

# Annual Notification to Parents/Guardians

**2019-2020 School Year** 

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## 1. ABSENCES

# Excused Absences (Ed. Code §§ 46010.1, 48200, 48205, 48980)

Except when attendance is excused, students between the ages of 6 and 18 years are required by law to attend school and parents must compel their students to do so. Students will be excused from school for the following reasons:

- (1) Illness of the student.
- (2) Quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer.
- (3) Securing medical, dental, optometric, or chiropractic services.
- (4) Attendance at the funeral services of a member of the student's immediate family, so long as the absence is not more than one day if the service is conducted in California, and not more than three days if the service is conducted outside California.
- (5) Jury duty.
- (6) Illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the student is the custodial parent, including absences to care for a sick child for which the school staff shall not require a note from a doctor.
- (7) For justifiable personal reasons, including, but not limited to, an appearance in court, attendance at a funeral service, observance of a holiday or ceremony of the student's religion, attendance at religious retreats, attendance at an employment conference, or attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization when the student's absence is requested in writing by the parent and approved by the principal or a designated representative. Attendance at religious retreats cannot exceed four hours per semester.
- (8) Service as a member of a precinct board for an election.
- (9) Spending time with a member of the student's immediate family, who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from, deployment to a combat zone or combat support position; such absences will be granted for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the Superintendent.
- (10) Attendance of the student's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen.
- (11) Obtaining confidential medical services without parental consent.

A student may not have their grade reduced or lose academic credit for any excused absence(s) if missed assignments and tests that can reasonably be provided are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time.

# Absences for Religious Purposes (Ed. Code § 46014)

With parent written consent, a student may be excused from school to attend religious exercises or classes away from school. Such absences may not exceed four days per month. An excused student must nevertheless maintain his or her attendance at the minimum level of school days required for his or her grade.

## 2. ATTENDANCE

## Attendance Options (Ed. Code §§ 35160.5, 46600 et seq., 48350 et seq., 48980)

California law requires all school boards to inform parents of all existing statutory attendance options and local attendance options available in the District. Students who attend schools other than those assigned by the District are referred to as "transfer students" throughout this Notice.

# **Open Enrollment**

Whenever a student is attending a District school on the Open Enrollment List, as identified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, he or she may apply to transfer to another school within or outside of the District, if the school to which he or she is transferring has a higher Academic Performance Index. Districts with a school on the Open Enrollment List must notify the parents at that school on or before the first day of the school year of their option to transfer to another public school. Information regarding the application process and applicable deadlines can be obtained from the District office. See Appendix for the District's policy on Open Enrollment.

# Current Statutory and Local Attendance and Programmatic Options in the District

Students may elect to attend one, or a combination of the schools or programs listed below, unless restricted by Board Policy related to racial/ethnic balance and schools currently over capacity.

a. <u>Tulare Union High School, Tulare Western High School, and Mission Oak High School</u>
Tulare Union, Tulare Western, and Mission Oak are 9-12 grade comprehensive high schools, which offer a full range of academic and vocational programs.

# b. Tulare Tech Prep

Tulare Tech Prep is a 9-12 grade continuation high school, which offers the required courses for graduation plus several job preparation programs intended to familiarize students with a variety of occupations.

# c. Sierra Vista Charter High School

Sierra Vista Charter High School (SVCHS) is a public charter through the Tulare Joint Union High School District and serves students in grades 9-12 who are looking for a smaller, more flexible learning environment than the traditional public high school setting. Sierra Vista Charter High School is a hybrid independent study program and is open to any resident of Tulare, Fresno, Kern, Kings and Inyo counties.

# d. Countryside High School

Countryside High School provides an opportunity for students in grades 9-12 who are best served by a small classroom environment. The academic curriculum is joined with a behavior management program and mental health services provided by a full time therapist and case managers.

## e. <u>Tulare Adult School</u>

The Tulare Adult School offers classes required for the high school diploma, citizenship and ESL (English as a Second Language) and is available to all students who are 18 years and older. Students may take adult school classes concurrently with high school classes as needed.

# f. Accelerated Charter High School

Accelerated Charter High School (ACHS), will provide students grades 11-12 the opportunity to accelerate credits in a smaller high school setting. Students will be able to earn required graduation credits and concurrently enroll in career technical courses through College of the Sequoias.

# **Attendance Options for 2019-2020**

- a. On or before **November 1, 2019,** the superintendent or designee shall identify those schools with the district that may have available capacity for additional students. This determination shall be made utilizing state and/or contract capacity calculations indicating overcrowded schools. A list of those schools that are over crowded as well as those schools that have potential for additional students shall be made available, along with intra-district transfer applications, at all school offices.
- b. All students who submit applications to the district between the open enrollment period of **November 1, 2019**, through **December 20, 2019**, shall be eligible for consideration for admission to their school of preference. Students living within the established attendance boundary shall have first priority for school enrollment. No applications shall be accepted after the **December 20, 2019**, deadline for intra-district transfer consideration.
- c. Enrollment in a particular school shall be determined by lot from the eligible applicant pool if the applicant pool exceeds the number of enrollment openings as determined by the rated capacity calculation.
- d. Intra-district applications for transfer are available from the Tulare Joint Union High School District office, 426 North Blackstone Street, Tulare or are available to print out online at <a href="https://www.tjuhsd.org">www.tjuhsd.org</a>.
- e. All transfer requests approved by the Board are restricted to that student only and <u>does not apply to any younger siblings in the family as they enter high school</u>.

#### **Intradistrict Transfers Requests**

- a. For **2019-2020** the Board will consider intra-district transfer requests only under the following conditions:
  - 1. Ed. Code § 35160.5
  - 2. Siblings In order to qualify for an intra-district transfer based on the sibling condition, a family must have at least two children in a high school at the same time. Once the chain is broken, a student must attend the high school assigned to their attendance area.

- 3. Staff Member Student as per Administrative Regulation (AR 5116.1).
- 4. Space Available at a particular site.

## **Interdistrict Transfers**

California law allows two or more school districts to enter into an agreement for the transfer of one or more students for a period of up to five years. New agreements may be entered into for additional periods of up to five years each. The agreement must specify the terms and conditions under which transfers are permitted or denied. Districts of residence may not deny a transfer of a student whose parent is active duty military where the district of proposed enrollment approves the application. No district is required to provide transportation to a student who transfers into the district. If either district denies a transfer request, a parent may appeal that decision to the county board of education within 30 calendar days from the date of the final denial. There are specified timelines in the law for the county board of education to make a decision. See Appendix for the District's policy on Interdistrict Transfers.

# Residency Requirements (Ed. Code §§ 48200, 48204, 48204.3, 48204.4, 48206.3, 48207, 48208, 48853.5, 48980)

The District desires to admit all students who reside within the District boundaries or who fulfill the District residency requirements through other means as allowed by law. A student shall be deemed to have complied with the District's residency requirements if any of the following are met:

**Residency** - The student's parent or legal guardian resides within the District's boundaries.

**Children of Military Service Members** - The student's parent or legal guardian is transferred or is pending transfer to a military installation within the state while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order. The District must accept applications by electronic means for enrollment, including enrollment in a specific school or program within the District, and for course registration. The parent must provide proof of residency in the District within 10 days after the published arrival date provided on official documentation.

**Licensed Children's Institution, Foster Home, or Family Home** - The student is placed within the District's boundaries in a regularly established licensed children's institution, a licensed foster home, or a family home pursuant to court order.

**Foster Children** - The student is a foster child who remains in his or her school of origin. When a student's foster student status is terminated by the juvenile court during the school year, former foster students in grades K through eighth must be allowed to finish the school year in his or her school of origin. Former foster students in grades ninth through twelfth must be allowed to continue attending their schools of origin through graduation.

**Interdistrict Attendance** - The student has been admitting through an interdistrict attendance option, such as an interdistrict attendance agreement, or Open Enrollment Act transfer.

**Emancipated Minor** - The student resides within the District's boundaries and whose parent or legal guardian has been relieved of responsibility, control, and authority through emancipation.

**Caregiving Adult** - The student lives with a caregiving adult within the District's boundaries and the caregiving adult submits an affidavit to that effect.

**State Hospital** - The student resides in a state hospital located within the District's boundaries.

**Parent's Employment -** The Student's parent or legal guardian resides outside of the District's boundaries but is employed within the District's boundaries and lives with the student at the place of employment for a minimum of three days during the school week.

**Students of Detained or Deported Parents -** The student's parent has departed California against his or her will, and the student can provide official documentation evidencing the departure; and the student moved outside of California as a result of his or her parent leaving the state against his or her will, and the student lived in California immediately before

moving outside the state. The student must provide evidence of enrollment in a California public school immediately before moving outside the state. Deported parents may designate another adult to attend school meetings and to serve as an emergency contact. No charges or fees of any kind may be required for admission or attendance in these circumstances. This law applies to parents who were: (1) in the custody of a government agency and were transferred to another state; (2) subject to a lawful removal order and who were removed or were permitted to leave California voluntarily before being removed; and (3) subject to any additional circumstances consistent with these purposes, as determined by the District.

The District may deem a student to have met residency requirements for school attendance if at least one parent or legal guardian of the student is physically employed within the boundaries of that district for a minimum of 10 hours during the school week, subject to the right of the district of residence or the district of employment to prohibit the transfer on various grounds provided for in Education Code section 48204(b), paragraphs (2) to (6). The District is not required to admit the student to its school based on the employment of the parent, but it may not refuse to admit the student on the basis of race, ethnicity, sex, parental income, scholastic achievement, or any other arbitrary consideration. Once a student has been deemed to have residency and is enrolled in the District on this basis, the student does not have to reapply in the next school year to attend a school within the District, and the governing board shall allow the student to attend school through the 12th grade in the District if the parent so chooses and if at least one parent continues to be physically employed in the District.

# **Temporary Disability (Ed. Code §§ 48206.3, 48207, 48207.3, 48208, 48980)**

A student whose temporary disability makes school attendance impossible or inadvisable must receive individual instruction either at home provided by the school district in which the student resides or in a hospital or other residential health facility, excluding state hospitals, provided by the school district in which the hospital or residential facility is located. "Temporary disability" means a physical, mental or emotional disability incurred while a student is enrolled in regular day classes or an alternative education program to which the student can reasonably be expected to return. "Temporary disability" does not include a disability that would qualify a student as a "student with exceptional needs" under Education Code section 56026.

