school equipment with which they have been entrusted. Employees may be held responsible for recurring damage or losses that occur due to their negligence or lack of supervision. Responsibilities related to safety and loss control shall be included in employee job descriptions.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3430 - Investing)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

(cf. 3512 - Equipment)

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)

(cf. 3515 - School Safety and Security)

(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

(cf. 4112.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers)

(cf. 4119.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)

(cf. 4157/4257/4357- Employee Safety)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5131.61 - Drug Testing)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5141.23 - Infectious Disease Prevention)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)
(cf. 9260 - Legal Protection)

Insurance

Insurance coverage shall include, but may not be limited to:

1. Liability insurance (Education Code 35200-35214)
2. Fire insurance for buildings, equipment and vehicles (Education Code 17565)
3. Workers' compensation insurance (Labor Code 3700)
4. Fidelity bond insurance (Education Code 41021)

A suitable bond indemnifying the district against loss shall be purchased for employees responsible for handling district funds and may be purchased for employees responsible for handling district property. The district shall bear the cost of this bonding. (Education Code 41021)

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)
(cf. 4154 - Health and Welfare Benefits)
(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)
(cf. 4157.1/4257.1/4357.1- Work-Related Injuries)
(cf. 5143 - Insurance)
(cf. 9260 - Legal Protection)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Transportation

BP 3540

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board desires to provide for the safe and efficient transportation of students to and from school as necessary to ensure student access to the educational program, promote regular attendance and reduce tardiness. The extent to which the district provides for transportation services shall depend upon student and community needs and a continuing assessment of financial resources.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)

(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Agreements)

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend to the Board the most economical and appropriate means of providing transportation services.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to promote safety for students traveling on school buses.

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure the qualifications of bus drivers and related staff employed by the district, provide for the maintenance and operation of district-owned school buses and other equipment, and ensure adequate facilities for equipment storage and maintenance.

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE

35330 Excursions and field trips
35350 Authority to transport pupils
39800-39860 Transportation, especially:
39800 Powers of governing board to provide transportation for pupils to and from school;
definition of "municipally owned transit system"
39801 Contract with County Superintendent of Schools to provide transportation
39802-39803 Bids and contracts for transportation services
39806 Payments to parents in lieu of transportation
39807 Food and lodging payments in lieu of transportation
39807.5 Transportation fees
39808 District transportation of private school students
41850-41854 Allowances for transportation
41860-41862 Supplemental allowances for transportation
45125.1 Criminal background checks for contractors

GOVERNMENT CODE

3540-3549.3 Educational Employment Relations Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14100-14103 Use of school buses and school pupil activity buses

15240-15343 Allowances for student transportation, especially:

15253-15272 District records related to transportation

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2807 School bus inspection

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Administrative Regulation

Transportation

AR 3540

Business and Noninstructional Operations

No student shall be required to be transported for any reason without the written permission of the student's parent/guardian, except in emergency situations involving illness or injury to the student. (Education Code 35350)

Means of Transportation

To provide transportation services, the Governing Board may purchase, rent or lease vehicles; contract with a common carrier or municipally owned transit system; contract with responsible private parties including the parent/guardian of the student being transported; and/or contract with the County Superintendent of Schools. (Education Code 35330, 39800, 39801)

In contracting for transportation services, the district shall comply with all applicable laws related to bids and contracts. (Education Code 39802-39803)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

In lieu of providing transportation in whole or in part, the district may pay the student's parents/guardians either their actual and necessary expenses in transporting the student or the cost of the student's food and lodging at a place convenient to the school. In either case, the amount of the payment shall not exceed the cost that would be incurred by the district to provide for the transportation of the student to and from school. (Education Code 39806-39807)

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Administrative Regulation

Transportation Routes And Services

AR 3541

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Routes and Bus Stops

The Superintendent or designee shall design transportation routes and stops to promote the safety of students and maximum efficiency in the use of buses.

Students shall be eligible for transportation service to and from school if the distance between their school-established bus stop and the school is beyond the minimum listed below:

1. For elementary school students:

Grades K - 6: three-fourths mile

Grades 7 - 8: one and a half miles

2. For students attending a four-year high school:

Grades 9-12: two miles

The Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation within the walking distance when safety problems or hazards exist.

Students who attend a school outside their attendance area may be eligible for transportation services in accordance with Board policy.

(cf. 5116.1- Intradistrict Open Enrollment)

(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Agreements)

The Superintendent or designee shall communicate in writing to parents/guardians regarding bus routes, schedules and stops and/or shall arrange for local media to publish such information.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

Transportation Services

With the Governing Board's authorization, transportation services may be provided or arranged by the district for:

1. Students traveling to and from school during the regular school day (Education Code

39800)

2. Field trips and excursions (Education Code 35330)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

3. School activities, expositions or fairs, or other activities determined to be for the benefit of students (Education Code 39860)

4. District employees and parents/guardians traveling to and from educational activities authorized by the district (Education Code 39837.5)

5. Preschool or nursery school students (Education Code 39800)

6. Students traveling to full-time occupational classes provided by a Regional Occupational Program or Center (Education Code 39807.5, 41850)

7. Students traveling to and from their places of employment during the summer in connection with a summer employment program for youth (Education Code 39837)

8. Matriculated or enrolled adults traveling to and from school, or adults for educational purposes other than to and from school (Education Code 39801.5)

9. Private school students, in the same manner and on the same routes provided for district students (Education Code 39808)

10. Nonschool purposes as allowed by law, such as:

a. Community recreation (Education Code 39835)

b. Public transportation (Education Code 39841)

c. Transportation of government employees to and from their places of employment (Education Code 39840)

The district shall provide home-to-school transportation and additional transportation services as needed for students with disabilities as specified in their individualized education programs. (Education Code 41850; 20 USC 1400-1482; 34 CFR 104.4)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide transportation to homeless children in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

Legal Reference:

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35330 Excursions and field trips
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39800 Powers of governing board to provide transportation to and from school
39801.5 Transportation for adults
39808 Transportation for private school students
39830-39842 School buses, especially:
39835 Use of school buses for community recreation
39837 Transportation to summer employment program
39837.5 Transportation of employees and parents/guardians to school activities
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41850-41856 Allowances for transportation
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Transportation For School-Related Trips

AR 3541.1

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The district may provide transportation for students, employees, and other individuals for field trips and other school-related trips approved according to Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3312.2 - Educational Travel Program Contracts)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

The Superintendent or designee shall determine the most appropriate and cost-effective mode of transportation for each approved trip. He/she may authorize the use of district vehicles, contract to provide transportation, or arrange transportation by the use of other vehicles.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district or contractor has sufficient liability insurance for transportation on school-related trips.

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

When district transportation is provided, students may be released from using district transportation only with the advance written permission of their parents/guardians.

School-related organizations requesting transportation shall be fully responsible for the costs of their trips unless funding has been approved by the Governing Board.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)

Transportation by Private Vehicle

The Superintendent or designee may authorize the transportation of students by private vehicle when the vehicle is driven by an adult age 21 or older who possesses a valid California driver's license or, if he/she is a nonresident on active military duty in California, possesses a valid license from his/her state of residence. To be approved, a driver shall have a good driving record and possess at least the minimum insurance required by law. Any person providing transportation to district students in a private vehicle shall register with the district for such purposes.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

Drivers shall receive safety and emergency instructions which shall be kept in their vehicle.

All student passengers shall submit permission slips signed by their parents/guardians. Teachers

shall ensure that each driver has a copy of the permission slip for each student riding in his/her vehicle.

The number of passengers, including the driver, shall not exceed the capacity for which the vehicle was designed. Trucks may not transport more persons than can safely sit in the passenger compartment. The driver shall ensure that the manufacturer's recommendations for his/her vehicle are followed regarding the seating of children in seats equipped with airbags.

The driver or any other person shall not smoke or have in his/her immediate possession a lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette containing tobacco or any other plant when there is a minor in the motor vehicle, whether the motor vehicle is in motion or at rest. (Health and Safety Code 118948)

Passenger Restraint Systems

All drivers shall wear safety belts and shall ensure that all passengers are properly secured in seat belts or child passenger restraint systems in accordance with law. (Vehicle Code 27315, 27360, 27360.5, 27363)

A child who is under age 8 years shall be properly secured in a rear seat in an appropriate child passenger restraint system meeting federal safety standards, except under any of the following circumstances: (Vehicle Code 27360, 27363)

1. The child is four feet nine inches or taller, in which case a safety belt may be used.
2. Use of a child passenger restraint system would be impractical by reason of physical unfitness, medical condition, or size and an appropriate special needs child passenger restraint system is not available.
3. There is no rear seat, the rear seats are side-facing jump seats or rear-facing seats, the child passenger restraint system cannot be installed properly in the rear seat, all rear seats are already occupied by children under age 8 years, or medical reasons necessitate that the child not ride in the rear seat.
4. The child is otherwise exempted by law.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35330 Excursions and field trips

35332 Transportation by air

39830 School bus

39830.1 School pupil activity bus

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44808 Liability when students not on school property

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118947-118949 Prohibition against smoking in motor vehicle with minor

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5384.2 District not liable for charter-party carrier

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12814.6 Limitations of provisional driver's license

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Transportation For Students With Disabilities

BP 3541.2

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board desires to meet the transportation needs of students with disabilities to enable them to benefit from special education and related services. The district shall provide appropriate transportation services for a student with disabilities when the district is the student's district of residence and the transportation services are required by his/her individualized education program (IEP) or Section 504 accommodation plan.

(cf. 0430 - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

The specific needs of the student shall be the primary consideration when an IEP team is determining the student's transportation needs. Considerations may include, but are not limited to, the student's health needs, travel distances, physical accessibility and safety of streets and sidewalks, accessibility of public transportation systems, midday or other transportation needs, extended-year services, and, as necessary, implementation of a behavioral intervention plan.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide IEP teams with information about district transportation services in order to assist them in making decisions as to the mode, schedule, and location of transportation services that may be available to each student with disabilities. The IEP team may communicate with district transportation staff and/or invite transportation staff to attend IEP team meetings where the student's transportation needs will be discussed.

Transportation services specified in a student's IEP or Section 504 plan shall be provided at no cost to the student or his/her parent/guardian.