A student with a temporary disability, who is in a hospital or other residential health facility, excluding a state hospital, located outside of the district in which the student's parent resides, complies with the school district's residency requirements for school attendance in the school district in which the hospital is located. Once the parent has notified the district in which the hospital is located of the student's presence in the qualifying hospital, the district has five working days to notify the parent if individualized instruction shall be made available. If the determination is positive, individualized instruction will begin within five working days.

Students enrolled in individual instruction in a hospital or other residential health facility for a partial week, are entitled to attend school in his or her school district of residence, or to receive individual instruction provided by the school district of residence in the student's home, on days in which he or she is not receiving individual instruction in a hospital or other residential health facility, if he or she is well enough to do so.

When a student receiving individual instruction is well enough to return to school, he or she must be allowed to return to the school that he or she attended immediately before receiving individual instruction was initiated. Absences from the student's regular school program due to the student's temporary disability are excused until the student is able to return to the regular school program.

# Students in Active Military Families - Residency Retention and Matriculation (Ed. Code §§ 48204.6, 48980)

A student living in the household of an active duty military service member must be allowed to continue attending the student's school of origin for the remainder of the school year if the family moves.

A student from an active duty military family who is transitioning between school grade levels must be allowed to continue in the school district of origin and in the same attendance area of his/her school of origin. If the student is transitioning to middle school or high school, and the school designated for matriculation is in another school district, the local educational agency must allow the student to continue to the school designated for matriculation in that school district. The new school must immediately enroll the student, even if the child has outstanding fees, fines, textbooks, or other items or moneys due to the school last attended, or if the student is unable to produce clothing or records normally required for enrollment.

If the parent or legal guardian's military service ends during the school year, then the student is allowed to stay in his or her school of origin for the remainder of the school year if he or she is in grades 1-8, or through graduation if the student is in high school.

Immigration Enforcement - "Know Your Rights" (Ed. Code § 234.7) - All students have the right to a free public education, regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs. For more information, please see the resources developed by the California Attorney General at https://www.oag.ca.gov/immigrant/rights.

**Notice of Alternative Schools (Ed. Code § 58501)** - California state law authorizes all school districts to provide for alternative schools. Section 58500 of the Education Code defines alternative school as a school or separate class group within a school, which is operated in a manner designed to:

- (1) Maximize the opportunity for students to develop the positive values of self-reliance, initiative, kindness, spontaneity, resourcefulness, courage, creativity, responsibility, and joy.
- (2) Recognize that the best learning takes place when the student learns because of his desire to learn.
- (3) Maintain a learning situation maximizing student self-motivation and encouraging the student in his own time to follow his own interests. These interests may be conceived by him totally and independently or may result in whole or in part from a presentation by his teachers of choices of learning projects.
- (4) Maximize the opportunity for teachers, parents and students to cooperatively develop the learning process and its subject matter. This opportunity shall be a continuous, permanent process.
- (5) Maximize the opportunity for the students, teachers, and parents to continuously react to the changing world, including but not limited to the community in which the school is located.

In the event any parent, student, or teacher is interested in further information concerning alternative schools, the county superintendent of schools, the administrative office of this district, and the principal's office in each attendance unit have copies of the law available for your information. This law particularly authorizes interested persons to request the governing board of the district to establish alternative school programs in each district.

# Transfer of Student Convicted of Violent Felony or Misdemeanor (Ed. Code §§ 48929, 48980)

The District's governing board has adopted Board Policy 5116.2 that allows for the transfer of students who have been convicted of violent felonies and designated misdemeanors to another school within the District if the offending student and the victim of the crime are enrolled at the same school, if certain requirements are satisfied.

# 3. <u>COMPLAINTS</u>

# Uniform Complaint Procedures (Ed. Code §§ 262.3, 33315; 5 C.C.R. §§ 4610, 4622, 4632)

The District has established Uniform Complaint Procedures ("UCP") to address allegations of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying, and complaints alleging violation of state or federal laws governing educational programs, the charging of unlawful pupil fees, and the non-compliance of the District's Local Control and Accountability Plan. See Appendix for the District's UCP.

The UCP addresses all allegations of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against any protected group as identified in Education Code section 200 and 200, and Government Code section 11135, including any actual or perceived characteristics as set forth in Penal Code section 422.55 or on the basis or a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics in any program or activity conducted by the District that if funded directly by, or that receives or benefits from any state financial assistance. The UCP shall also be used when addressing complaints alleging failure to comply with state and/or federal laws in:

- Adult Education
- After School Education and Safety
- Agricultural Career Technical Education
- American Indian Education Centers and Early Childhood Education Program Assessments
- Bilingual Education
- California Peer Assistance and Review Programs for Teachers
- Career Technical and Technical Education; Career Technical; Technical Training
- Career Technical Education
- Child Care and Development
- Compensatory Education
- Consolidated Categorical Aid
- Course Periods Without Educational Content
- Economic Impact Aid

- Education of Students in Foster Care, Students Who Are Homeless, Former Juvenile Court Students Now Enrolled in a School District, and Children of Military Families
- Every Student Succeeds/No Child Left Behind
- Local Control Accountability Plans
- Migrant Education
- Physical Education Instructional Minutes
- Pupil Fees
- Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Student
- Regional Occupational Centers and Programs
- School Safety Plans
- State Preschool Health and Safety Issues
- Tobacco-Use Prevention Education

The **Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources** shall receive and investigate complaints submitted under the District's UCP and ensure District compliance with the law. For more information concerning the filing of uniform complaints, copies of the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations pertaining to the District's UCP are available free of charge upon request at the school office.

Except for complaints submitted under the District's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures, a complainant may appeal a decision made under the District's UCP to the California Department of Education by filing a written appeal within 15 days of receiving the decision. The appeal must be accompanied by a copy of the complaint filed with the District and a copy of the District's decision.

A complainant may pursue available civil law remedies outside of the District's UCP. Civil law remedies that may be imposed by a court include, but are not limited to, injunctions, restraining orders, or other remedies or orders that may be available under state or federal discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying laws, if applicable.

Uniform Complaint Procedures - Specific Complaints (Ed. Code §§ 48853, 48853.5, 49010, 49011, 49013, 49069.5, 51225.2, 52075; 5 C.C.R. § 4630)

Complaints alleging non-compliance with specific state laws identified below may be submitted under the District's UCP. If a complainant is not satisfied with the District's decision, the complainant may appeal to the California Department of Education and will receive a written decision within 60 days.

**Pupil Fees** - A pupil enrolled in a public school shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity. A pupil fee includes, but is not limited to, all of the following: (1) a fee charged to a pupil as a condition for registering for school or classes, or as a condition for participation in a class or an extracurricular activity, regardless of whether the class or activity is elective or compulsory, or is for credit; (2) a security deposit, or other payment, that a pupil is required to make to obtain a lock, locker, book, class apparatus, musical instrument, clothes, or other materials or equipment; and (3) a purchase that a pupil is required to make to obtain materials, supplies, equipment, or clothes associated with an educational activity. A complaint alleging the imposition of pupil fees for participation in educational activities may be filed with the school's principal under the UCP not later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred. A complaint may be filed anonymously if the complainant provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support the complaint.

**Local Control Accountability Plan -** School districts, charter schools and county offices of education are required to adopt and annually update their Local Control Accountability Plans ("LCAPs"). A complaint alleging noncompliance with the LCAP may be filed under the District's UCP and may be filed anonymously. A complaint may be filed anonymously if the complainant provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support the complaint.

Graduation and Coursework Requirements for Foster Youth, Homeless Students, Former Juvenile Court Students, Students Living in Active Duty Military Households, and Migratory and Newly Arrived Immigrant Students Participating in a "Newcomer Program." - State law outlines the rights afforded to students in foster care, who are homeless, who are former juvenile court school students, students living in the household of a parent who is an active duty member of the military, and migratory and newly arrived immigrant students participating in a "Newcomer Program," which is a program designed to meet the academic and transitional needs of newly arrived immigrant students including, but not limited to, rights regarding a student's school of origin, enrollment, credits, graduation, college, discipline, records, and/or certain non-educational rights. A notice summarizing the rights of foster youth is available online through the California Department of Education at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/fy/documents/fosteryouthrights.pdf.

# **Lactation Accommodations for Parenting Students (Ed. Code § 222)**

A school operated by a school district or a county office of education, the California School for the Deaf, the California School for the Blind, and a charter school must provide reasonable accommodations to a lactating student on a school campus to express milk, breast-feed an infant child, or address other needs related to breastfeeding. Reasonable accommodations under this section include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

- Access to a private and secure room, other than a restroom, to express breast milk or breast-feed an infant child.
- Permission to bring onto a school campus a breast pump and any other equipment used to express breast milk.
- Access to a power source for a breast pump or any other equipment used to express breast milk.
- Access to a place to store expressed breast milk safely.
- A reasonable amount of time to accommodate the need to express breast milk or breast-feed an infant child.

A student may not incur an academic penalty as a result of her use of reasonable lactation accommodations and must be provided an opportunity to make up any work missed due to such use.

A complaint of noncompliance with the requirements of this provision may be filed under the District's Uniform Complaint Procedures. Complainants not satisfied with the District's decision may appeal the decision to the California Department of Education and receive a written decision within 60 days. If the District finds merit in a complaint, or if the Superintendent finds merit in an appeal, the District will provide a remedy to the affected student.

# Pregnant and Parenting Student Rights (Ed. Code §§ 221.51, 46015)

The District cannot apply any rule concerning a student's actual or potential parental, family, or marital status that treats students differently on the basis of sex. The District cannot exclude or deny any student from any educational program or activity, including class or extracurricular activity, solely on the basis of the student's pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery therefrom.

The District may require any student to obtain the certification of a physician or nurse practitioner that the student is physically and emotionally able to continue participation in the regular education program or activity.

Pregnant or parenting students cannot be required to participate in pregnant minor programs or alternative education programs. Pregnant or parenting students who voluntarily participate in alternative education programs will be given educational programs, activities, and courses equal to those they would have been in if participating in the regular education program.

The District must treat pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, and recovery therefrom in the same manner and under the same policies as any other temporary disabling condition.

Pregnant or parenting students are entitled to eight weeks of parental leave, which the student may take before the birth of the student's infant if there is a medical necessity and after childbirth during the school year in which the birth takes place, inclusive of any mandatory summer instruction, in order to protect the health of the student who gives or expects to give birth and the infant, and to allow the pregnant or parenting student to care for and bond with the infant. The student, if the student is 18 years of age or older, or, if the student is under 18 years of age, the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student, shall notify the school of the student's intent to exercise this right. Failure to notify the school shall not reduce these rights. A pregnant or parenting student who does not wish to take all or part of the parental leave to which he or she is entitled shall not be required to do so. A pregnant or parenting student is entitled to receive more than eight weeks of parental leave if deemed medically necessary by the student's physician.

When a student takes parental leave, the supervisor of attendance shall ensure that absences from the student's regular school program are excused until the student is able to return to the regular school program or an alternative education program. During parental leave, the District shall not require a pregnant or parenting student to complete academic work or other school requirements.

A pregnant or parenting student may return to the school and the course of study in which he or she was enrolled before taking parental leave. Upon return to school after taking parental leave, a pregnant or parenting student is entitled to opportunities to make up work missed during his or her leave, including, but not limited to, makeup work plans and reenrollment in courses.

Notwithstanding any other law, a pregnant or parenting student may remain enrolled for a fifth year of instruction in the school in which the student was previously enrolled when it is necessary in order for the student to be able to complete state and any local graduation requirements, unless the District makes a finding that the student is reasonably able to complete the District's graduation requirements in time to graduate from high school by the end of the student's fourth year of high school.

A student who chooses not to return to the school in which he or she was enrolled before taking parental leave is entitled to alternative education options offered by the District. A pregnant or parenting student who participates in an alternative education program shall be given educational programs, activities, and courses equal to those he or she would have been in if participating in the regular education program.

A student shall not incur an academic penalty as a result of his or her use of these accommodations. A complaint of noncompliance with these requirements by be filed with the District under its UCP.

# Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures (Ed. Code § 35186; 5 C.C.R. §§ 4680, 4681)

The District's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures address the sufficiency of instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health and safety of students or staff, and teacher vacancies or misassignments. See Appendix for the District's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures - Administrative Regulation 1312.4. The school principal, or the designee of the Superintendent, shall make all reasonable efforts to investigate complaints submitted under the District's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures.

Nondiscrimination (Ed. Code § 200, 220, 234.1, 48985; 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1688, 6311-6312; 29 U.S.C. § 794; 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d-d7, 12101-12213; 28 C.F.R. § 35.106; 34 C.F.R. §§ 104.8, 106.8, 106.9)

State and/or federal law prohibit discrimination in the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in federally financed education programs or activities. District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination, including harassment, intimidation, and bullying, based on any of the following actual or perceived characteristics:

- Age
- Ancestry
- Color
- Ethnicity
- Ethnic group identification
- Gender, including a person's gender identity and gender expression, which is a person's gender-related appearance and behavior whether or not stereotypically associated with a person's assigned sex at birth
- Genetic information
- Immigration status
- Lack of English skills
- Marital, family, or parental status
- Nationality or national origin

- Physical or mental disability
- Race
- Religion or religious creed, including agnosticism, atheism, and all aspects of religious belief, observance, and practice
- Sex, including discrimination against a student based on pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy or recovery from pregnancy or childbirth-related conditions, or denial of lactation accommodations for lactating students
- Sexual orientation, including heterosexuality, homosexuality, and bisexuality

Harassment, intimidation, or bullying based upon a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics is also prohibited. Any questions or concerns about noncompliance can be directed to Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Address: 426 North Blackstone, Tulare, California 93274, Office: (559) 688-2021. See Appendix for the District's policy on Nondiscrimination/Harassment.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act prohibit discrimination against qualified disabilities individuals in federally financed education programs or activities. The District does not discrimination in admission or access to its programs or activities. In the event of a complaint regarding discrimination based upon an actual or perceived mental or physical disability, please contact the District's **Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources**, **Address: 426 North Blackstone**, **Tulare**, **California 93274**, **Office: (559) 688-2021**.

# Sexual Harassment Policy (Ed. Code § 231.5, 48980; 5 C.C.R. § 4917)

See Appendix for the District's policy on sexual harassment.

# 4. DISCIPLINE

# Rules; School Discipline (Ed. Code §§ 35291, 48980)

The District's Governing Board has adopted rules and regulations pertaining to student discipline, including Board Policies: 5144, 5144.1, and 5114.2 and Administrative Regulations: 5144 and 5144.2. Parents may request a copy of such rules and regulations.

# Required Parental Attendance (Ed. Code §§ 48900.1, 48914)

Parents may be required to attend their student's class if he or she is suspended for unruly or disruptive conduct.

# 5. FACILITIES AND SAFETY

# Management Plan for Asbestos-Containing Material (40 C.F.R. §§ 763.84, 763.93)

The District has, available upon request, a complete and updated management plan for asbestos-containing material.

# Use of Pesticide Products (Ed. Code §§ 48980.3, 17611.5, 17612)

All schools are required to provide parents with annual notice of expected pesticide use at schools. See Appendix for a List of Pesticide Products, including name of each pesticide product, active ingredient(s) and the Internet address for further information. Please contact **Director of Maintenance and Operations** at the District Office at (559) 688-2021, if you wish to receive written notification at least 72 hours prior to the application of an individual pesticide at your school. Each school will maintain a list of parents who want to be notified before individual pesticide applications are made. Prior to the application of any pesticide, the District will post a warning sign at the area to be treated at least 24 hours prior to the pesticide application and such sign will remain posted for at least 72 hours after the application. In the event of an emergency condition, advance notification and prior sign posting may not be feasible, but a warning sign will be posted immediately upon application of the pesticide.

Parents may view a copy of the school's integrated pest management plan at the school site office. You can find more information regarding these pesticides and pesticide use reduction at the Department of Pesticide Regulation's School IPM Web site at: http://www.schoolipm.info. If you have any questions, please contact the Tulare Joint Union High School District at (559) 688-2021.

# 6. **HEALTH & IMMUNIZATIONS**

## Administration of Prescribed Medication (Ed. Code §§ 48980, 49423, 49480)

Any student who is required to take, during the regular school day, medication prescribed for him or her by a physician and surgeon or ordered for him or her by a physician assistant, may be assisted by the school nurse or other designated school personnel if the District receives the following: (1) a written statement from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant detailing the name of the medication, method, amount, and time schedules by which the medication is to be taken, and (2) a written statement from the student's parent, indicating the desire that the District assist the student in the matters set forth in the statement of the physician and surgeon or physician assistant. These written statements must be provided at least annually and more frequently if the medication, dosage, frequency of administration, or reason for administration changes.

Any student who is required to take, during the regular school day, medication prescribed for him or her by a physician and surgeon or ordered for him or her by a physician assistant, may carry and self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine if the District receives the following: (1) a written statement from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant detailing the name of the medication, method, amount, and time schedules by which the medication is to be taken, and confirming that the student is able to self-administer auto-injectable epinephrine, and (2) parent written consent to the self-administration, a release for the school nurse or other designated school personnel to consult with the health care provider of the student regarding any questions that may arise with regard to the medication, and an agreement to release the District and school personnel from civil liability if the self-administering student suffers an adverse reaction as a result

of self-administering medication. These written statements must be provided at least annually and more frequently if the medication, dosage, frequency of administration, or reason for administration changes. Students may be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Education Code section 48900 for using auto-injectable epinephrine in a manner other than as prescribed.

Parents of any student on continuing medication for a non-episodic condition must inform the school nurse or other designated certificated school employee of the medication being taken, the current dosage and the name of the supervising physician. With parent consent, the school nurse may communicate with the student's physician and may counsel school personnel regarding the possible effects of the drug, as well as possible behavioral signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omission, or overdose.

# **Inhaled Asthma Medication (Ed. Code § 49423.1)**

Any student who is required to take, during the regular school day, medication prescribed for him or her by a physician or surgeon, may be assisted by the school nurse or other designated personnel if the District receives the following: (1) a written statement from the physician or surgeon detailing the medication name, method, amount, and time schedules by which the medication is to be taken, and (2) a written statement from the student's parent requesting that the District assist the student in the administration of medication set forth in the physician or surgeon's written statement. These written statements must be provided at least annually and more frequently if the medication, dosage, frequency of administration, or reason for administration changes.

Any student who is required to take, during the regular school day, medication prescribed for her or her by a physician or surgeon, may carry and self-administer inhaled asthma medication if the District receives the following: (1) a physician or surgeon's written statement confirming that the child is able to self-administer the medication and detailing the name of the medication, the method, amount and time schedules for administration, and (2) parent written consent to the self-administration, a release for the school nurse or other designated school personnel allowing them to consult with the student's physician, and an agreement to release the District and school personnel from civil liability in the event of an adverse reaction as a result of self-administering medication. These written statements must be provided to the school at least annually or more frequently if the medication, dosage, frequency of, or reason for, the administration changes. Students may be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Education Code section 48900 for using inhaled asthma medication in a non-prescribed manner.

# Physical Examination Exemptions (Ed. Code §§ 48980, 49451)

Parents may exempt their student from physical examinations at school by annually filing a written statement with the school principal refusing such an exam. However, when there is a good reason to believe that a student exempted from physical examination is suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious disease, he or she will be sent home and will not be permitted to return to school until school authorities are satisfied that any contagious or infectious disease does not exist.

## **Medical & Hospital Services for Students (Ed. Code § 49472)**

The District does provide or make available medical and/or hospital services for students injured on school grounds, or while being transported to or from any school activity or event. The service shall be provided only with the consent of the parent, or the student if he or she is not a minor. Please contact the school or District office regarding such medical service.

## **Student Insurance**

The district <u>DOES NOT</u> carry student health or accident insurance. This district does, however, make available a reasonably-priced individual student accident policy and <u>strongly urges</u> parents/guardians to invest in this policy if other family insurance is unavailable. (*Education Code: 49472*)

# Mental Health Services for Students (Ed. Code § 49428)

Student mental health services are available through the school's psychologist by contacting the school's counseling office or through **Tulare Youth Services Bureau (TYSB)**, **Address:** 327 South "K" Street, Tulare, California, 93274, **Phone:** (559) 686-9772.