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

If a student whose IEP or accommodation plan specifies transportation needs is excluded from school bus transportation for any reason, such as suspension, expulsion, or other reason, the district shall provide alternative transportation at no cost to the student or parent/guardian.
(Education Code 48915.5)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

When contracting with a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency to provide special education services, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the contract includes general administrative and financial agreements related to the provision of transportation services if specified in the student's IEP. (Education Code 56366)

(cf. 6159.2 - Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education)

The Superintendent or designee shall arrange transportation schedules so that students with disabilities do not spend an excessive amount of time on buses compared to other students. Arrivals and departures shall not reduce the length of the school day for these students except as may be prescribed on an individual basis.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any mobile seating devices used on district buses are compatible with bus securement systems required by 49 CFR 571.222. (Education Code 56195.8)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

As necessary, a student with disabilities may be accompanied on school transportation by a service animal, as defined in 28 CFR 35.104, including a specially trained guide dog, signal dog, or service dog. (Education Code 39839; Civil Code 54.1-54.2; 28 CFR 35.136)

(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)

When transportation is not specifically required by the IEP or Section 504 plan of a student with disabilities, the student shall be subject to the rules and policies regarding regular transportation offerings within the district.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

39807.5 Payment of transportation cost

39839 Guide dogs, signal dogs, and service dogs on bus

41850-41854 Allowances for transportation

48300-48315 Alternative interdistrict attendance program

48915.5 Expulsion of students with exceptional needs

56040 No cost for special education and related services

56195.8 Adoption of policies

56327 Assessment for special education and related services

56345 Individualized education program

56365-56366.1 Nonpublic nonsectarian schools or agencies

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54.1-54.2 Service animals
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15243 Physically handicapped minors
15271 Exclusion from report
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1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
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35.104 Definitions
35.136 Service animals
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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

School Bus Drivers

AR 3542

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Qualifications

All drivers employed to operate school buses or student activity buses shall possess, and shall retain in their immediate possession while operating the bus, the following documents: (Vehicle Code 12517, 12517.4)

1. A valid driver's license issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) for the appropriate class of vehicle to be driven and endorsed for school bus and/or passenger transportation
2. A certificate issued by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) which permits the operation of school buses or student activity buses, as applicable

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 4200 - Classified Personnel)

(cf. 4111/4211/4311 - Recruitment and Selection)

The Superintendent or designee may use an electronic fingerprinting system, managed by the California Department of Justice, to fingerprint an applicant for an initial certificate to drive a school bus or student activity bus. (Vehicle Code 12517.3)

(cf. 4112.5/4212.5/4312.5 - Criminal Record Check)

When initially applying for or renewing a license or certificate to drive a school bus or student activity bus, and annually upon reaching age 65 years, the driver shall submit to the DMV and to the Superintendent or designee a report of a medical examination conducted in accordance with the timelines and procedures specified in Vehicle Code 12517.2. (Vehicle Code 12517.2; 13 CCR 1234)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify each driver of the expiration date of his/her driver's license, certificate, and medical certificate and shall ensure each document is renewed prior to expiration. (13 CCR 1234)

(4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

School bus and student activity bus drivers shall be subject to drug and alcohol testing in accordance with Board policy and the requirements of federal law.

(cf. 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the DMV within five days whenever any driver refuses, fails to comply, or receives a positive test result on a drug or alcohol test; is dismissed for a cause related to student transportation safety; or is reinstated after being dismissed for a cause related to student transportation safety. (Vehicle Code 1808.8, 13376)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

Training

In addition to any other training required to obtain or renew the certificate authorizing operation of a school bus or student activity bus, drivers shall receive training which includes, but is not limited to:

1. First aid practices deemed necessary for school bus drivers, through a course of instruction that prepares drivers to pass the related DMV examination (Vehicle Code 12522)
2. The proper installation of mobile seating devices in the bus securement systems (Education Code 56195.8)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

3. The proper actions to be taken in the event that a school bus is hijacked (Education Code 39831)

To determine any other needs for professional development, the Superintendent or designee shall periodically review accident reports involving district drivers and may seek input from drivers, district and school administrators, students, and/or other stakeholders on desired topics for professional development.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Authority

Students transported in a school bus or student activity bus shall be under the authority of, and responsible directly to, the driver of the bus. The driver shall be held responsible for the orderly conduct of the students while they are on the bus or being escorted across a street, highway, or road. (5 CCR 14103)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

The driver shall have the authority to discontinue the operation of a school bus or student activity bus whenever he/she determines that it is unsafe to continue.

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)
(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

This regulation and AR 5131.1 - Bus Conduct shall be made available to parents/guardians, students, teachers, and other interested parties. (5 CCR 14103)

Responsibilities

The driver's primary responsibility is to safely transport students to and from school and school activities. He/she shall follow procedures contained in district plans and regulations pertaining to transportation safety.

The driver shall stop to load or unload students only at school bus stops designated by the Superintendent or designee, or authorized by the Superintendent or designee for school activity trips. (Vehicle Code 22112)

(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)

The driver shall activate the amber warning light system, flashing red signal lights, and stop arm signal and shall escort students in accordance with Vehicle Code 22112.

The driver shall not require any student to leave the bus en route between home and school or other destinations. (5 CCR 14103)

The driver shall not drive a school bus or student activity bus while using a wireless telephone or using a wireless communications device for text-based communication, except when otherwise authorized by law and AR 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies.

The driver shall report the following to the Superintendent or designee:

1. The condition of the bus at the completion of each work day (13 CCR 1215)
2. His/her duty status for each 24-hour period, including, but not limited to, the number of hours on and off duty (13 CCR 1213)
3. Any traffic accident involving the bus (13 CCR 1219)

In addition to notifying the Superintendent or designee, the driver shall immediately notify the CHP of any traffic accident and, if the bus is operated under contract, his/her employer. (13 CCR 1219)

4. Traffic violations
5. Consistently late school dismissals which cause transportation delays
6. Overload runs
7. Recurring and serious student misbehavior
8. Parent/guardian and student complaints

Vehicle Idling

The driver of a school bus or student activity bus shall: (13 CCR 2480)

1. Turn off the bus engine upon stopping at a school or within 100 feet of a school and not restart the engine more than 30 seconds before beginning to depart

1. Not cause or allow the bus to idle at any location greater than 100 feet from a school for more than five consecutive minutes or for an aggregated period of more than five minutes in any one hour

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)

However, vehicle idling may be allowed under limited conditions, including, but not limited to, occasions when idling is necessary to: (13 CCR 2480)

1. Stop for an official traffic control signal or device, for traffic conditions under which the driver has no control, or at the direction of law enforcement
2. Ascertain that the bus is in safe operating condition and properly equipped
3. Operate equipment designed to safely load, unload, or transport students with disabilities
4. Operate a heater, air conditioner, defroster, or other equipment as necessary to ensure the safety or health of passengers
5. Cool down a turbo-charged diesel engine before turning off the engine
6. Recharge a battery or other energy storage unit of a hybrid electric bus or vehicle

The Superintendent or designee shall notify all drivers, upon employment and at least once per year thereafter, of the requirements specified above and the potential legal and employment consequences of failure to comply. All complaints of noncompliance shall be reviewed and

remedial action taken as necessary. The Superintendent or designee shall retain records of the training and of any complaints and enforcement actions for at least three years. (13 CCR 2480)

Reports

The Superintendent or designee shall retain records of: (13 CCR 1234)

1. Each driver's duty status and supporting documents provided pursuant to 13 CCR 1201 and 1213. Such records shall be retained for six months and made available to the CHP upon request.
2. The different types of vehicles and vehicle combinations each driver has demonstrated capability to operate.
3. Records of each driver's license, certificate, medical certificate, first aid certificate, and training as specified in 13 CCR 1234.
4. Daily vehicle inspection reports prepared by drivers pursuant to 13 CCR 1215.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Legal Reference:

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HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

39640-39642 Vehicle idling, penalties

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241.3 Assault against school bus driver

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VEHICLE CODE

415 Definition of motor vehicle

545 Definition of school bus

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1808.8 Dismissal for safety-related cause

2570-2574 Contracts with private school bus contractors

12516-12517.4 Certification requirements

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13370-13371 Suspension or revocation of bus driver certificate

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23123-23125 Prohibitions against use of wireless telephone and text communications while driving; exceptions

25257-25257.7 School bus equipment

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14103 Authority of the driver

14104 School bus driver instructor

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1212-1228 School bus driver requirements

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U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:

<http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Transportation Safety And Emergencies

AR 3543

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Each day, prior to driving a school bus, each school bus driver shall inspect the bus to ensure that it is in safe operating condition and equipped as required by law and that all equipment is in good working order. At the completion of each day's work, the driver shall prepare and sign a written report of the condition of the equipment specified in 13 CCR 1215. The report shall indicate any defect or deficiency discovered by or reported to the driver which would affect safe operation or result in mechanical breakdown of the bus or, if no defect or deficiency was discovered or reported, shall so indicate. Any defect or deficiency that would affect safe operation shall be repaired prior to operating the bus. (13 CCR 1215)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

Passenger Restraint Systems

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any school bus or student activity bus which is purchased or leased by the district is equipped with a combination pelvic and upper torso passenger restraint system at all designated seating positions if that bus: (Vehicle Code 27316, 27316.5; 13 CCR 1201)

1. Is a Type 1 school bus manufactured on or after July 1, 2005 which is designed for carrying more than 16 passengers and the driver
2. Is a Type 2 school bus or student activity bus manufactured on or after July 1, 2004 which meets one of the following criteria:
 - a. Is designed for carrying 16 or fewer passengers and the driver
 - b. Has a manufacturer's vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less and is designed for carrying not more than 20 passengers and the driver

The Superintendent or designee shall prioritize the allocation of school buses purchased, leased, or contracted to ensure that elementary students receive first priority for new school buses equipped with passenger restraint systems whenever feasible.

When a school bus or student activity bus is equipped with a passenger restraint system, all passengers shall use the passenger restraint system. (5 CCR 14105)

Bus drivers shall be instructed regarding procedures to enforce the proper use of the passenger restraint system. Students who fail to follow instructions of the bus driver may be subject to discipline, including suspension of riding privileges, in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulations.

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

Fire Extinguishers

Each school bus shall be equipped with at least one fire extinguisher located in the driver's compartment which meets the standards specified in law. In addition, a wheelchair school bus shall have another fire extinguisher placed at the wheelchair loading door or emergency exit. All fire extinguishers shall be regularly inspected and serviced in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Fire Marshal. (Education Code 39838; 13 CCR 1242; 19 CCR 574-575.3)

Electronic Communications Devices

A bus driver is prohibited from driving a school bus or student activity bus while using a wireless telephone or other electronic wireless communications device except for work-related or emergency purposes, including, but not limited to, contacting a law enforcement agency, health care provider, fire department, or other emergency service agency or entity. In any such permitted situation, the driver shall only use a wireless telephone or device that is specifically designed and configured to allow voice-operated and hands-free operation or a function that requires only a single swipe or tap of the driver's finger provided the device is mounted on the windshield, dashboard, or center console of the bus. (Vehicle Code 23123.5, 23125)

Safe Bus Operations

School buses and student activity buses shall not be operated whenever the number of passengers exceeds bus seating capacity, except when necessary in emergency situations which require that individuals be transported immediately to ensure their safety. (Education Code 39834)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

School bus operations shall be limited when atmospheric conditions reduce visibility on the roadway to 200 feet or less during regular home-to-school transportation service. Bus drivers for school activity trips may discontinue bus operation whenever they determine that it is unsafe to continue operation because of reduced visibility. (Vehicle Code 34501.6)

Unauthorized Entry

The Superintendent or designee may place a notice at bus entrances that warns against unauthorized entry. The driver or another school official may order any person to disembark if that person enters a bus without prior authorization. (Education Code 39842; 13 CCR 1256.5)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Transportation Safety Plan for Boarding and Exiting Buses

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a transportation safety plan containing procedures for school personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of students. The plan shall address all of the following: (Education Code 39831.3)

1. Determining if students in grades prekindergarten through 8 require an escort to cross a private road or highway at a bus stop pursuant to Vehicle Code 22112
2. Procedures for all students in grades prekindergarten through 8 to follow as they board and exit the bus at their bus stops
3. Boarding and exiting a school bus at a school or other trip destination
4. Procedures to ensure that a student is not left unattended on a school bus, student activity bus, or youth bus

Such procedures shall include, on or before the beginning of the 2018-19 school year, the installation of a child safety alert system at the interior rear of each bus that requires the driver to either manually contact or scan the device, thereby prompting the driver to inspect the entirety of the interior of the vehicle before exiting. A student activity bus may be exempt from this requirement under the conditions specified in Vehicle Code 28160.

5. Procedures and standards for designating an adult chaperone, other than the driver, to accompany students on a school activity bus

A copy of the plan shall be kept at each school site and made available upon request to the California Highway Patrol (CHP). (Education Code 39831.3)

Parental Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall provide written safety information to the parents/guardians of all students in grades prekindergarten through 6 who have not previously been transported in a district school bus or student activity bus. This information shall be provided upon registration and shall contain: (Education Code 39831.5)

1. A list of school bus stops near each student's home
2. General rules of conduct at school bus loading zones
3. Red light crossing instructions

4. A description of the school bus danger zone
5. Instructions for safely walking to and from school bus stops

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Student Instruction

Students who are transported in a school bus or student activity bus shall receive instruction in school bus emergency procedures and passenger safety as follows: (Education Code 39831.5; 5 CCR 14102)

1. Each year, all students who receive home-to-school transportation in a school bus shall be provided appropriate instruction in safe riding practices and emergency evacuation drills.
2. At least once each school year, all students in grades prekindergarten through 8 who receive home-to-school transportation shall receive safety instruction which includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Proper loading and unloading procedures, including escorting by the driver
 - b. How to safely cross the street, highway, or private road
 - c. In school buses with passenger restraint systems, instruction in the use of such systems as specified in 5 CCR 14105, including, but not limited to, the proper fastening and release of the passenger restraint system, acceptable placement of passenger restraint systems on students, times at which the passenger restraint systems should be fastened and released, and acceptable placement of the passenger restraint systems when not in use
 - d. Proper passenger conduct
 - e. Bus evacuation procedures
 - f. Location of emergency equipment

As part of this instruction, students shall evacuate the school bus through emergency exit doors. Instruction also may include responsibilities of passengers seated next to an emergency exit.

Each time the above instruction is given, the following information shall be documented:

- a. District name
- b. School name and location
- c. Date of instruction

- d. Names of supervising adults
- e. Number of students participating
- f. Grade levels of students
- g. Subjects covered in instruction
- h. Amount of time taken for instruction
- i. Bus driver's name
- j. Bus number
- k. Additional remarks

This documentation shall be kept on file at the district office or the school for one year and shall be available for inspection by the CHP.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

3. Before departing on a school activity trip, all students riding on a school bus or student activity bus shall receive safety instruction which includes, but is not limited to, the location of emergency exits and the location and use of emergency equipment. This instruction also may include responsibilities of passengers seated next to an emergency exit.

Bus Accidents

In the event of a school bus accident, the driver shall immediately notify the CHP and the Superintendent or designee. The driver shall not leave the immediate vicinity of the bus to seek aid unless necessary. (13 CCR 1219)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a report of each accident that occurred on public or private property involving a school bus with students aboard. The report shall contain pertinent details of the accident and shall be retained for 12 months from the date of the accident. If the accident was not investigated by the CHP, the Superintendent or designee shall forward a copy of the report to the local CHP within five work days of the date of the accident. (13 CCR 1234)

The Superintendent or designee shall review all investigations of bus incidents and accidents to develop preventative measures.

(cf. 4112.42/4212.42/4312.42 - Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers)

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National Transportation Safety Board: <http://www.nts.gov>

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<http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES

Cautionary Notice: Government Code 17581.5 relieves districts from the obligation to perform specified mandated activities when the Budget Act does not provide reimbursement during that fiscal year. The Budget Act of 2018 (SB 840, Ch. 29, Statutes of 2018) extends the suspension of these requirements through the 2018-19 fiscal year. As a result, certain provisions of the following administrative regulation related to transportation safety plans and safety instruction for students may be suspended.

Each day, prior to driving a school bus, each school bus driver shall inspect the bus to ensure that it is in safe operating condition and equipped as required by law and that all equipment is in good working order. At the completion of each day's work, the driver shall prepare and sign a written report of the condition of the equipment specified in 13 CCR 1215. The report shall indicate any defect or deficiency discovered by or reported to the driver which would affect safe operation or result in mechanical breakdown of the bus. If no defect or deficiency is discovered or reported, the driver shall so indicate on the report. Any defect or deficiency that would affect safe operation shall be repaired prior to operating the bus. (13 CCR 1215)

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3541.1 - Transportation for School-Related Trips)

(cf. 3542 - School Bus Drivers)

Passenger Restraint Systems

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any school bus or student activity bus which is purchased or leased by the district is equipped with a combination pelvic and upper torso passenger restraint system at all designated seating positions if that bus: (Vehicle Code 27316, 27316.5; 13 CCR 1201)

1. Is a Type 1 school bus designed for carrying more than 16 passengers and the driver, and was manufactured on or after July 1, 2005
2. Is a Type 2 school bus or student activity bus designed for carrying 16 or fewer passengers and the driver, or for carrying 20 or fewer passengers and the driver if the bus has a manufacturer's vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less, and was manufactured on or after July 1, 2004

The Superintendent or designee shall prioritize the allocation of school buses purchased, leased, or contracted to ensure that elementary students receive first priority for new school buses equipped with passenger restraint systems whenever feasible.

When a school bus or student activity bus is equipped with a passenger restraint system, all passengers shall use the passenger restraint system. (5 CCR 14105)

Bus drivers shall be instructed regarding procedures to enforce the proper use of the passenger restraint system. Students who fail to follow instructions of the bus driver may be subject to discipline, including suspension of riding privileges, in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulations.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

Fire Extinguishers

Each school bus shall be equipped with at least one fire extinguisher, located in the driver's compartment, which meets the standards specified in law. In addition, a wheelchair school bus shall have another fire extinguisher placed at the wheelchair loading door or emergency exit. All fire extinguishers shall be regularly inspected and serviced in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Fire Marshal. (Education Code 39838; 13 CCR 1242; 19 CCR 574-575.3)

Child Safety Alert System

In accordance with Vehicle Code 28160, each school bus or student activity bus shall be equipped with an operational child safety alert system at the interior rear of the bus that requires the driver to either manually contact or scan the device, thereby prompting the driver to inspect the entirety of the interior of the vehicle before exiting.

A student activity bus that does not have a child safety alert system may be used only if all of the following apply: (Vehicle Code 28160)

1. The student activity bus is not used exclusively to transport students.
2. When the student activity bus is used to transport students, the students are accompanied by at least one adult chaperone selected by a school official. If an adult chaperone is not a school employee, the chaperone shall meet the requirements for a school volunteer.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)

3. One adult chaperone has a list of every student and adult chaperone, including a school employee, who is on the student activity bus at the time of departure.
4. The driver has reviewed all safety and emergency procedures before the initial departure, and the driver and adult chaperone have signed a form, with the time and date, acknowledging that the safety plan and procedures were reviewed.
5. Immediately before departure from any location, the adult chaperone shall account for each student on the list of students, verify the number of students to the driver, and sign a form indicating that all students are present or accounted for.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)

6. After students have exited a student activity bus, and before driving away, the driver shall check all areas of the bus, including, but not limited to, overhead compartments and bathrooms, to ensure that the bus is vacant.
7. The driver shall sign a form with the time and date verifying that all required procedures have been followed.
8. The information required to be recorded pursuant to items #4, 5, and 7 may be recorded on a single form and shall be retained by the district for a minimum of two years.

Electronic Communications Devices

A bus driver is prohibited from driving a school bus or student activity bus while using a wireless telephone or other electronic wireless communications device except for work-related or emergency purposes, including, but not limited to, contacting a law enforcement agency, health care provider, fire department, or other emergency service agency or entity. In any such permitted situation, the driver shall only use a wireless telephone or device that is specifically designed and configured to allow voice-operated and hands-free operation or a function that requires only a single swipe or tap of the driver's finger provided the device is mounted on the windshield, dashboard, or center console of the bus. (Vehicle Code 23123.5, 23125)

Safe Bus Operations

School buses and student activity buses shall not be operated whenever the number of passengers exceeds bus seating capacity, except when necessary in emergency situations which require that individuals be transported immediately to ensure their safety. (Education Code 39834)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

School bus operations shall be limited when atmospheric conditions reduce visibility on the roadway to 200 feet or less during regular home-to-school transportation service. Bus drivers for school activity trips may discontinue bus operation whenever they determine that it is unsafe to continue operation because of reduced visibility. (Vehicle Code 34501.6)

Unauthorized Entry

The Superintendent or designee may place a notice at bus entrances that warns against unauthorized entry. The driver or another school official may order any person to disembark if that person enters a bus without prior authorization. (Education Code 39842; 13 CCR 1256.5)

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Transportation Safety Plan for Boarding and Exiting Buses

The Superintendent or designee shall develop a transportation safety plan containing procedures for school personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of students. The plan shall address all of the following: (Education Code 39831.3)

1. Determination of whether students in grades prekindergarten through 8 require an escort to cross a private road or highway at a bus stop pursuant to Vehicle Code 22112
2. Procedures for all students in grades prekindergarten through 8 to follow as they board and exit the bus at their bus stops
3. Boarding and exiting a school bus at a school or other trip destination
4. Procedures to ensure that a student is not left unattended on a school bus, student activity bus, or, if applicable, youth bus
5. Procedures and standards for designating an adult chaperone, other than the driver, to accompany students on a school activity bus

A copy of the plan shall be kept at each school site and made available upon request to the California Highway Patrol (CHP). (Education Code 39831.3)

Parental Notifications

The Superintendent or designee shall provide written safety information to the parents/guardians of all students in grades prekindergarten through 6 who have not previously been transported in a district school bus or student activity bus. This information shall be provided upon registration and shall contain: (Education Code 39831.5)

1. A list of school bus stops near each student's home
2. General rules of conduct at school bus loading zones
3. Red light crossing instructions
4. A description of the school bus danger zone
5. Instructions for safely walking to and from school bus stops

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Student Instruction

Students who are transported in a school bus or student activity bus shall receive instruction in school bus emergency procedures and passenger safety as follows: (Education Code 39831.5; 5 CCR 14102)

1. Each year, all students who receive home-to-school transportation in a school bus shall be provided appropriate instruction in safe riding practices and emergency evacuation drills.
2. At least once each school year, all students in grades prekindergarten through 8 who receive home-to-school transportation shall receive safety instruction which includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Proper loading and unloading procedures, including escorting by the driver
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 - c. In school buses with passenger restraint systems, instruction in the use of such systems as specified in 5 CCR 14105, including, but not limited to, the proper fastening and release of the passenger restraint system, acceptable placement of passenger restraint systems on students, times at which the passenger restraint systems should be fastened and released, and acceptable placement of the passenger restraint systems when not in use
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- a. District name
- b. School name and location

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)

- c. Date of instruction
- d. Names of supervising adults
- e. Number of students participating
- f. Grade levels of students
- g. Subjects covered in instruction
- h. Amount of time taken for instruction
- i. Bus driver's name
- j. Bus number
- k. Additional remarks

This documentation shall be kept on file at the district office or the school for one year and shall be available for inspection by the CHP.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

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TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES (continued)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Food Service/Child Nutrition Program

BP 3550

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that adequate, nourishing food is essential to student health, development, and ability to learn. The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies to increase students' access to the district's food service programs and to maximize their participation in available programs.