# Immunizations and Control of Communicable Disease (Ed. Code §§ 49403, 48216, 48980; H. & S. Code §§ 120335, 120370)

The District cooperates with the local health officer in the control and prevention of communicable diseases in school-age children. If a parent consents in writing, the District may permit any person licensed as a physician and surgeon, or a health care practitioner (including a physician assistant, nurse practitioner, registered nurse, licensed vocation nurse, or nursing student who is acting under the supervision of a registered nurse as provided by law) who is acting under the direction of a supervising physician and surgeon, to administer an immunizing agent to his/her student.

Students must be immunized against certain diseases before being admitted to school, unless exempted for medical reasons. Students who had a signed waiver based on religious or personal beliefs on file by January 1, 2016, will be exempt from the immunizations requirement until they complete the "grade span" they were in as of January 1, 2016. Grade spans are: (1) birth through preschool, (2) Kindergarten through 6th grade, and (3) 7th through 12th grade. Students entering the District for the first time or advancing to 7th grade after July 1, 2016 will no longer be exempt from immunizations based on their religious or personal beliefs. The District must exclude from school any student who does not supply evidence of inoculation (for any of the diseases listed in Health & Safety Code section 120335), and will notify the parent that he/she has two weeks to supply evidence that the student is immunized.

#### **Child Nutrition; School Meals (Ed. Code §§ 49510-49520, 48980)**

The Tulare Joint Union High School District has adopted the **Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)** and serves one free breakfast and one free lunch per day to <u>all</u> enrolled students.

# 7. <u>INSTRUCTION</u>

# Minimum and Staff Development Days (Ed. Code § 48980)

See Appendix for the District's pupil-free staff development day and minimum day schedule. A student's parent will be notified during the school year of any additional minimum days or pupil-free staff development days no later than one month before the actual date.

## Career Counseling and Course Selection (Ed. Code § 221.5)

Counselors, teachers, instructors, administrators, and aides may not, on the basis of a student's sex, offer vocational or school program guidance to the student that is different from that offered to a student of the opposite sex in counseling, nor may a counselor differentiate career, vocational, or higher education opportunities on the basis of the sex of the student counseled. Any District personnel acting in a career counseling or course selection capacity shall affirmatively explore with the student the possibility of careers or courses leading to careers that are nontraditional for that student's sex.

#### Right to Refrain From the Harmful or Destructive Use of Animals (Ed. Code § 32255 et seq.)

Any student with a moral objection to dissecting, harming, or destroying animals shall notify his/her teacher regarding this objection. An alternative education project may be arranged if the teacher believes the alternative education project can provide the course of study in question. The alternative requires a comparable amount of time and effort, but must not be more arduous than the original project. The District requires a signed note from a parent indicating their child's objection.

# Special Education (Ed. Code § 56000 et seq.; 20 U.S.C. § 1412; 35 C.F.R. § 300.111)

Students with exceptional needs have a right to a free appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment. The District wants to locate, identify, and assess all children with disabilities whether homeless, wards of the state or enrolled in public or private schools. Parents should inform school officials if they have reason to believe their child has a disability requiring special services or accommodations. The child will be evaluated to determine whether he/she is eligible for free special instruction or services.

# Excuse from Health Instruction Based on Religious and Moral Grounds (Ed. Code § 51240)

Upon written request of a parent, a student shall be excused from any part of health instruction that conflicts with his/her religious training and beliefs (including personal moral convictions).

# Comprehensive Sexual Health Education and HIV/AIDS Prevention (Ed. Code §§ 51938, 51939, 48980)

A parent has the right to excuse his or her child from all or part of comprehensive sexual health education, HIV/AIDS prevention education, and assessments related to that education, as follows:

A parent may request in writing that his/her student be excused from participating in HIV/AIDS prevention or comprehensive sexual health education. Students so excused by their parent shall be given an alternative educational activity.

Parents may inspect the written and audio visual educational materials used in comprehensive sexual health education and HIV/AIDS prevention education. Parents have a right to request that the District provide them a copy of Education Code sections 51930-51939.

Every student's parent will be notified prior to the commencement of any comprehensive sexual health education and HIV/AIDS prevention education instruction as to the date of such instruction and whether the instruction will be taught by District personnel or by outside consultants. If outside consultants are used, the name of the organization of each guest speaker will be identified. Parents have a right to request that the District provide them a copy of Education Code sections 51933, 51934, and 51938.

Anonymous, voluntary and confidential research and evaluation tools to measure students' health behaviors and risks, including tests, questionnaires, and surveys containing age-appropriate questions about the students' attitudes concerning or practices relating to sex may be administered to pupils in grades 7-12. Parents will be notified in writing and given the opportunity to review such tests, questionnaires and surveys and be informed that in order to excuse their student, they must state their request in writing. If a school receives a written request from a parent excusing a student from this activity, the student may not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty or other sanction and an alternative educational activity must be made available to the student.

# Student Surveys, Tests, and Questionnaires Regarding Beliefs and Practices (Ed. Code §§ 51513, 60614; 20 U.S.C. § 1232h)

No test, questionnaire, survey, or examination which has questions about a student's or his/her parents' beliefs and practices in sex, family life, morality, religion, political affiliations or beliefs, illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior, mental or psychological problems, legally recognized privileged relationships (such as lawyer, physician, or minister), critical appraisals of individuals with whom you have close family relationships, or income (except as required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program) shall be administered without prior notification and written permission of the parent. Parents may inspect all instructional materials, including teacher's manuals, films, tapes or other supplementary material to be used in connection with any survey, analysis or evaluation.

# California Assessment of Student Performance & Progress (CAASPP) (Ed. Code §§ 60604, 60615, 60640; 5 C.C.R. § 852.)

Each year, parents will be notified regarding their student's participation in the CAASPP assessment system. Parents wanting to excuse their students from any or all parts of the CAASPP must submit a written request. Such written requests must be submitted to the school on an annual basis.

# Notification of Potential Failing Grade (Ed. Code §§ 49063, 49067)

Parents will be notified when a teacher has determined that your student is in danger of failing a course.

# Teacher and Paraprofessional Qualifications (20 U.S.C. § 6312)

Upon request, parents have a right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct their student. Federal law allows parents to request the following information: (1) If the student's teacher has met the state credential or license criteria for grade level and subject matter taught; (2) If the student's teacher is teaching under an emergency or other provisional status because of special circumstances; (3) If the teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher; and (4) If the student is receiving services from paraprofessional and, if so, their qualifications.

# 8. RECORDS

# Student Records Policy (Ed. Code §§ 49063, 49064; 5 C.C.R. § 432)

The District maintains mandatory permanent (kept indefinitely) and interim (may be destroyed after a stipulated length of time) student records. Mandatory permanent student records include the student's legal name; date of birth; method of verification of birth date; sex of student; name and address of parent of minor student; address of minor student if different from the above and annual verification of parent/guardians' name and address and students residence; entering and leaving date of each school year and for any summer session or other extra session; subjects taken during each year, half-year, summer session, or quarter; if marks or credit are given, the mark or number of credits toward graduation allows for work taken; verification of or exemption from required immunizations; and date of high school graduation or equivalent. Mandatory interim student records include Suspension and Expulsion Due Process, a log or record identifying those persons (except authorized school personnel) or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record; health information, including Child Health Developmental Disabilities Prevention Program verification or waiver; participation in special education programs including required tests, case studies, authorizations, and actions necessary to establish eligibility for admission or discharge; language training records; progress slips and/or notices; parental restrictions regarding access to directory information or related stipulations; parent or adult student rejoinders to challenged records and to disciplinary action; parental authorizations or prohibitions of student participation in specific programs; and results of standardized tests administered within the preceding three years and written findings resulting from an evaluation conducted after a specified number of missed assignments to determine whether it is in a student's best interest to remain in independent study. In addition, permitted student records (may be destroyed when no longer useful) are kept. Permitted student records include objective counselor and/or teacher ratings, standardized test results older than three years, routine discipline data, verified reports of relevant behavioral patterns, all disciplinary notices, and attendance records.

The following position is responsible for maintaining all student records:

(Principal and/or designee) is the official responsible for the maintenance of each type of student record. Copies of the above records may be obtained by the parent/guardian by contacting the school's Counseling Office.

An access log or record of who has requested or received information from a student's records is kept at the same location as the records. The Education Code and the District's Administrative Regulation 5125 set forth the criteria under which school officials and employees may access, change, or delete information in a student's records.

# Parent Access to Records (Ed. Code §§ 49063, 49065, 49069, 49070, 56504; 34 C.F.R. § 99.7)

Parents of currently enrolled or former students have an absolute right of access to any and all student records related to their children that are maintained by the District. Parents have the right to inspect and review their children's student records during regular school hours within five business days of a request. The District may charge parents a reasonable fee not to exceed the actual copying cost for reproducing copies of student records.

Parents may challenge the content of a student record if there is an inaccuracy, an unsubstantiated personal conclusion or inference, a conclusion or inference outside of the observer's area of competence, a comment not based on the personal observation of a named person with the time and place of the observation noted, or if the student record includes misleading information or violates the student's privacy or other rights. The Superintendent or designee will meet with the parent and the certificated employee who recorded the information in question, if any, and presently employed by the District, within 30 days. The Superintendent will determine whether to sustain or deny the allegations. If the challenge is sustained, the changes will be made. If the challenge is denied, the parent may appeal the decision in writing to the District's governing board within 30 days of the refusal. The District's governing board will determine whether to sustain or deny the allegations within 30 days of receipt of an appeal. The decision of the District's governing board is final. The Superintendent and the District's governing board cannot order a student's grade to be changed unless the teacher who determined the grade is given an opportunity to state the reasons for which the grade was given and is included in all discussions relating to changing the grade.

# **Curriculum Review (Ed. Code §§ 49063, 49091.14)**

A prospectus of curriculum, including titles, descriptions, and instructions aims of every course offered, is available at the school site for parent review upon request. Copies are available for a reasonable fee not to exceed the actual copying cost.

# Student Records Review (Ed. Code §§ 49063, 49064, 49076; 34 C.F.R. §§ 99.7, 99.31)

The District may share student records with school officials and employees who have a legitimate educational interest. "School officials and employees" and "legitimate educational interest" are defined in the attached Administrative Regulation 5125.