Foods and beverages available through the district's food service program shall:

1. Be carefully selected so as to contribute to students' nutritional well-being and the prevention of disease

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

2. Meet or exceed nutrition standards specified in law and administrative regulation

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)

(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

3. Be prepared in ways that will appeal to students, retain nutritive quality, and foster lifelong healthful eating habits

4. Be served in age-appropriate portions

5. Be available to students who meet federal eligibility criteria at no cost or at reduced prices, and to other students at reasonable prices

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

The district's food service program shall give priority to serving unprocessed foods and fresh fruits and vegetables.

District schools are encouraged to establish school gardens and/or farm-to-school projects to

increase the availability of safe, fresh, seasonal fruits and vegetables for school meals and to support the district's nutrition education program.

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

To encourage student participation in school meal programs, schools may offer multiple choices of food items within a meal service, provided all food items meet nutrition standards and all students are given an opportunity to select any food item.

The Superintendent or designee may invite students and parents/guardians to participate in the selection of foods of good nutritional quality for school menus.

The Board desires to provide students with adequate time and space to eat meals. To the extent possible, school, recess, and transportation schedules shall be designed to encourage participation in school meal programs.

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically review the adequacy of school facilities for cafeteria eating and food preparation.

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3517- Facilities Inspection)

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

In accordance with law, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and maintain a food safety program in order to reduce the risk of foodborne hazards at each step of the food preparation process, from receiving to service.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board on student participation in the district's nutrition programs and the extent to which the district's food services program meets state and federal nutrition standards for foods and beverages. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall provide all necessary and available documentation required for the Administrative Review conducted by the California Department of Education (CDE) to ensure the food service program's compliance with federal requirements related to nutrition standards, meal patterns, provision of drinking water, school meal environment, food safety, and other areas as required by the CDE.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

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California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

California Farm Bureau Federation: <http://www.cfbf.com>

California Food Policy Advocates: <http://www.cfpa.net>

California Healthy Kids Resource Center: <http://www.californiahealthykids.org>

California Project LEAN (Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition):

<http://www.californiaprojectlean.org>

California School Nutrition Association: <http://www.calsna.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

National Alliance for Nutrition and Activity: <http://www.cspinet.org/nutritionpolicy/nana.html>

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Food Service/Child Nutrition Program

AR 3550

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Nutrition Standards for School Meals

Meals, food items, and beverages provided through the district's food services program shall: (Education Code 49531, 49553; 42 USC 1758, 1773)

1. Comply with National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program standards for meal patterns, nutrient levels, and calorie requirements for the ages/grade levels served, as specified in 7 CFR 210.10 or 220.8 as applicable
2. Not be deep fried, par fried, or flash fried, as defined in Education Code 49430 and 49430.7

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 3554 - Other Food Sales)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

Drinking Water

The district shall provide access to free, fresh drinking water during meal times in food service areas at all district schools, including, but not limited to, areas where reimbursable meals under the National School Lunch or Breakfast Program are served or consumed. (Education Code 38086; 42 USC 1758)

Special Milk Program

Any school that does not participate in the National School Lunch or Breakfast Program may participate in the Special Milk Program to provide all enrolled students with reasonably priced milk. (7 CFR 215.1)

Food Safety

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's food service program meets the applicable sanitation and safety requirements of the California Retail Food Code as set forth in Health and Safety Code 113700-114437.

For all district schools participating in the National School Lunch and/or School Breakfast Program, the Superintendent or designee shall implement a written food safety program for the storage, preparation, and service of school meals which complies with the national Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system. The district's HACCP plan shall include, but is not limited to, a determination of critical control points and critical limits at each stage of food production, monitoring procedures, corrective actions, and recordkeeping procedures. (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.13, 220.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide ongoing staff development on food safety to food service managers and employees. Each new employee, including a substitute, or volunteer shall complete initial food safety training prior to handling food. The Superintendent or designee shall document the date, trainer, and subject of each training.

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall assign staff to maintain records and logs documenting food safety activities, including, but not limited to, records of food deliveries, time and temperature monitoring during food production, equipment temperature (freezer, cooler, thermometer calibration), corrective actions, verification or review of safety efforts, and staff training.

Inspection of Food Facilities

All food preparation and service areas shall be inspected in accordance with Health and Safety Code 113725-113725.1 and applicable county regulations.

Each school participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program shall, during each school year, obtain a minimum of two food safety inspections conducted by the county environmental health agency. (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.13, 220.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall retain records from the most recent food safety inspection. All schools shall post a notice indicating that the most recent inspection report is available to any interested person upon request. (Health and Safety Code 113725.1; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.13, 210.15, 220.7)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund

BP 3551

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board intends that school food services shall be a self-supporting, nonprofit program. To ensure program quality and increase cost effectiveness, the Superintendent or designee shall centralize and direct the purchasing of foods and supplies, the planning of menus, and the auditing of all food service accounts for the district.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all food service personnel possess appropriate qualifications and receive ongoing professional development related to the effective management and implementation of the district's food service program.

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

At least once each year, food service administrators, other appropriate personnel who conduct or oversee administrative procedures, and other food service personnel shall receive training provided by the California Department of Education (CDE). (42 USC 1776)

Meal Sales

Meals may be sold to students, district employees, Board members, and employees or members of the fund or association maintaining the cafeteria. (Education Code 38082)

Meal prices, as recommended by the Superintendent or designee and approved by the Board, shall be based on the costs of providing food services and consistent with Education Code 38084 and 42 USC 1760.

Students who are enrolled in the free or reduced-price meal program shall receive meals free of charge or at a reduced price in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

Meals may be sold to nonstudents, including parents/guardians, volunteers, students' siblings, or other individuals, who are on campus for a legitimate purpose. Any meals served to nonstudents shall not be subsidized by federal or state reimbursements, food service revenues, or U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) foods.

Cafeteria Fund

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a cafeteria fund independent of the district's general fund.

The wages, salaries, and benefits of food service employees shall be paid from the district's general fund. At any time, the Board may order reimbursement from the district's cafeteria fund for these payments in amounts prescribed by the Board and not exceeding the costs actually incurred. (Education Code 38103)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Contracts with Outside Services

With Board approval, the district may enter into a contract for food service consulting services or management services in one or more district schools. (Education Code 45103.5; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 3600 - Consultants)

Program Monitoring and Evaluation

The Superintendent or designee shall present to the Board, at least annually, financial reports regarding revenues and expenditures related to the food service program.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide all necessary documentation required for the Administrative Review conducted by the CDE to ensure compliance of the district's food service program with federal requirements related to maintenance of the nonprofit school food service account, paid lunch equity, revenue from nonprogram goods, indirect costs, and USDA foods.

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

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FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND

The Governing Board intends that school food services shall be a self-supporting, nonprofit program. To ensure program quality and increase cost effectiveness, the Superintendent or designee shall centralize and direct the purchasing of foods and supplies, the planning of menus, and the auditing of all food service accounts for the district.

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that food service director(s) possess the qualifications required by 7 CFR 210.30 and California Department of Education (CDE) standards.

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

At least once each year, food service administrators, other appropriate personnel who conduct or oversee administrative procedures, and other food service personnel shall receive training provided by the CDE. (42 USC 1776)

Meal Sales

Meals may be sold to students, district employees, Board members, and employees or members of the fund or association maintaining the cafeteria. (Education Code 38082)

In addition, meals may be sold to nonstudents, including parents/guardians, volunteers, students' siblings, or other individuals, who are on campus for a legitimate purpose. Any meals served to nonstudents shall not be subsidized by federal or state reimbursements, food service revenues, or U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) foods.

Meal prices, as recommended by the Superintendent or designee and approved by the Board, shall be based on the costs of providing food services and consistent with Education Code 38084 and 42 USC 1760. Students who are enrolled in the free or reduced-price meal program shall receive meals free of charge or at a reduced price in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish strategies and procedures for the collection of meal payments, including delinquent meal payments. Such procedures shall conform with BP/AR 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals, 2 CFR 200.426, and any applicable CDE

FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND (continued)

guidance. The Superintendent or designee shall clearly communicate these procedures to students and parents/guardians, and shall make this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation available to the public pursuant to Education Code 49557.5.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that a student whose parent/guardian has unpaid school meal fees or a student who is enrolled in the free or reduced-price meal program is not overtly identified by the use of special tokens, tickets, or other means and is not shamed, treated differently, or served a meal that differs from the meal served to other students. (Education Code 49557, 49557.5)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 0415 - Equity)

Cafeteria Fund

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a cafeteria fund independent of the district's general fund.

OPTION 1: The wages, salaries, and benefits of food service employees shall be paid from the district's general fund. At any time, the Board may order reimbursement from the district's cafeteria fund for these payments in amounts prescribed by the Board and not exceeding the costs actually incurred. (Education Code 38103)

OPTION 2: The wages, salaries, and benefits of food service employees shall be paid from the cafeteria fund. (Education Code 38103)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that state and federal funds provided through school meal programs are allocated only for purposes related to the operation or improvement of food services and reasonable and necessary indirect program costs as allowed by law.

(cf. 3230 - Federal Grant Funds)

(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

Contracts with Outside Services

With Board approval, the district may enter into a contract for food service consulting services or management services in one or more district schools. (Education Code 45103.5; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

(cf. 3600 - Consultants)

FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND (continued)**Procurement of Foods, Equipment and Supplies**

To the maximum extent practicable, foods purchased for use in school meals by the district or by any entity purchasing food on its behalf shall be domestic commodities or products. *Domestic commodity or product* means an agricultural commodity that is produced in the United States and a food product that is processed in the United States substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the United States. (42 USC 1760; 7 CFR 210.21)

A nondomestic food product may be purchased for use in the district's food service program only as a last resort when the product is not produced or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonable quantities of a satisfactory quality, or when competitive bids reveal the costs of a United States product are significantly higher than the nondomestic product. In such cases, the Superintendent or designee shall retain documentation justifying the use of the exception.

Furthermore, the district shall accept a bid or price for an agricultural product grown in California before accepting a bid or price for an agricultural product grown outside the state, if the quality of the California-grown product is comparable and the bid or price does not exceed the lowest bid or price of a product produced outside the state. (Food and Agriculture Code 58595)

Bid solicitations and awards for purchases of equipment, materials, or supplies in support of the district's child nutrition program, or for contracts awarded pursuant to Public Contract Code 2000, shall be consistent with the federal procurement standards in 2 CFR 200.318-200.326. Awards shall be let to the most responsive and responsible party. Price shall be the primary consideration, but not the only determining factor, in making such an award. (Public Contract Code 20111)

Program Monitoring and Evaluation

The Superintendent or designee shall present to the Board, at least annually, financial reports regarding revenues and expenditures related to the food service program.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide all necessary documentation required for the Administrative Review conducted by the CDE to ensure compliance of the district's food service program with federal requirements related to maintenance of the nonprofit school food service account, meal charges, paid lunch equity, revenue from nonprogram goods, indirect costs, and USDA foods.

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund

AR 3551

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Payments for Meals

With the exception of students who are eligible to receive meals at no cost, students may pay on a per-meal basis or may submit payments in advance. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a system for accurately recording payments received and tracking meals provided to each student.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

At the beginning of the school year, parents/guardians shall be notified of the district's meal payment policies and encouraged to prepay for meals whenever possible.

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

Students and their parents/guardians shall be notified whenever their account has a zero balance. Whenever a student's account has an unpaid balance of \$50 or more, parents/guardians shall be notified in writing that full payment is due within seven school days from the date of the notice.

In cases of repeated nonpayment by a student, the Superintendent or designee may contact parents/guardians to discuss the reasons for the nonpayment. The Superintendent or designee may evaluate individual circumstances to determine if the student's parents/guardians need assistance completing an application for free or reduced-price meals or need referral to social services.

In any school that uses a system of meal tickets or other similar medium of exchange rather than an electronic point-of-sale system, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a process for providing replacement tickets to any student who reports his/her tickets as lost or stolen. However, whenever any student reports an excessive number of lost or stolen tickets, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian and may provide an alternative method of tracking meal usage for that student.

In order to avoid potential misuse of a student's food service account by someone other than the student in whose name the account has been established, the Superintendent or designee shall verify a student's identity when setting up the account and when charging any meal to the

account. The Superintendent or designee shall investigate any claim that a bill does not belong to a student or is inaccurate, shall not require a student to pay a bill that appears to be the result of identity theft, and shall open a new account with a new account number for a student who appears to be the subject of identity theft.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Reimbursement Claims

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of the number of meals served each day by school site and by category of free, reduced-price, and full-price meals. The Superintendent or designee shall submit reimbursement claims for school meals to the California Department of Education (CDE) using the online Child Nutrition Information and Payment System.

Cafeteria Fund

All proceeds from food sales and other services offered by the cafeteria shall be deposited in the cafeteria fund as provided by law. The income and expenditures of any cafeteria revolving account established by the Governing Board shall be recorded as income and expenditures of the cafeteria fund. (Education Code 38090, 38091)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

The cafeteria fund shall be used only for those expenditures authorized by the Board as necessary for the operation of school cafeterias in accordance with Education Code 38100-38103, 2 CFR 225, and the California School Accounting Manual. (Education Code 38091, 38101; 2 CFR 225)

Any charges to, or transfers from, a food service program shall be dated and accompanied by a written explanation of the expenditure's purpose and basis. (Education Code 38101)

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

Indirect costs charged to the food service program shall be based on either the district's prior year indirect cost rate or the statewide average approved indirect cost rate for the second prior fiscal year, whichever is less. (Education Code 38101)

Net cash resources in the nonprofit school food service shall not exceed three months average expenditures. (2 CFR 210.14)

U.S. Department of Agriculture Foods

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that foods received through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) are handled, stored, and distributed in facilities which: (7 CFR 250.14)

1. Are sanitary and free from rodent, bird, insect, and other animal infestation
2. Safeguard foods against theft, spoilage, and other loss
3. Maintain foods at proper storage temperatures
4. Store foods off the floor in a manner to allow for adequate ventilation
5. Take other protective measures as may be necessary

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain inventories of USDA foods in accordance with 7 CFR 250.59 and CDE procedures, and shall ensure that foods are used before their expiration dates.

USDA foods shall be used in school lunches as far as practicable. USDA foods also may be used in other nonprofit food service activities, including, but not limited to, school breakfasts or other meals, a la carte foods sold to students, meals served to adults directly involved in the operation and administration of the food service and to other school staff, and training in nutrition, health, food service, or general home economics instruction for students, provided that any revenues from such activities accrue to the district's nonprofit food service account. (7 CFR 250.60)

Contracts with Outside Services

The term of any contract for food service management or consulting services shall not exceed one year. Any renewal of the contract or further requests for proposals to provide such services shall be considered on a year-to-year basis. (Education Code 45103.5; 7 CFR 210.16)

Any contract for management of the food service operation shall be approved by CDE and comply with the conditions in Education Code 49554 and 7 CFR 210.16 as applicable. The district shall retain control of the quality, extent, and general nature of its food services, including prices to be charged to students for meals, and shall monitor the food service operation through periodic on-site visits. The district shall not enter into a contract with a food service company to provide a la carte food services only, unless the company agrees to offer free, reduced-price, and full-price reimbursable meals to all eligible students. (Education Code 49554; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

Any contract for consulting services shall not result in the supervision of food service classified staff by the management consultant, nor shall it result in the elimination of any food service classified staff or position or have any adverse effect on the wages, benefits, or other terms and conditions of employment of classified food service staff or positions. All persons providing consulting services shall be subject to applicable employment conditions related to health and safety as listed in Education Code 45103.5. (Education Code 45103.5)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)
(cf. 3515.6 - Criminal Background Checks for Contractors)
(cf. 3600 - Consultants)
(cf. 4112.4/4212.4/4312.4 - Health Examinations)
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FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND

Payments for Meals

With the exception of students who are eligible to receive meals at no cost, students may pay on a per-meal basis or may submit payments in advance. The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a system for accurately recording payments received and tracking meals provided to each student.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

At the beginning of the school year, and whenever a student enrolls during the school year, parents/guardians shall be notified of the district's meal payment policies and be encouraged to prepay for meals whenever possible. The Superintendent or designee shall communicate the district's meal payment policies through multiple methods, including, but not limited to:

1. Explaining the meal charge policy within registration materials provided to parents/guardians at the start of the school year
2. Including the policy in print versions of student handbooks, if provided to parents/guardians annually
3. Providing the policy whenever parents/guardians are notified regarding the application process for free and reduced-price meals, such as in the distribution of applications at the start of the school year
4. Posting the policy on the district's web site
5. Establishing a system to notify parents/guardians when a student's meal payment account has a low or negative balance

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

In any school that uses a system of meal tickets or other similar medium of exchange rather than an electronic point-of-sale system, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a process for providing replacement tickets to any student who reports a ticket as lost or stolen. However, whenever any student reports an excessive number of lost or stolen tickets, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian and may provide an alternative method of tracking meal usage for that student.

In order to avoid potential misuse of a student's food service account by someone other than the student in whose name the account has been established, the Superintendent or designee

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shall verify a student's identity when setting up the account and when charging any meal to the account. The Superintendent or designee shall investigate any claim that a bill does not belong to a student or is inaccurate, and shall open a new account as appropriate for a student whose account appears to have been misused.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Any payments made to a student's food service account shall, if not used within the school year, be carried over into the next school year or be refunded to the student's parents/guardians.

Unpaid and Delinquent Meal Charges

No later than 10 days after a student's school meal account has reached a negative balance, the Superintendent or designee shall so notify the student's parent/guardian. Before sending this notification, the district shall exhaust all options and methods to directly certify the student for free or reduced-price meals. If the district is not able to directly certify the student, the notice to the parent/guardian shall include a paper copy of, or an electronic link to, an application for free or reduced-price meals and the Superintendent or designee shall contact the parent/guardian to encourage submission of the application. (Education Code 49557.5)

The district may attempt to collect unpaid school meal fees from a parent/guardian, but shall not use a debt collector. (Education Code 49557.5)

The Superintendent or designee may enter into an agreement with a student's parent/guardian for payment of the student's unpaid meal charge balance over a period of time. As necessary, the repayment plan may allow the unrecovered or delinquent debt to carry over into the next fiscal year.

The district shall not direct any action toward a student to collect unpaid school meal fees. (Education Code 49557.5)

The district's efforts to collect debt shall be consistent with district policies and procedures, California Department of Education (CDE) guidance, and 2 CFR 200.426. The district shall not spend more than the actual debt owed in efforts to recover unpaid meal charges.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of the efforts made to collect unpaid meal charges and, if applicable, financial documentation showing when the unpaid meal balance has become an operating loss.

FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND (continued)**Reimbursement Claims**

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of the number of meals served each day by school site and by category of free, reduced-price, and full-price meals. The Superintendent or designee shall submit reimbursement claims for school meals to CDE using the online Child Nutrition Information and Payment System.

Donation of Leftover Food

To minimize waste and reduce food insecurity, the district may provide sharing tables where students and staff may return appropriate unused cafeteria food items to be made available to students during the course of a regular school meal time. If food on the sharing tables is not taken by a student, the school cafeteria may donate the food to a food bank or any other nonprofit charitable organization. (Health and Safety Code 114079)

(cf. 3510 - Green School Operations)

Food that may be donated includes prepackaged, nonpotentially hazardous food with the packaging still intact and in good condition, whole uncut produce, unopened bags of sliced fruit, unopened containers of milk that are immediately stored in a cooling bin maintained at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or below, and perishable prepackaged food if it is placed in a proper temperature-controlled environment. The preparation, safety, and donation of food shall be consistent with Health and Safety Code 113980. (Health and Safety Code 114079)

Cafeteria Fund

All proceeds from food sales and other services offered by the cafeteria shall be deposited in the cafeteria fund as provided by law. The income and expenditures of any cafeteria revolving account established by the Governing Board shall be recorded as income and expenditures of the cafeteria fund. (Education Code 38090, 38093)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)

The cafeteria fund shall be used only for those expenditures authorized by the Board as necessary for the operation of school cafeterias in accordance with Education Code 38100-38103, 2 CFR Part 200 Appendix VII, and the California School Accounting Manual.

With CDE approval, the district may use cafeteria funds to supplement the provision of universal breakfast. On or before July 1 of each year, the district shall submit to CDE a Board-signed application certifying that breakfast will be provided to all students at no charge and that any cost above the amount provided in federal reimbursement will be covered by the district with nonfederal funds. (Education Code 49550.5)

FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND (continued)

Any charges to, or transfers from, a food service program shall be dated and accompanied by a written explanation of the expenditure's purpose and basis. (Education Code 38101)

(cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds)

Indirect costs charged to the food service program shall be based on either the district's prior year indirect cost rate as approved by CDE or the statewide average approved indirect cost rate for the second prior fiscal year, whichever is less. (Education Code 38101)

Net cash resources in the nonprofit school food service shall not exceed three months average expenditures. (7 CFR 210.14, 220.7)

U.S. Department of Agriculture Foods

The district shall provide facilities for the storage and control of foods received through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that protect against theft, spoilage, damage, or other loss. Such storage facilities shall maintain donated foods in sanitary conditions, at the proper temperature and humidity, and with adequate air circulation. The district shall comply with all federal, state, or local requirements related to food safety and health and procedures for responding to a food recall, as applicable, and shall obtain all required health inspections. (7 CFR 250.14)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain inventories of USDA foods in accordance with 7 CFR 250.59 and CDE procedures, and shall ensure that foods are used before their expiration dates.

USDA donated foods shall be used in school lunches as far as practicable. USDA foods also may be used in other nonprofit food service activities, including, but not limited to, school breakfasts or other meals, a la carte foods sold to students, meals served to adults directly involved in the operation and administration of the food service and to other school staff, and training in nutrition, health, food service, or general home economics instruction for students, provided that any revenues from such activities accrue to the district's nonprofit food service account. (7 CFR 250.59)

Contracts with Outside Services

The term of any contract for food service management or consulting services shall not exceed one year. Any renewal of the contract or further requests for proposals to provide such services shall be considered on a year-to-year basis. (Education Code 45103.5; 7 CFR 210.16)

FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS/CAFETERIA FUND (continued)

Any contract for management of the food service operation shall be approved by CDE and comply with the conditions in Education Code 49554 and 7 CFR 210.16 as applicable. The district shall retain control of the quality, extent, and general nature of its food services, including prices to be charged to students for meals, and shall monitor the food service operation through periodic on-site visits. The district shall not enter into a contract with a food service company to provide a la carte food services only, unless the company agrees to offer free, reduced-price, and full-price reimbursable meals to all eligible students. (Education Code 49554; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 210.16)

Any contract for consulting services shall not result in the supervision of food service classified staff by the management consultant, nor shall it result in the elimination of any food service classified staff or position or have any adverse effect on the wages, benefits, or other terms and conditions of employment of classified food service staff or positions. All persons providing consulting services shall be subject to applicable employment conditions related to health and safety as listed in Education Code 45103.5. (Education Code 45103.5)

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Summer Meal Program

BP 3552

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that child nutrition programs have a positive and direct impact upon children's well-being and achievement. To help students and other children in the community remain well nourished throughout the summer vacation, the district shall sponsor a summer meal program as approved by the California Department of Education (CDE).