# Parental Consent to Release Student Information; No Parental Consent to Release Directory Information (Ed. Code §§ 49061(c), 49063, 49073, 49076, 49077; 10 U.S.C. § 503; 20 U.S.C. §§ 1232g, 7908; 34 C.F.R. § 99.37)

Federal and state law require that the District obtain parent written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in a student's records, except to the extent disclosure without consent is permitted by law (e.g. subpoena or court order). However, the District may disclose directory information without parental consent to certain entities. Directory information released to; law enforcement agencies, employers and prospective employers, news media, may include: student's name, address, telephone number, date of birth, email address, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, most recent educational agency or institution attended. Upon request by a military recruiter or an institution of higher education, the District must give the requester the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of its secondary students.

If you do not want the district to disclose directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the district in writing by **September 30, 2019**. The district has designated the following information as directory information:

- 1. Name
- 2. Address
- 3. Telephone number
- 4. Electronic mail address
- 5. Date of birth
- 6. Major Field of study
- 7. Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- 8. Weight and height of athletic team members
- 9. Dates of attendance
- 10. Degrees and awards received
- 11. Most recent previous school attended

The district also may disclose your child's student identification number, user identification, or other unique personal identifier used to communicate in electronic systems, provided it cannot be used to access education records without a personal identification number (PIN), password, or other factor that only the authorized user knows. Your child's social security number will not be used for this purpose.

Directory information does not include your child's citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin. The district will not disclose such information without your consent or a court order.

The District will not release directory information pertaining to a homeless student, unless a parent or student accorded parental rights has provided written consent that the directory information may be released.

# Transfer of Student Records (Ed. Code § 49068; 34 C.F.R. §§ 99.7, 99.34)

The District will forward student records, including transcripts, immunization records, and, when applicable, suspension notices, expulsion records, and individualized education programs, to other school districts that have requested the records and in which the student seeks or intends to enroll or is already enrolled so long as the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer.

# Student Records Complaints (Ed. Code § 49063; 20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 C.F.R. §§ 99.7, 99.63)

Parents have the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning an alleged failure by the District to comply with the requirements of the General Education Provisions Act or FERPA. The name and address of the office that administers FERPA are:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202

# 9. High School

# **Modified Closed Campus - Administrative Regulation 5112.5**

The following regulations shall be observed in the implementation of the modified-closed campus plan.

- 1. Parents/guardians shall be notified of the closed campus plan at the beginning of each school year.
- 2. Ninth and tenth graders shall remain on campus during the lunch hour, with the exception of #3 below.
- 3. Parents/guardians may request permission for their ninth or tenth grade child to go home for lunch provided adult supervision is present.
- 4. Eleventh and twelfth graders shall be permitted to go off campus during the lunch hour as long as they maintain acceptable attendance, discipline records, and are on track to graduate.
  - a. For Juniors On track to graduate includes at least 100 credits at the beginning of the first semester and 130 credits at the beginning of the second semester.
  - b. For Seniors On track to graduate includes at least 160 credits at the beginning of the first semester and 190 credits at the beginning of the second semester.
- 5. Students who fail to maintain good attendance and discipline records may have their off campus privilege suspended.
- 6. Students (grades 9-12) will not be permitted to leave campus during the morning break period unless permission is granted by the administration.

The district, Board members and district employees shall not be liable for the conduct and safety of students who leave school grounds during the lunch period. (Education Code 44808.5)

The principal of each high school shall be responsible for the annual preparation, implementation and evaluation of the school's modified closed campus program.

The principal may revoke the off campus privilege to any or all students at any time. The principal shall submit a report to the Superintendent or designee indicating the nature and scope of the problem and a procedure for reviewing and resolving the problem.

The Superintendent shall notify the Board of Trustees of any campus closure.

## College Admission Requirements/Career Technical Education (Ed. Code §§ 51229, 66204)

## **University of California:**

The University of California (UC) has three paths to eligibility for graduating high school seniors who plan to attend:

- (1) Eligibility by Examination Alone Students must achieve specified high scores on their college admissions tests.
- (2) Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC) Students must rank in the top four percent of their graduating class at a participating California high school.
- (3) Eligibility in the Statewide Context Students must complete specific coursework and college admissions tests and earn the required GPA and test scores.

The following website links provide more information regarding UC admission requirements:

http://www.admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/http://www.admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/requirements/

# **California State University:**

The California State University (CSU) system has A-G standards that must be met in each of the following areas:

- (1) Specific high school courses
- (2) Grades in specified courses and test scores
- (3) Graduation from high school

The following website link provides more information regarding the CSU admission requirements:

http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/high school/

#### **Career Technical Education:**

Career Technical Education is a program of study that involved a multiyear sequence of courses that integrates core academic knowledge with technical and occupational knowledge to provide students with a pathway to postsecondary education and careers.

The following website link provides more information regarding Career Technical Education:

https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/

# **Guidance Counseling:**

Students may meet with guidance counselors at their school to discuss college admissions requirements and/or to enroll in career technical education courses.

# State Funds for Advanced Placement Exams (Ed. Code §§ 48980)

The District may help pay for all or part of the costs of one or more advanced placement examinations that are charged to economically disadvantages students pursuant to Education Code section 52242.

# Cal Grant Program / Student Opt-Out (Ed. Code § 69432.9)

Students will automatically be deemed Cal Grant applicants unless the parent, or the student if the student is 18 years or older, opts out by **December 19, 2019**, during the student's eleventh grade year. Eleventh graders who are 18 years or older and parents of minor eleventh graders may contact their Counselor with specific questions if they do not want their grade point averages reported to the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) for purposes of the Cal Grant Program. Our district high schools plan to first submit senior grade point averages to CSAC on **October 1, 2020**. Our district high schools must first submit senior grade point averages to CSAC no later than October 1 of each year.

# **APPENDIX**

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. BP 0410 Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities
- 2. BP 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
- 3. AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
- 4. E 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
- 5. AR 1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
- 6. E(1) 1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
- 7. E(2) 1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
- 8. BP 4033 Lactation Accommodation
- 9. BP 5117 Interdistrict Transfers
- 10. AR 5117 Interdistrict Transfers
- 11. BP 5118 Open Enrollment
- 12. AR 5118 Open Enrollment
- 13. AR 5125 Student Records
- 14. BP 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment
- 15. AR 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment
- 16. BP 5145.7 Sexual Harassment
- 17. AR 5145.7 Sexual Harassment
- 18. 2019-2020 Adopted School Calendar
- 19. Asbestos
- 20. Child Abuse Reporting
- 21. Drug and Alcohol Policy Awareness
- 22. McKinney-Vento Act Declaration Form
- 23. Medi-Cal Health Insurance Request Form
- 24. Notification of Rights Under FERPA
- 25. Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment
- **26.** Pesticide Use Notify
- 27. Riding the School Bus
- 28. Safety Letter to Parents
- 29. Student Medical Insurance Letter
- **30.** Transportation Rules and Schedules
- **31.** A Message from CHP Re: Limos
- 32. Foggy Day Bus Schedules
- 33. Foundation Rivalry Run
- 34. Seat Belt Disciplinary Steps
- 35. Migrant Education Referral Questionnaire
- **36.** Mandatory Response and Photo/Name Release Agreement

#### NONDISCRIMINATION IN DISTRICT PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

The Board of Trustees is committed to providing equal opportunity for all individuals in district programs and activities. District programs, activities, and practices shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discrimination against an individual or group based on race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital, status, pregnancy parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information; a perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

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(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)
(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)
(cf. 4033 - Lactation Accommodation)
(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)
(cf. 4161.8/4261.8/4361.8 - Family Care and Medical Leave)
(cf. 5131.2 - Bullying)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)
(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)
(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)
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All individuals shall be treated equitably in the receipt of district and school services. Personally identifiable information collected in the implementation of any district program, including, but not limited to, student and family information for the free and reduced-price lunch program, transportation, or any other educational program, shall be used only for the purposes of the program, except when the Superintendent or designee authorizes its use for another purpose in accordance with law. Resources and data collected by the district shall not be used, directly or by others, to compile a list, registry, or database of individuals based on race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ethnicity, national origin, or immigration status or any other category identified above.

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(cf. 3540 - Transportation)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)
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District programs and activities shall be free of any racially derogatory or discriminatory school or athletic team names, mascots, or nicknames.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually review district programs and activities to ensure the removal of any derogatory or discriminatory name, image, practice, or other

barrier that may unlawfully prevent an individual or group in any of the protected categories stated above from accessing district programs and activities. He/she shall take prompt, reasonable actions to remove any identified barrier. The Superintendent or designee shall report his/her findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

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(cf. 1330 - Use of Facilities)
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All allegations of unlawful discrimination in district programs and activities shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with the procedures specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

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(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
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Pursuant to 34 CFR 104.8 and 34 CFR 106.9, the Superintendent or designee shall notify students, parents/guardians, employees, employee organizations and applicants for admission and employment, and sources of referral for applicants about the district's policy on nondiscrimination and related complaint procedures. Such notification shall be included in the annual parental notification distributed pursuant to Education Code 48980 and, as applicable, in announcements, bulletins, catalogs, handbooks, application forms or other materials distributed by the district. The notification shall also be posted on the district's web site and social media and in district schools and offices, including staff lounges, student government meeting rooms, and other prominent locations as appropriate.

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(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
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In addition, the annual parental notification shall inform parents/guardians of their children's right to a free public education regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs, including information on educational rights issued by the California Attorney General. Alternatively, such information may be provided through any other cost-effective means determined by the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 234.7)

The district's nondiscrimination policy and related informational materials shall be published in a format that parents/guardians can understand. In addition, when 15 percent or more of a school's students speak a single primary language other than English, those materials shall be translated into that other language.

#### Access for Individuals with Disabilities

District programs and facilities, viewed in their entirety, shall be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and any implementing standards and/or regulations. When structural changes to existing district facilities are needed to provide individuals with

disabilities access to programs, services, activities, or facilities, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a transition plan that sets forth the steps for completing the changes.

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(cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
(cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)
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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district provides appropriate auxiliary aids and services when necessary to afford individuals with disabilities equal opportunity to participate in or enjoy the benefits of a service, program, or activity. These aids and services may include, but are not limited to, qualified interpreters or readers, assistive listening devices, assistive technologies or other modifications to increase accessibility to district and school web sites, notetakers, written materials, taped text, and Braille or large-print materials. Individuals with disabilities shall notify the Superintendent or principal if they have a disability that requires special assistance or services. Reasonable notification should be given prior to a school-sponsored function, program, or meeting.