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The district may apply to the CDE to provide meals to children during any extended break in a year-round school schedule. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.2, 225.6, 225.14)

(cf. 6117 - Year-Round Schedules)

Between October and April, or at any time or school on a year-round schedule, the district may serve meals at a nonschool site in cases of unanticipated school closures, such as a natural disaster, unscheduled major building repair, court order related to school safety or other issues, labor-management dispute, or similar cause as approved by the CDE. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.6)

The Superintendent or designee shall recommend to the Board one or more sites for meal services based on state and federal program criteria and an assessment of family and community needs. When feasible, the Superintendent or designee shall involve local governmental agencies, food banks, and/or community organizations in identifying suitable site locations. The site(s) shall be approved by the CDE before meal service is initiated.

The summer meal program may be offered in conjunction with educational enrichment or recreational activities in order to encourage participation in other wellness and learning opportunities.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

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The Superintendent or designee shall develop and coordinate outreach and promotional activities to inform parents/guardians and the community about the availability of the summer meal program and its location(s) and hours.

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain accurate records of all meals served and shall ensure the timely submission of reimbursement claims in accordance with state procedures.

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board regarding program implementation, number of participants at each site, feedback from participating children and their parents/guardians regarding menus and service, and program costs. As needed, the

Board shall direct the Superintendent or designee to identify program modifications to increase program quality or children's access to meal services.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Summer Meal Program

AR 3552

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Site Selection

In identifying locations where summer meals may be provided, the Superintendent or designee shall document site eligibility according to the following criteria: (7 CFR 225.2, 225.15)

1. **Open Site:** The site provides meals to all children in the area and is located at a school or nonschool site within the geographical boundaries of a school attendance area where at least 50 percent of the children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

2. **Restricted Open Site:** The site initially meets the criteria of an "open site," but the district must restrict or limit participation on a first-come, first-served basis due to security, safety, or control concerns.

3. **Closed Enrolled Site:** The site is open only to enrolled children, as opposed to the community at large, and at least 50 percent of the enrolled children at the site are eligible for free or reduced price school meals, as determined by approval of applications in accordance with 7 CFR 225.15(f).

Whenever the district offers the summer meal program at a site that provides summer school sessions, it shall ensure that the site is open to students enrolled in summer school and to all children residing in the area served by the site. (7 CFR 225.14)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

(cf. 6177 - Summer School)

Meal Service

In accordance with the district's agreement with the California Department of Education (CDE), the summer meal program may offer breakfast, morning snack, lunch, afternoon snack, and/or supper. The program may provide up to two meals/snacks per day in any combination, except that lunch and supper shall not be provided by the same site on the same day. Sites that

primarily serve children from migrant families may apply to serve up to three meals, or two meals and one snack, per day. All meals/snacks shall be provided within the time periods specified in 7 CFR 225.16. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.16)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

Meals provided through the district's summer meal program shall be available at no cost to: (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.2)

1. Children age 18 or younger
2. Persons over age 18 who meet the CDE's definition of having a physical or mental disability and who are participating in a public or nonprofit private school program established for individuals with a disability

(cf. 6164.4 - Identification of Individuals for Special Education)

The Superintendent or designee shall designate a person at each participating site to serve as the program's site supervisor. The site supervisor shall oversee the order or preparation of meals, ensure the site is cleaned before and after the meal, and record the number of complete meals served to eligible children each day.

Additional Requirements for Seamless Summer Feeding Option

All meals offered through the summer meal program shall meet menu planning requirements for the National School Lunch or Breakfast Program pursuant to 7 CFR 210.10 or 7 CFR 220.8. (42 USC 1761)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

Whenever the district operates an open site as defined in the section entitled "Site Selection" above, the Superintendent or designee shall advertise the availability of summer meal services to the neighborhood community. A large banner or marquee shall be prominently displayed at each site before and during the meal service. Other outreach strategies may include, but are not limited to, sending a news release to the local media, distributing a flyer to parents/guardians of district students, posting information on the district or school web site, and placing posters throughout the community.

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

At the point of service, on-site staff shall count the number of eligible meals served. Reimbursement claims shall be submitted using the same procedure used during the school year for the National School Lunch or Breakfast Program.

Each year the Superintendent or designee shall conduct at least one review of each site to ensure its compliance with meal counting, claiming, menu planning, and food safety requirements. For newly established sites, such reviews shall be conducted within three weeks of the start of operation.

Additional Requirements for Summer Food Service Program

The district shall annually submit to the CDE a program application and budget for anticipated operational and administrative costs.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually send a notice to the media serving the area from which the district draws its attendance regarding the availability of free meals. (7 CFR 225.15)

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

In addition, the district and each open site shall:

1. Make program information available to the public upon request
2. Make reasonable efforts to provide information in the appropriate translation concerning the availability and nutritional benefits of the program
3. Display, in a prominent place at the site and in the district office, the nondiscrimination poster developed or approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service
4. Include the nondiscrimination statement and instructions for filing a complaint in the public release and in any program information directed to parents/guardians of participants and potential participants

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

5. Post signage, such as a banner, marquee, poster, or other large display on the exterior of the building facing the street nearest the entrance of the meal service area at each site, before the meal service begins and throughout the service time

All meals offered through the summer meal program shall meet U.S. Department of Agriculture minimum meal patterns as specified in 7 CFR 225.16 or the meal patterns required for the

National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.16)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The Superintendent or designee shall submit to the CDE monthly reimbursement claims based on the number of eligible meals served.

Program administrative personnel shall annually attend mandatory training provided by the CDE. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall annually hold program training sessions for administrative and site personnel and shall allow no site to operate until personnel have attended at least one of these training sessions. Training of site personnel shall include, but not be limited to, the purpose of the program, site eligibility, record keeping, site operations, meal pattern requirements, and the duties of a program monitor. The Superintendent or designee shall provide training throughout the summer to ensure that administrative personnel are thoroughly knowledgeable in all required areas of program administration and operation and are provided with sufficient information to carry out their program responsibilities. Each site shall have present at each meal service at least one person who has received this training. (42 USC 1761; 7 CFR 225.15, 225.7)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall monitor program operations by conducting site visits prior to opening a new site, during the first week of operation, during the first four weeks of operation, and then at a reasonable level thereafter. (7 CFR 225.15)

The Superintendent or designee shall retain all records pertaining to the program for a period of three years after the end of the fiscal year to which they pertain. (7 CFR 225.6, 225.15)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Free And Reduced Price Meals

BP 3553

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes that adequate nutrition is essential to the development, health, and learning of all students. The Superintendent or designee shall facilitate and encourage the participation of students from low-income families in the district's food service program.

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)

(cf. 6177 - Summer Learning Programs)

The district shall provide at least one nutritionally adequate meal each school day, free of charge or at a reduced price, for students whose families meet federal eligibility criteria. (Education Code 49550, 49552)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that meals provided through the free and reduced-price meals program meet applicable state and/or federal nutritional standards in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

Schools participating in the Special Milk Program pursuant to 42 USC 1772 shall provide milk at no charge to students who meet federal eligibility criteria for free or reduced-price meals.

The Board shall approve, and shall submit to the California Department of Education for approval, a plan that ensures that students eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals and milk are not treated differently from other students. (Education Code 49557)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

Confidentiality/Release of Records

All applications and records related to eligibility for the free and reduced-price meals program shall be confidential and may not be released except as provided by law and authorized by the

Board or pursuant to a court order. (Education Code 49558)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

The Board authorizes designated employees to use individual records pertaining to student eligibility for the free and reduced-price meals program for the following purposes: (Education Code 49558)

1. Disaggregation of academic achievement data

(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)

2. Identification of students eligible for alternative supports in any school identified as a Title I program improvement school

(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)

(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

If a student transfers from the district to another district, charter school, county office of education program, or private school, the Superintendent or designee may share the student's meal eligibility information to the other educational agency to assist in the continuation of the student's meal benefits.

The Superintendent or designee may release the name and eligibility status of a student participating in the free or reduced-price meal program to another school district, charter school, or county office of education that is serving a student living in the same household for purposes related to program eligibility and data used in local control funding formula calculations. (Education Code 49558)

The Superintendent or designee may release the name and eligibility status of a student participating in the free or reduced-price meal program to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for purposes of determining allocations under the local control funding formula and for assessing accountability of that funding. (Education Code 49558)

The Superintendent or designee may release information on the school lunch program application to the local agency that determines eligibility for participation in the Medi-Cal program if the student has been approved for free meals or, if included in the agreement with the local agency, for reduced-price meals. He/she also may release information on the school lunch application to the local agency that determines eligibility for CalFresh or another nutrition assistance program authorized under 7 CFR 210.1 if the student has been approved for free or reduced-price meals. Information may be released for these purposes only if the student's parent/guardian consents to the sharing of information and the district has entered into a memorandum of understanding with the local agency which, at a minimum, includes the roles and responsibilities of the district and local agency and the process for sharing the information. After sharing information with the local agency for purposes of determining eligibility for that

program, no further information shall be shared unless otherwise authorized by law. (Education Code 49557.2, 49557.3, 49558)

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

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49430-49434 Pupil Nutrition, Health, and Achievement Act of 2001

49490-49494 School breakfast and lunch programs

49500-49505 School meals

49510-49520 Nutrition

49530-49536 Child Nutrition Act of 1974

49547-49548.3 Comprehensive nutrition service

49550-49562 Meals for needy students

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15510 Mandatory meals for needy students

15530-15535 Nutrition education

15550-15565 School lunch and breakfast programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act

6301-6514 Title I programs

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1751-1769j School lunch program

1771-1791 Child nutrition, especially:

1773 School breakfast program

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210.1-210.31 National School Lunch Program

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Administrative Regulation

Free And Reduced Price Meals

AR 3553

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Applications

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's application form for free and reduced-price meals and related materials include the statements specified in Education Code 49557 and 7 CFR 245.5. The district's application packet shall include the notifications and information listed in Education Code 49557.2.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

The application form and related information shall be distributed in paper form to all parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year and shall be available to students at all times during the school day. (Education Code 48980, 49520; 42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.5)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

In addition, the district application form for free and reduced price meals shall be available online. The online application form shall require completion of only those questions necessary for determining eligibility, contain clear instructions for families that are homeless or migrant, and comply with other requirements specified in Education Code 49557.

An application form and related information shall also be provided whenever a new student is enrolled.

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall send a public release, containing the same information supplied to parents/guardians and including eligibility criteria, to local media, the local unemployment office, and any major employers in the district attendance area contemplating large layoffs. Copies of the public release shall be made available upon request to any interested person. (7 CFR 245.5)

Eligibility

The Superintendent or designee shall determine students' eligibility for the free and reduced-price meals program based on the criteria specified in 42 USC 1758 and 1773 and 7 CFR 245.1-245.13 and made available by the California Department of Education.

When authorized by law, participants in other federal or state programs may be directly certified, without further application, for enrollment in the free and reduced-price meals program. (Education Code 49561; 42 USC 1758)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)

Verification of Eligibility

Not later than November 15 of each year, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the eligibility of a sample of household applications approved for the school year in accordance with the sample sizes and procedures specified in 42 USC 1758 and 7 CFR 245.6a. (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.6a)

If the review indicates that the initial eligibility determination is correct, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the approved household application. If the review indicates that the initial eligibility determination is incorrect, the Superintendent or designee shall: (42 USC 1758; 7 CFR 245.6a)

1. If the eligibility status changes from reduced price to free, make the increased benefits immediately available and notify the household of the change in benefits
2. If the eligibility status changes from free to reduced price, first verify the application, then notify the household of the correct eligibility status, and, when required by law, send a notice of adverse action as described below
3. If the eligibility status changes from free or reduced price to paid, send the household a notice of adverse action as described below

If any household is to receive a reduction or termination of benefits as a result of verification activities, or if the household fails to cooperate with verification efforts, the Superintendent or designee shall reduce or terminate benefits, as applicable, and shall properly document and retain on file in the district the reasons for ineligibility. He/she also shall send a notice of adverse action to any household that is to receive a reduction or termination of benefits. Such notice shall be provided 10 days prior to the actual reduction or termination of benefits. The notice shall advise the household of: (7 CFR 245.6a)

1. The change and the reasons for the change
2. The right to appeal, when the appeal must be filed to ensure continued benefits while awaiting a hearing and decision, and instructions on how to appeal
3. The right to reapply at any time during the school year

Confidentiality/Release of Records

The Superintendent designates the following district employee(s) to use individual records pertaining to student participation in the free and reduced-price meals program for the purpose of disaggregation of academic achievement data or for the identification of students who are eligible for alternative supports in a Title I program improvement school:

Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

In using the records for such purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that:
(Education Code 49558)

1. No individual indicators of participation in the free and reduced-price meals program are maintained in the permanent records of any student if not otherwise allowed by law.

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

2. Information regarding individual student participation in the free and reduced-price meals program is not publicly released.

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)

3. All other confidentiality provisions required by law are met.

4. Information collected regarding individual students certified to participate in the free and reduced-price meals program is destroyed when no longer needed for its intended purpose.

Nondiscrimination Plan

The district's plan for students receiving free or reduced-price meals shall ensure the following:
(Education Code 49557; 42 USC 1758)

1. The names of the students shall not be published, posted, or announced in any manner, or used for any purpose other than the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, unless otherwise provided by law.

2. There shall be no overt identification of any of the students by the use of special tokens or tickets or by any other means.

3. The students shall not be required to work for their meals or for milk.

4. The students shall not be required to use a separate dining area, go through a separate serving line or entrance, or consume their meals or milk at a different time.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

When more than one lunch, breakfast, or type of milk is offered, the students shall have the same choice of meals or milk as is available to those students who pay the full price. (Education Code 49557; 7 CFR 245.8)

Prices

The maximum price that shall be charged to eligible students for reduced-price meals shall be 40 cents for lunch and 30 cents for breakfast. (42 USC 1758, 1773)

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Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Other Food Sales

BP 3554

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board believes that sales of foods and beverages at school during the school day should be aligned with the district's goals to promote student wellness. Any food sales conducted outside the district's food service program shall meet nutritional standards specified in law, Board policy, and administrative regulation and shall not reduce student participation in the district's food service program.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to approve the sale of foods and beverages outside the district's food service program, including sales by student or school-connected organizations, sales through vending machines, and/or sales at secondary school student stores for fundraising purposes.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1321 - Solicitations of Funds from and by Students)

When vending machines are sponsored by the district or a student or adult organization, the Superintendent or designee shall determine how and where vending machines may be placed at school sites, district offices, or other school facilities.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35182.5 Contracts, non-nutritious beverages

48931 Authorization and sale of food

49430-49434 Pupil Nutrition, Health, and Achievement Act of 2001

51520 School premises; prohibited solicitations

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15500 Food sales in elementary schools

15501 Sales in high schools and junior high schools

15575-15578 Requirements for foods and beverages outside the federal meals program

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

113700-114437 California Retail Food Code

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1751-1769j National School Lunch Act, including:

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California Healthy Kids Resource Center: <http://www.californiahealthykids.org>

California Project LEAN (Leaders Encouraging Activity and Nutrition):

<http://www.californiaprojectlean.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov>

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team: <http://www.fcmat.org>

National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE): <http://www.nasbe.org>

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Information Center: <http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic>

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Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

Other Food Sales

AR 3554

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Requirements for Schools Not Participating in Federal Meal Program

Food and beverage sales outside the district's food service program shall comply with applicable nutritional standards specified in Education Code 49431-49431.7 and 5 CCR 15500-15501 and 15575-15578.

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

The sale of foods or beverages that do not comply with the standards in Education Code 49431-49431.5 may be permitted in either of the following circumstances: (Education Code 49431-49431.5)

1. The sale takes place off and away from school premises.
2. The sale takes place on school premises at least one-half hour after the end of the school day.

(cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations)

(cf. 1321 - Solicitations of Funds from and by Students)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

Requirements for Schools Participating in Federal Meal Program

For any district school participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program, food and beverage sales conducted outside the district's food service program on school campuses during the school day shall comply with applicable nutritional standards specified in 7 CFR 210.11 and 220.12 or with state nutrition standards in Education Code 49431-49431.7 and 5 CCR 15500-15501 and 15575-15578, whichever rule is stricter.

These standards shall apply to all competitive foods and beverages sold from midnight before the school day to one-half hour after the end of the school day. (7 CFR 210.11)

In a school with any of grades K-8 that is participating in the National School Lunch and/or Breakfast Program, the Superintendent or designee shall not permit the sale of foods by a student organization except when all of the following conditions are met: (5 CCR 15500)

1. The student organization sells only one food item per sale.
2. The specific nutritious food item is approved by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Board policy.
3. The sale does not begin until after the close of the regularly scheduled midday food service period.
4. The sale during the regular school day is not of food items prepared on the premises.
5. There are no more than four such sales per year per school.
6. The food sold is not one sold in the district's food service program at that school during that school day.

In any middle or high school, a student organization may be approved to sell food items during or after the school day if all of the following conditions are met: (5 CCR 15501)

1. Only one student organization conducts a food sale on a given school day and the organization sells no more than three types of food or beverage items, except that up to four days during the school year may be designated on which any number of organizations may conduct the sale of any food items.
2. The specific nutritious food items are approved by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Board policy.
3. Food items sold during the regular school day are not prepared on the premises.
4. The food items sold are not those sold in the district's food service program at that school during that school day.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records, and shall require organizations selling foods and beverages to maintain records, to document compliance with federal nutrition standards for all competitive foods and beverages sold through and outside the district's food services program. At a minimum, these records shall include receipts, nutrition labels, and/or product specifications. (7 CFR 210.11)

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Nutrition Program Compliance

BP 3555

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the district's responsibility to comply with state and federal nondiscrimination laws as they apply to the district's nutrition programs. The district shall not deny any individual the benefits or service of any nutrition program or discriminate against him/her on any basis prohibited by law.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)

(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)

Coordinator

The Board designates the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures as the district's civil rights coordinator to ensure compliance with the laws governing its nutrition programs and to investigate any related complaints.

The responsibilities of the compliance officer/coordinator include, but are not limited to:

1. Providing the name of the civil rights coordinator, Section 504 coordinator, and Title IX coordinator, if different from the civil rights coordinator, to the California Department of Education and other interested parties

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

2. Annually providing mandatory civil rights training to all frontline staff who interact with program applicants or participants and to those who supervise frontline staff

The subject matter of such training shall include, but not be limited to, collection and use of data, effective public notification systems, complaint procedures, compliance review techniques, resolution of noncompliance, requirements for reasonable accommodation of persons with disabilities, requirements for language assistance, conflict resolution, and customer service.

3. Establishing admission and enrollment procedures that do not restrict enrollment of students on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, or disability, including preventing staff

from incorrectly denying applications and ensuring that such persons have equal access to all programs

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

4. Sending a public release announcing the availability of the child nutrition programs and/or changes in the programs to public media and to community and grassroots organizations that interact directly with eligible or potentially eligible participants
5. Communicating the program's nondiscrimination policy and applicable complaint procedures, as provided in the section "Notifications" below
6. Providing appropriate translation services when a significant number of persons in the surrounding population have limited English proficiency
7. Ensuring that every part of a facility is accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities and that participants with disabilities are not excluded from the benefits or services due to inaccessibility of facilities
8. Ensuring that special meals are made available to participants with disabilities who have a medical statement on file documenting that their disability restricts their diet

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

9. Implementing procedures to process and resolve civil rights (discrimination) complaints and program-related complaints, including maintaining a complaint log and working with the appropriate person to resolve any complaint
10. Developing a method, which preferably uses self-identification or self-reporting, to collect racial and ethnic data for potentially eligible populations, applicants, and participants

(cf. 5022 - Students and Family Privacy Rights)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

Notifications

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) "And Justice for All" civil rights poster or a substitute poster approved by the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service shall be displayed in areas visible to the district's nutrition program participants, such as food service areas and school offices.

The coordinator shall notify the public, all program applicants, participants, and potentially eligible persons of their program rights and responsibilities and steps necessary for participation. Applicants, participants, and the public also shall be advised of their right to file a complaint,

how to file a complaint, the complaint procedures, and that a complaint may be file anonymously or by a third party.

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

In addition, all forms of communication available to the public regarding program availability shall contain, in a prominent location, the following statement:

"In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

Forms of communication requiring this nondiscrimination statement include, but are not limited to, web sites, public information releases, publications, and posters, but exclude menus. The nondiscrimination statement need not be included on every page of program information on the district's or school's web site, but the statement or a link to the statement shall be included on the home page of the program information.

A short version of the nondiscrimination statement, stating "This institution is an equal

opportunity provider," may be used on pamphlets, brochures, and flyers in the same print size as the rest of the text.

Complaints

Any complaint concerning the district's nutrition programs shall be investigated using the process identified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

When a complaint alleging discrimination of the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability is unresolved at the district level, the coordinator shall notify the complainant of the option to contact and/or forward his/her complaint to one of the following agencies:

1. Child Nutrition Program Civil Rights and Program Complaint Coordinator, California Department of Education, Nutrition Services Division, 1430 N Street, Room 4503, Sacramento, CA 95814-2342 or call (916) 323-8531 or (800) 952-5609
2. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, (866) 632-9992, (800) 877-8339 (Federal Relay Service - English), (800) 845-6136 (Federal Relay Service - Spanish), fax (202) 690-7442, or email program.intake.usda.gov.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

48985 Notices to parents in language other than English

49060-49079 Student records

49490-49590 Child nutrition programs

PENAL CODE

422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3080 Application of section

4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act

1681-1688 Discrimination based on sex or blindness, Title IX

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000d-2000d-7 Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964

2000e-2000e-17 Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended

2000h-2000h-6 Title IX

12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7
210.23 National School Lunch Program, district responsibilities
215.7 Special Milk Program, requirements for participation
215.14 Special Milk Program, nondiscrimination
220.7 School Breakfast Program, requirements for participation
225.3 Summer Food Service Program, administration
225.7 Summer Food Service Program, program monitoring
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28
35.101-35.190 Americans with Disabilities Act
36.303 Auxiliary aids and services
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34
100.1-100.13 Nondiscrimination in federal programs, effectuating Title VI
104.1-104.39 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
106.1-106.61 Discrimination on the basis of sex, effectuating Title IX, especially:
106.9 Dissemination of policy

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Civil Rights and Complaint Procedures for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Child Nutrition Programs, rev. November 2015

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE
PUBLICATIONS

Civil Rights Compliance and Enforcement - Nutrition Programs and Activities, FNS Instruction 113-1, November 2005

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS

Notice of Non-Discrimination, August 2010

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Nutrition Services Division: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/nu>

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services: <http://www.fns.usda.gov>

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www.ascr.usda.gov>

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www2.ed.gov/ocr>

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

District Records

BP 3580

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of securing and retaining district documents. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that district records are developed, maintained, and disposed of in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

- (cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)
- (cf. 3440 - Inventories)
- (cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)
- (cf. 5125 - Student Records)

The Superintendent or designee shall consult with district legal counsel, site administrators, district information technology staff, personnel department staff, and others as necessary to develop a secure document management system that provides for the storage, retrieval, archiving, and destruction of district documents, including electronically stored information such as email. This document management system shall be designed to comply with state and federal laws regarding security of records, record retention and destruction, response to "litigation hold" discovery requests, and the recovery of records in the event of a disaster or emergency.