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(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)
(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)
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The individual identified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures as the employee responsible for coordinating the district's response to complaints and for complying with state and federal civil rights laws is hereby designated as the district's ADA coordinator. He/she shall receive and address requests for accommodation submitted by individuals with disabilities, and shall investigate and resolve complaints regarding their access to district programs, services, activities, or facilities.

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Legal Reference: (see next page)

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination
48980 Parental notifications
48985 Notices to parents in language other than English
51007 Legislative intent: state policy
GOVERNMENT CODE
8310.3 California Religious Freedom Act
11000 Definitions
11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state
12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act
54953.2 Brown Act compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act
PENAL CODE
422.55 Definition of hate crime
422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
4600- 4670 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
2301-2415 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act
6311 State plans
6312 Local education agency plans
<u>UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29</u>
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 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

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Accessibility of State and Local Government Websites to People with Disabilities, June 2003

#### WORLD WIDE WEB CONSORTIUM PUBLICATIONS

Web Content Accessibility Guidelines, December 2008

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CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Office of the Attorney General: http://oag.ca.gov California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

California Department of Fair Employment and Housing: http://www.dfeh.ca.gov

Safe Schools Coalition: http://www.casafeschools.org Pacific ADA Center: http://www.adapacific.org

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr

U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Americans with Disabilities Act:

http://www.ada.gov

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission: http://www.eeoc.gov

World Wide Web Consortium, Web Accessibility Initiative: http://www.w3.org/wai

# TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tulare, California

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Policy

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#### UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The Board of Trustees recognizes that the district has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs. The Board encourages early, resolution of complaints whenever possible. To resolve complaints which may require a more formal process, the Board adopts the uniform system of complaint processes specified in 5 CCR 4600-4670 and the accompanying administrative regulation.

The district requires that school personnel take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so when he or she witnesses an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying.

# Complaints Subject to the UCP

The district's uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve the following complaints:

1. Any complaint alleging district violation of applicable state or federal law or regulations governing adult education programs, After School Education and Safety programs, agricultural vocational education, American Indian education centers and early childhood education program assessments, bilingual education, peer assistance and review programs for teachers, career technical and technical education and training programs, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs, compensatory education, consolidated categorical aid programs, Economic Impact Aid, English learner programs, federal education programs in Title I-VII, migrant education, Regional Occupational Centers and Programs, school safety plans, special education programs, State Preschool Programs, Tobacco-Use Prevention Education programs, and any other district-implemented program which is listed in Education Code 64000(a)

The district developed the Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) process with policies and procedures adopted by our governing board. Programs and activities subject to the UCP are:

Adult Education

After School Education and Safety

Agricultural Vocational Education

American Indian Education Centers and Early Childhood Education Program Assessments Bilingual Education

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School Safety Plans

Special Education

State Preschool

Tobacco-Use Prevention Education

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(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
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(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)

(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Learners)

(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)

(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)

(cf. 6178.1 - Work-Based Learning)

(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)

(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

2. Any complaint alleging the occurrence of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) against any student, employee, or other person participating in district programs and activities, including, but not limited to, those programs or activities funded directly by or that receive or benefit from any state financial assistance, based on the person's actual or perceived characteristics of race or ethnicity, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or based on his/her association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics (5 CCR 4610)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

3. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the requirement to provide reasonable accommodation to a lactating student on school campus to express breast milk, breastfeed an infant child, or address other breastfeeding-related needs of the student (Education Code 222)

(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)

4. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees, deposits, or other charges for participation in educational activities (5 CCR 4610)

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(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)
(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)
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5. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with legal requirements related to the implementation of the local control and accountability plan (Education Code 52075)

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

6. Any complaint, by or on behalf of any student who is a foster youth, alleging district noncompliance with any legal requirement applicable to the student regarding placement decisions, the responsibilities of the district's educational liaison to the student, the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or district, school transfer, or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

7. Any complaint, by or on behalf of a homeless student as defined in 42 USC 11434a, a former juvenile court school student, or a child of a military family as defined in Education Code 49701 who transfers into the district after his/her second year of high school, alleging district noncompliance with any requirement applicable to the student regarding the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or district or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 51225.1, 51225.2)

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(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)
(cf. 6173.3 -Education for Juvenile Court School Students)
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8. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the requirements of Education Code 51228.1 and 51228.2 that prohibit the assignment of a student in grades 9-12 to a course without educational content for more than one week in any semester or to a course the student has previously satisfactorily completed, without meeting specified conditions (Education Code 51228.3)

(cf. 6152 - Class Assignment)

9. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the physical education instructional minutes requirement for students in elementary school (Education Code 51210, 51223)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)

- 10. Any complaint alleging retaliation against a complainant or other participant in the complaint process or anyone who has acted to uncover or report a violation subject to this policy
- 11. Any other complaint as specified in a district policy

The Board recognizes that alternative dispute resolution (ADR) can, depending on the nature of the allegations, offer a process to reach a resolution to the complaint that is acceptable to all parties. ADR such as mediation may be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the use of ADR is consistent with state and federal laws and regulations.

The district shall protect all complainants from retaliation. In investigating complaints, the confidentiality of the parties involved shall be protected as required by law. For any complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the Superintendent or designee shall keep the identity of the complainant, and/or the subject of the complaint if he/she is different from the complainant, confidential when appropriate and as long as the integrity of the complaint process is maintained.

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(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information) (cf. 5125 - Student Records) (cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)
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When an allegation that is not subject to the UCP is included in a UCP complaint, the district shall refer the non-UCP allegation to the appropriate staff or agency and shall investigate and, if appropriate, resolve the UCP-related allegation(s) through the district's UCP.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to district staff to ensure awareness and knowledge of current law and related requirements, including the steps and timelines specified in this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of all UCP complaints and the investigations of those complaints in accordance with applicable law and district policy.

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(cf. 3580 - District Records)
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# **Non-UCP Complaints**

The following complaints shall not be subject to the district's UCP but shall be referred to the specified agency: (5 CCR 4611)

1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services, the County Protective Services Division, and the appropriate law enforcement agency.

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

- 2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to Department of Social Services and shall, for licensing-exempt facilities, be referred to the appropriate Child Development regional administrator.
- 3. Any complaint alleging fraud shall be referred to the Legal, Audits and Compliance Branch of the California Department of Education.

Any complaint alleging employment discrimination or harassment shall be investigated and resolved by the district in accordance with the procedures specified in AR 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment.

Any complaint related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health or safety of students or staff, or teacher vacancies and misassignments shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with the procedures in AR 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 35186)

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

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200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

222 Reasonable accommodations; lactating students

8200-8498 Child care and development programs

8500-8538 Adult basic education

18100-18203 School libraries

32289 School safety plan, uniform complaint procedures

35186 Williams uniform complaint procedures

48853-48853.5 Foster youth

48985 Notices in language other than English

49010-49013 Student fees

49060-49079 Student records

49060.9 Rights of parents

49490-49590 Child nutrition programs

49701 Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

51210 Courses of study grades 1-6

51223 Physical education, elementary schools

51225.1-51225.2 Foster youth, homeless children, former juvenile court school students, and military-

connected students; course credits; graduation requirements

51228.1-51228.3 Course periods without educational content

52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan, especially

52075 Complaint for lack of compliance with local control and accountability plan requirements

52160-52178 Bilingual education programs

52300-52490 Career technical education

52500-52616.24 Adult schools

54000-54029 Economic Impact Aid

54400-54425 Compensatory education programs

54440-54445 Migrant education

54460-54529 Compensatory education programs

56000-56867 Special education programs

59000-59300 Special schools and centers

64000-64001 Consolidated application process

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11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state

12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

104420 Tobacco-Use Prevention Education

#### PENAL CODE

422.55 Hate crime; definition

422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege

## CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

11023 Harassment and discrimination prevention and correction

Legal Reference: (continued)

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

1221 Application of laws

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

6301-6577 Title I basic programs

6801-7014 Title III language instruction for limited English proficient and immigrant students

7101-7184 Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act

7201-7283g Title V promoting informed parental choice and innovative programs

7301-7372 Title V rural and low-income school programs

12101-12213 Title II equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000d-2000e-17 Title VI and Title VII Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

6101-6107 Age Discrimination Act of 1975

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28

35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

100.3 Prohibition of discrimination on basis of race, color or national origin

104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504

106.8 Designation of responsible employee for Title IX

106.9 Notification of nondiscrimination on basis of sex

110.25 Notification of nondiscrimination on the basis of age

Management Resources: (see next page)

#### Management Resources:

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Sample UCP Board Policies and Procedures

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS

Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015

Questions and Answers on Title IX and Sexual Violence, April 2014

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California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov Family Policy Compliance Office: http://familypolicy.ed.gov

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www.ed.gov//ocr

U.S. Department of Justice: http://www.justice.gov

\*\*\*Please see district material in district office for Spanish version of BP 1312.3\*\*\*

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Tulare, California

# UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Except as the Board of Trustees may otherwise specifically provide in other district policies, these uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve only the complaints specified in BP 1312.3.

The district requires that school personnel take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so when he or she witnesses an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying.

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(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)
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# **Compliance Officers**

The district designates the individual(s) identified below as the employee(s) responsible for coordinating the district's response to complaints and for complying with state and federal civil rights laws. The individual(s) also serve as the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment as the responsible employee(s) to handle complaints regarding unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying). The individual(s) shall receive and coordinate the investigation of complaints and shall ensure district compliance with law.

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(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Business
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(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

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The compliance officer who receives a complaint may assign another compliance officer to investigate and resolve the complaint. The compliance officer shall promptly notify the complainant and respondent, if applicable, if another compliance officer is assigned to the complaint.

In no instance shall a compliance officer be assigned to a complaint in which he/she has a bias or conflict of interest that would prohibit him/her from fairly investigating or resolving the complaint. Any complaint against a compliance officer or that raises a concern about the compliance officer's ability to investigate the complaint fairly and without bias shall be filed with the Superintendent or designee who shall determine how the complaint will be investigated.

The district developed the Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) process with policies and procedures adopted by our governing board. Programs and activities subject to the UCP are:

Adult Education

After School Education and Safety

Agricultural Vocational Education

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Career Technical and Technical Education; Career Technical; Technical Training

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Special Education

State Preschool

Tobacco-Use Prevention Education

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that employees assigned to investigate and resolve complaints receive training and are knowledgeable about the laws and programs at issue in the complaints to which they are assigned. Training provided to such employees shall cover current state and federal laws and regulations governing the program, applicable processes for investigating and resolving complaints, including those alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), applicable standards for reaching decisions on complaints, and appropriate corrective measures. Assigned employees may have access to legal counsel as determined by the Superintendent or designee.