- (cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
- (cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
- (cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
- (cf. 9011 - Board Member Electronic Communications)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure the confidentiality of records as required by law and shall establish regulations to safeguard data against damage, loss, or theft.

- (cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that employees receive information about the district's document management system, including retention and confidentiality requirements and an employee's obligations in the event of a litigation hold established on the advice of legal counsel.

- (cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
- (cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
- (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

If the district discovers or is notified that a breach of security of district records containing unencrypted personal information has occurred, the Superintendent or designee shall notify every individual whose personal information was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person. Personal information includes, but is not limited to, a social security number, driver's license or identification card number, medical information, health insurance information, or an account number in combination with an access code or password that would permit access to a financial account. (Civil Code 1798.29)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the notice in a timely manner either in writing or electronically, unless otherwise provided in law. The notice shall include the material specified in Civil Code 1798.29, be formatted as required, and be distributed in a timely manner, consistent with the legitimate needs of law enforcement to conduct an uncompromised investigation or any measures necessary to determine the scope of the breach and restore reasonable integrity of the data system. (Civil Code 1798.29)

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Safe at Home Program

District public records shall not include the actual addresses of students, parents/guardians, or employees when a substitute address is designated by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Safe at Home program. (Government Code 6206, 6207)

When a substitute address card is provided pursuant to this program, the confidential, actual address may be used only to establish district residency requirements for enrollment and for school emergency purposes.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35145 Public meetings

35163 Official actions, minutes and journal

35250-35255 Records and reports

44031 Personnel file contents and inspection

49065 Reasonable charge for transcripts

49069 Absolute right to access

CIVIL CODE

1798.29 Breach of security involving personal information

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

1985.8 Electronic Discovery Act

2031.010-2031.060 Civil Discovery Act, scope of discovery demand

2031.210-2031.320 Civil Discovery Act, response to inspection demand

GOVERNMENT CODE

6205-6210 Confidentiality of addresses for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking

6252-6265 Inspection of public records

12946 Retention of employment applications and records for two years

PENAL CODE

11170 Retention of child abuse reports

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

430 Individual student records; definition

432 Varieties of student records

16020-16022 Records, general provisions

16023-16027 Retention of records

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.8 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Secretary of State: <http://www.sos.ca.gov/safeathome>

Washington Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

District Records

AR 3580

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Classification of Records

Records means all records, maps, books, papers, and documents of a school district required by law to be prepared or retained as necessary or convenient to the discharge of official duty. (5 CCR 16020)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

Before January 1, the Superintendent or designee shall review the prior year's records and shall classify them as either a Class 1 (Permanent), Class 2 (Optional), or Class 3 (Disposable) record. (5 CCR 16022)

Records of continuing nature (active and useful for administrative, legal, fiscal, or other purposes over a period of years) shall not be classified until such usefulness has ceased. (5 CCR 16022)

An inventory of equipment shall be a continuing record and shall not be classified until the inventory is superseded or until the equipment is removed from district ownership. (5 CCR 16022)

(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

A student's cumulative record is a continuing record until the student ceases to be enrolled in the district. (5 CCR 16022)

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

When an electronic or photographed copy of a Class 1 (Permanent) record has been made, the copy may be classified as Class 1 (Permanent) and the original classified as either Class 2 (Optional) or Class 3 (Disposable). However, no original record that is basic to any required audit may be destroyed prior to the second July 1st succeeding the completion of the audit. (Education Code 35254)

Class 1 - Permanent Records

The original of each of the following records, or one exact copy of it when the original is

required by law to be filed with another agency, is a Class 1 (Permanent) record and shall be retained indefinitely unless microfilmed in accordance with 5 CCR 16022: (5 CCR 16023)

1. Annual Reports

- a. Official budget
- b. Financial reports of all funds, including cafeteria and student body funds
- c. Audit of all funds
- d. Average daily attendance, including Period 1 and Period 2 reports
- e. Other major annual reports, including:

(1) Those containing information relating to property, activities, financial condition, or transactions

(2) Those declared by Governing Board minutes to be permanent

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 3452 - Student Activity Funds)

(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

2. Official Actions

- a. Minutes of the Board or Board committees, including the text of rules, regulations, policies, or resolutions included by reference only
- b. The call for and the result of any elections called, conducted, or canvassed by the Board
- c. Records transmitted by another agency pertaining to its action with respect to district reorganization

(cf. 7214 - General Obligation Bonds)

(cf. 9324 - Minutes and Recordings)

3. Personnel Records

Class 1 (Permanent) records include all detailed records relating to employment; assignment; amounts and dates of service rendered; termination or dismissal of an employee in any position; sick leave record; rate of compensation, salaries, or wages paid; and deductions or withholdings made and the person or agency to whom such amounts were paid. In lieu of the detailed records, a complete proven summary payroll record for each employee containing the same data may be classified as a Class 1 (Permanent) record and the detailed records may then be classified

as Class 3 (Disposable) records.

Information of a derogatory nature as defined in Education Code 44031 shall be retained as a Class 1 (Permanent) record only when the time for filing a grievance has passed or the document has been sustained by the grievance process.

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)

(cf. 4112.5/4212.5/4312.5 - Criminal Record Check)

4. Student Records

The records of enrollment and scholarship for each student required by 5 CCR 432 and all records pertaining to any accident or injury involving a minor for which a claim for damages had been filed as required by law shall be classified as Class 1 (Permanent) records. These include any related policy of liability insurance except that these records cease to be Class 1 (Permanent) records one year after the claim has been settled or the statute of limitations has expired.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

5. Property Records

Class 1 (Permanent) records include all detailed records relating to land, buildings, and equipment. In lieu of detailed records, a complete property ledger may be classified as a Class 1 (Permanent) record. The detailed records may then be classified as Class 3 (Disposable) records if the property ledger includes all fixed assets; an equipment inventory; and, for each piece of property, the date of acquisition, name of previous owner, a legal description, the amount paid, and comparable data if the unit is disposed of.

(cf. 3280 - Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property)

Class 2 - Optional Records

Any record considered temporarily worth keeping, but which is not a Class 1 record, may be classified as a Class 2 (Optional) record and shall be retained until it is reclassified as a Class 3 (Disposable) record. If, by agreement of the Board and Superintendent or designee, classification of the prior year records has not been made before January 1 as specified in 5 CCR 16022, all records of the prior year may be classified as Class 2 (Optional) records pending further review and classification within one year. (5 CCR 16024)

Class 3 - Disposable Records

All records not classified as Class 1 (Permanent) or as Class 2 (Optional) records shall be classified as Class 3 (Disposable) records. These include, but are not limited to, detailed records basic to audit, including those relating to attendance, average daily attendance, or business or

financial transactions; detailed records used in preparing another report; teachers' registers if all information required by 5 CCR 432 is retained in other records or if the General Records pages are removed from the register and classified as Class 1 (Permanent) records; and periodic reports, including daily, weekly, and monthly reports, bulletins, and instructions. (5 CCR 16025)

All Class 3 (Disposable) records shall be destroyed during the third school year after the school year in which the records originated. In addition, Class 3 (Disposable) records shall not be destroyed until after the third school year following the completion of any legally required audit or the retention period required by any agency other than the State of California, whichever is later. A continuing record shall not be destroyed until the fourth year after it has been classified as a Class 3 (Disposable) record. (5 CCR 16026, 16027)

(cf. 5113.2 - Work Permits)

Electronically Stored Information

All district-related electronically stored information generated or received by a district employee shall be saved to an electronic file on the district's computer and retained for at least 180 days, or shall be printed by the employee and physically filed in a way that it can be easily retrieved when needed.

However, any district-related electronically stored information that qualifies as a record, as defined above, shall be classified and retained as specified in the section "Classification of Records" above.

District-related electronically stored information includes, but is not limited to, any email, voicemail, text message, word processing document, spreadsheet, or text document related to district business or generated in the course of an employee's official duty.

Employees shall be required to regularly purge their email accounts and district-issued computers, cell phones, and other communication devices of personal electronically stored information and other information unrelated to district business. The Superintendent or designee may check for appropriate use of any district-owned equipment at any time.

(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)

Any employee to whom a district-owned computer, cell phone, or other electronic communication device is provided shall be notified about the district's electronic information management system and, as necessary, provided training on effectively using the device.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Washington Unified School District

Board Policy

Consultants

BP 3600

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board authorizes the use of consultants to provide expert professional advice or specialized technical or training services which are not needed on a continuing basis and which cannot be provided by district staff because of limitations of time, experience or knowledge. Individuals, firms or organizations employed as consultants may assist management with decisions and/or project development related to financial, economic, accounting, engineering, legal, administrative, instructional or other matters.

As part of the contract process, the Superintendent or designee shall determine, in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines, that the consultant is properly classified as an independent contractor. District employees who perform extra-duty consultant services shall not be retained as independent contractors. They shall be considered employees for all purposes, even if the additional services are not related to their regular duties.

All consultant contracts shall be brought to the Board for approval.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

The district shall not contract for consulting services that can be performed without charge by a public agency or official unless these services are unavailable from the public source for reasons beyond the district's control.

All qualified firms or resource persons shall be accorded equal opportunity for consultant contracts regardless of race, creed, color, gender, national or ethnic origin, age or disability.

(cf. 3311 - Bids)

(cf. 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund)

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

Independent contractors applying for a consultant contract shall submit a written conflict of interest statement disclosing financial interests as determined necessary by the Superintendent or designee, depending on the range of duties to be performed by the consultant. The Superintendent or designee shall consider this statement when deciding whether to recommend the consultant's employment.

(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)

When employees of a public university, county office of education or other public agency serve

as consultant or resource persons for the district, they shall certify as part of the consultant agreement that they will not receive salary or remuneration other than vacation pay from any other public agency for the specific days when they work for this district.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

10400-10407 Cooperative improvement programs

35010 Control of districts; prescription and enforcement of rules

35172 Promotional activities

35204 Contract with attorney

17596 Limit on continuing contracts

44925 Part-time readers employed as independent contractors

45103 Classified service in districts not incorporating the merit system

45103.5 Contracts for food service consulting services

45134-45135 Employment of retired classified employee

45256 Merit system districts; classified service; positions established for professional experts on a temporary basis

GOVERNMENT CODE

53060 Contract for special services and advice

Management Resources:

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE PUBLICATIONS

15-A Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide

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