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development) (cf. 9124 - Attorney)

The compliance officer or, if necessary, any appropriate administrator shall determine whether interim measures are necessary during and pending the result of an investigation. If interim measures are determined to be necessary, the compliance officer or the administrator shall consult with the Superintendent, the Superintendent's designee, or, if appropriate, the site principal to implement, one or more interim measures. The interim measures shall remain in place until the compliance officer determines that they are no longer necessary or until the district issues its final written decision, whichever occurs first.

#### **Notifications**

The district's UCP policy and administrative regulation shall be posted in all district schools and offices, including staff lounges and student government meeting rooms. (Education Code 234.1)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide written notification of the district's UCP, to students, employees, parents/guardians of district students, district advisory committee members, school advisory committee members, appropriate private school officials or representatives, and other interested parties. The notification shall include information regarding the prohibition of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying; unlawful student fees; local control and accountability plan (LCAP) requirements; and requirements related to the educational rights of foster youth, homeless students, former juvenile court school students, and children of military families. (Education Code 262.3, 48853, 48853.5, 49013, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2, 52075; 5 CCR 4622)

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)
(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)
(cf. 6173.3 - Education for Juvenile Court School Students)
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### The notice shall:

- 1. Identify the person(s), position(s), or unit(s) responsible for receiving complaints
- 2. Advise the complainant of any civil law remedies that may be available to him/her under state or federal antidiscrimination laws, if applicable
- 3. Advise the complainant of the appeal process, including, if applicable, the complainant's right to take a complaint directly to the California Department of Education (CDE) or to pursue remedies before civil courts or other public agencies,

such as the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) in cases involving unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying).

### 4. Include statements that:

- a. The district has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs.
- b. The complaint review shall be completed within 60 calendar days from the date of receipt of the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to an extension of the timeline.
- c. A complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) must be filed not later than six months from the date it occurred, or six months from the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged unlawful discrimination. The time for filing may be extended for up to 90 days by the Superintendent or designee for good cause upon written request by the complainant setting forth the reasons for the extension.
- d. Complaints should be filed in writing and signed by the complainant. If a complainant is unable to put his/her complaint in writing, for example, due to conditions such as a disability or illiteracy, district staff shall assist him/her in the filing of the complaint.
- e. If a complaint is not filed in writing but the district receives notice of any allegation that is subject to the UCP, the district shall take affirmative steps to investigate and address the allegations, in a manner appropriate to the particular circumstances.
  - If the allegation involves retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) and the investigation confirms that discrimination has occurred, the district will take steps to prevent recurrence of discrimination and correct its discriminatory effects on the complainant, and on others, if appropriate.
- f. A student enrolled in a public school shall not be required to pay a fee for his/her participation in an educational activity that constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities.

- g. The Board is required to adopt and annually update the LCAP in a manner that includes meaningful engagement of parents/guardians, students, and other stakeholders in the development and/or review of the LCAP.
- h. A foster youth shall receive information about educational rights related to his/her educational placement, enrollment in and checkout from school, as well as the responsibilities of the district liaison for foster youth to ensure and facilitate these requirements and to assist the student in ensuring proper transfer of his/her credits, records, and grades when he/she transfers between schools or between the district and another district.
- i. A foster youth, homeless student, former juvenile court school student, or child of a military family who transfers into a district high school or between district high schools as applicable shall be notified of the district's responsibility to:
  - (1) Accept any coursework or part of the coursework that the student has satisfactorily completed in another public school, juvenile court school, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency, and to issue full or partial credit for the coursework completed
  - (2) Not require the student to retake any course or a portion of a course which he/she has satisfactorily completed in another public school, juvenile court school, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency
  - (3) If the student has completed his/her second year of high school before the transfer, provide the student information about district-adopted coursework and Board-imposed graduation requirements from which he/she may be exempted pursuant to Education Code 51225.1
- j. The complainant has a right to appeal the district's decision to CDE by filing a written appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the district's decision.
  - In any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the respondent also shall have the right to file an appeal with CDE in the same manner as the complainant, if he/she is dissatisfied with the district's decision.
- k. The appeal to CDE must include a copy of the complaint filed with the district and a copy of the district's decision.
- 1. Copies of the district's UCP are available free of charge.

The annual notification, complete contact information of the compliance officer(s), and information related to Title IX as required pursuant to Education Code 221.61 shall be posted on the district web site and may be provided through district-supported social media, if available.

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(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all students and parents/guardians, including students and parents/guardians with limited English proficiency, have access to the relevant information provided in the district's policy, regulation, forms, and notices concerning the UCP.

If 15 percent or more of students enrolled in a particular district school speak a single primary language other than English, the district's policy, regulation, forms, and notices concerning the UCP shall be translated into that language, in accordance with Education Code 234.1 and 48985. In all other instances, the district shall ensure meaningful access to all relevant UCP information for parents/guardians with limited English proficiency.

### **District Responsibilities**

All UCP-related complaints shall be investigated and resolved within 60 calendar days of the district's receipt of the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to an extension of the timeline. (5 CCR 4631)

For complaints alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the district shall inform the respondent when the complainant agrees to an extension of the timeline for investigating and resolving the complaint.

The compliance officer shall maintain a record of each complaint and subsequent related actions, including steps taken during the investigation and all information required for compliance with 5 CCR 4631 and 4633.

All parties involved in the allegations shall be notified when a complaint is filed and when a decision or ruling is made. However, the compliance officer shall keep all complaints or allegations of retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) confidential except when disclosure is necessary to carry out the investigation, take subsequent corrective action, conduct ongoing monitoring, or maintain the integrity of the process. (5 CCR 4630, 4964)

All complainants shall be protected from retaliation.

### Filing of Complaints

The complaint shall be presented to the compliance officer who shall maintain a log of complaints received, providing each with a code number and a date stamp.

All complaints shall be filed in writing and signed by the complainant. If a complainant is unable to put a complaint in writing due to conditions such as a disability or illiteracy, district staff shall assist him/her in the filing of the complaint. (5 CCR 4600)

Complaints shall also be filed in accordance with the following rules, as applicable:

- 1. A complaint alleging district violation of applicable state or federal law or regulations governing the programs specified in the accompanying Board policy (item #1 of the section "Complaints Subject to the UCP") may be filed by any individual, public agency, or organization. (5 CCR 4630)
- 2. Any complaint alleging noncompliance with law regarding the prohibition against requiring students to pay student fees, deposits, and charges or any requirement related to the LCAP may be filed anonymously if the complaint provides evidence, or information leading to evidence, to support an allegation of noncompliance. A complaint about a violation of the prohibition against the charging of unlawful student fees may be filed with the principal of the school or with the Superintendent or designee. However, any such complaint shall be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred. (Education Code 49013, 52075; 5 CCR 4630)
- 3. A complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) may be filed only by a person who alleges that he/she personally suffered the unlawful discrimination or by a person who believes that an individual or any specific class of individuals has been subjected to it. The complaint shall be initiated no later than six months from the date when the alleged unlawful discrimination occurred, or six months from the date when the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged unlawful discrimination. The time for filing may be extended for up to 90 days by the Superintendent or designee for good cause upon written request by the complainant setting forth the reasons for the extension. (5 CCR 4630)
- 4. When a complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) is filed anonymously, the compliance officer shall pursue an investigation or other response as appropriate, depending on the specificity and reliability of the information provided and the seriousness of the allegation.

5. When the complainant of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) or the alleged victim, when he/she is not the complainant, requests confidentiality, the compliance officer shall inform him/her that the request may limit the district's ability to investigate the conduct or take other necessary action. When honoring a request for confidentiality, the district shall nevertheless take all reasonable steps to investigate and resolve/respond to the complaint consistent with the request.

### Mediation

Within three business days after the compliance officer receives the complaint, he/she may informally discuss with all the parties the possibility of using mediation. Mediation shall be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving an allegation of sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. If the parties agree to mediation, the compliance officer shall make all arrangements for this process.

Before initiating the mediation of a complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the compliance officer shall ensure that all parties agree to make the mediator a party to relevant confidential information. The compliance officer shall also notify all parties of the right to end the informal process at any time.

If the mediation process does not resolve the problem within the parameters of law, the compliance officer shall proceed with his/her investigation of the complaint.

The use of mediation shall not extend the district's timelines for investigating and resolving the complaint unless the complainant agrees in writing to such an extension of time. If mediation is successful and the complaint is withdrawn, then the district shall take only the actions agreed upon through the mediation. If mediation is unsuccessful, the district shall then continue with subsequent steps specified in this administrative regulation.

### **Investigation of Complaint**

Within 10 business days after the compliance officer receives the complaint, the compliance officer shall begin an investigation into the complaint.

Within one business day of initiating the investigation, the compliance officer shall provide the complainant and/or his/her representative with the opportunity to present the information contained in the complaint to the compliance officer and shall notify the complainant and/or his/her representative of the opportunity to present the compliance officer with any evidence, or information leading to evidence, to support the allegations in the complaint. Such evidence or information may be presented at any time during the investigation.

In conducting the investigation, the compliance officer shall collect all available documents and review all available records, notes, or statements related to the complaint, including any additional evidence or information received from the parties during the course of the investigation. He/she shall individually interview all available witnesses with information pertinent to the complaint and may visit any reasonably accessible location where the relevant actions are alleged to have taken place. At appropriate intervals, the compliance officer shall inform both parties of the status of the investigation.

To investigate a complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the compliance officer shall interview the alleged victim(s), any alleged offenders, and other relevant witnesses privately, separately, and in a confidential manner. As necessary, additional staff or legal counsel may conduct or support the investigation.

A complainant's refusal to provide the district's investigator with documents or other evidence related to the allegations in the complaint, failure or refusal to cooperate in the investigation, or engagement in any other obstruction of the investigation may result in the dismissal of the complaint because of a lack of evidence to support the allegation. Similarly, a respondent's refusal to provide the district's investigator with documents or other evidence related to the allegations in the complaint, failure or refusal to cooperate in the investigation, or engagement in any other obstruction of the investigation may result in a finding, based on evidence collected, that a violation has occurred and in the imposition of a remedy in favor of the complainant. (5 CCR 4631)

In accordance with law, the district shall provide the investigator with access to records and other information related to the allegation in the complaint and shall not in any way obstruct the investigation. Failure or refusal of the district to cooperate in the investigation may result in a finding based on evidence collected that a violation has occurred and in the imposition of a remedy in favor of the complainant. (5 CCR 4631)

The compliance officer shall apply a "preponderance of the evidence" standard in determining the veracity of the factual allegations in a complaint. This standard is met if the allegation is more likely to be true than not.

### Report of Findings

Unless extended by written agreement with the complainant, the compliance officer shall prepare and send to the complainant, and respondent if there is one, a written report, as described in the section "Final Written Decision" below, within 60 calendar days of the district's receipt of the complaint. (5 CCR 4631)

### **Final Written Decision**

The district's decision on how it will resolve the complaint shall be in writing and shall be sent to the complainant and respondent. (5 CCR 4631)

In consultation with district legal counsel, information about the relevant part of a decision may be communicated to a victim who is not the complainant and to other parties who may be involved in implementing the decision or are affected by the complaint, as long as the privacy of the parties is protected. In a complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying), notice of the district's decision to the alleged victim shall include information about any sanction to be imposed upon the respondent that relates directly to the alleged victim.

If the complaint involves a limited-English-proficient student or parent/guardian and the student involved attends a school at which 15 percent or more of the students speak a single primary language other than English, then the decision shall also be translated into that language. In all other instances, the district shall ensure meaningful access to all relevant information for parents/guardians with limited English proficiency.

For all complaints, the decision shall include: (5 CCR 4631)

- 1. The findings of fact based on the evidence gathered. In reaching a factual determination, the following factors may be taken into account:
  - a. Statements made by any witnesses
  - b. The relative credibility of the individuals involved
  - c. How the complaining individual reacted to the incident
  - d. Any documentary or other evidence relating to the alleged conduct
  - e. Past instances of similar conduct by any alleged offenders
  - f. Past false allegations made by the complainant
- 2. The conclusion(s) of law
- 3. Disposition of the complaint
- 4. Rationale for such disposition

For complaints of retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the disposition of the complaint shall include a determination for each allegation as to whether retaliation or unlawful discrimination has occurred.

The determination of whether a hostile environment exists may involve consideration of the following:

- a. The manner in which the misconduct affected one or more students' education
- b. The type, frequency, and duration of the misconduct
- c. The relationship between the alleged victim(s) and offender(s)
- d. The number of persons engaged in the conduct and at whom the conduct was directed
- e. The size of the school, location of the incidents, and context in which they occurred
- f. Other incidents at the school involving different individuals
- 5. Corrective action(s), including any actions that have been taken or will be taken to address the allegations in the complaint and including, with respect to a student fees complaint, a remedy that comports with Education Code 49013 and 5 CCR 4600

For complaints of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the decision may, as required by law, include:

- a. The corrective actions imposed on the respondent
- b. Individual remedies offered or provided to the complainant or another person who was the subject of the complaint, but this information should not be shared with the respondent.
- c. Systemic measures the school has taken to eliminate a hostile environment and prevent recurrence
- 6. Notice of the complainant's and respondent's right to appeal the district's decision to CDE within 15 calendar days, and procedures to be followed for initiating such an appeal

The decision may also include follow-up procedures to prevent recurrence or retaliation and for reporting any subsequent problems.

For complaints alleging unlawful discrimination based on state law (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying), the decision shall also include a notice to the complainant that:

- 1. He/she may pursue available civil law remedies outside of the district's complaint procedures, including seeking assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys, 60 calendar days after the filing of an appeal with CDE. (Education Code 262.3)
- 2. The 60 days moratorium does not apply to complaints seeking injunctive relief in state courts or to discrimination complaints based on federal law. (Education Code 262.3)
- 3. Complaints alleging discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, gender, disability, or age may also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights at www.ed.gov/ocr within 180 days of the alleged discrimination.

### **Corrective Actions**

When a complaint is found to have merit, the compliance officer shall adopt any appropriate corrective action permitted by law. Appropriate corrective actions that focus on the larger school or district environment may include, but are not limited to, actions to reinforce district policies; training for faculty, staff, and students; updates to school policies; or school climate surveys.

For complaints involving retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), appropriate remedies that may be offered to the victim but not communicated to the respondent may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Counseling
- 2. Academic support
- 3. Health services
- 4. Assignment of an escort to allow the victim to move safely about campus
- 5. Information regarding available resources and how to report similar incidents or retaliation

- 6. Separation of the victim from any other individuals involved, provided the separation does not penalize the victim
- 7. Restorative justice
- 8. Follow-up inquiries to ensure that the conduct has stopped and there has been no retaliation
- 9. Determination of whether any past actions of the victim that resulted in discipline were related to the treatment the victim received and described in the complaint

For complaints involving retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), appropriate corrective actions that focus on a student offender may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Transfer from a class or school as permitted by law
- 2. Parent/guardian conference
- 3. Education regarding the impact of the conduct on others
- 4. Positive behavior support
- 5. Referral to a student success team
- 6. Denial of participation in extracurricular or co-curricular activities or other privileges as permitted by law
- 7. Disciplinary action, such as suspension or expulsion, as permitted by law

When an employee is found to have committed retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the district shall take appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, in accordance with applicable law and collective bargaining agreement.

The district may also consider training and other interventions for the larger school community to ensure that students, staff, and parents/guardians understand the types of behavior that constitute unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), that the district does not tolerate it, and how to report and respond to it.

When a complaint is found to have merit, an appropriate remedy shall be provided to the complainant or other affected person.

If the district finds merit in a complaint regarding Pupil Fees, Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP), Education of Pupils in Foster Care, Pupils who are Homeless, and former Juvenile Court Pupils now enrolled in our school district, Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Pupil, Course Periods without Educational Content (grades nine through twelve), and Physical Education Instructional Minutes (grades one through eight), we shall provide a remedy. In the case of complaints regarding Course Periods without Educational Content, Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Pupil, and Education of Pupils in Foster Care, Pupils who are Homeless, and former Juvenile Court Pupils now enrolled in our school district, the remedy shall go to the affected pupil.

If a complaint alleging noncompliance with the laws regarding student fees, deposits, and other charges, physical education instructional minutes for students in elementary schools, or any requirement related to the LCAP is found to have merit, the district shall provide a remedy to all affected students and parents/guardians subject to procedures established by regulation of the State Board of Education. (Education Code 49013, 51223, 52075)

For complaints alleging noncompliance with the laws regarding student fees, the district shall attempt in good faith, by engaging in reasonable efforts, to identify and fully reimburse all affected students and parents/guardians who paid the unlawful student fees within one year prior to the filing of the complaint. (Education Code 49013; 5 CCR 4600)

# Appeals to the California Department of Education

Any complainant who is dissatisfied with the district's final written decision of a complaint regarding any specified federal or state educational program subject to the UCP may file an appeal in writing with CDE within 15 calendar days of receiving the district's decision. (Education Code 222, 48853, 48853.5, 49013, 49069.5, 51223, 51225.1, 51225.2, 51228.3, 52075; 5 CCR 4632)

When a respondent in any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying) is dissatisfied with the district's final written decision, he/she, in the same manner as the complainant, may file an appeal with the CDE.

The complainant or respondent shall specify the basis for the appeal of the decision and how the facts of the district's decision are incorrect and/or the law has been misapplied. The appeal shall be sent to CDE with a copy of the original locally filed complaint and a copy of the district's decision in that complaint. (5 CCR 4632)

Upon notification by CDE that the complainant or respondent has appealed the district's decision, the Superintendent or designee shall forward the following documents to CDE: (5 CCR 4633)

- 1. A copy of the original complaint
- 2. A copy of the written decision
- 3. A summary of the nature and extent of the investigation conducted by the district, if not covered by the decision
- 4. A copy of the investigation file including, but not limited to, all notes, interviews, and documents submitted by the parties and gathered by the investigator
- 5. A report of any action taken to resolve the complaint
- 6. A copy of the district's uniform complaint procedures
- 7. Other relevant information requested by CDE

\*\*\*Please district material in district office for Spanish version of AR 1312.3\*\*\*

# Regulation

TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tulare, California

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# UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

	For Office Use Only:
	DC #:
	Date Recd:
	Recd By:
UNIFORM COMPLA	INT FORM
To file a complaint or charge against any school employee, complete and return this form (attach add Superintendent, Human Resources, 426 North Blacesponse within 30 calendar days.	ditional pages as needed) to the Assistant
Complainant's Name	
Complainant's Address	Daytime Phone Number
Name of school/program/office or name of employed or complaint is directed*:	e and job location, against whom charge
Discrimination on basis of: (Place a check next to an Age Ancestry and/or national origin Color Physical/Mental Disability Race Religion Sex/Gender Sexual Preference  Summary of the complaint: (please provide as much locations, witnesses, etc.). Attach additional pages,	n detail as possible, including dates, times,

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What was the res	ult of the discussion	?		
If you desire a rea	medy or wish the dis	strict to take a p	articular cour	rse of action, please specify:
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Signature:				

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### WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

### **Types of Complaints**

The district shall use the following procedures described in this administrative regulation only to investigate and resolve the following: (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680-4683)

- 1. Complaints regarding the insufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials, including any complaint alleging that:
  - a. A student, including an English learner, does not have standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials or state- or district-adopted textbooks or other required instructional materials to use in class.
  - b. A student does not have access to textbooks or instructional materials to use at home or after school. This does not require two sets of textbooks or instructional materials for each student.
  - c. Textbooks or instructional materials are in poor or unusable condition, have missing pages, or are unreadable due to damage.
  - d. A student was provided photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials to address a shortage of textbooks or instructional materials.

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

- 2. Complaints regarding teacher vacancy or misassignment, including any complaint alleging that:
  - a. A semester begins and a teacher vacancy exists.
  - b. A teacher who lacks credentials or training to teach English learners is assigned to teach a class with more than 20 percent English learner pupils in the class.

(cf. 4112.22 - Staff Teaching Students of Limited English Proficiency)

c. A teacher is assigned to teach a class for which the teacher lacks subject matter competency.

Teacher vacancy means a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the semester for an entire semester. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4600)

Beginning of the year or semester means the first day classes necessary to serve all the students enrolled are established with a single designated certificated employee assigned for the duration of the class, but not later than 20 working days after the first day students attend classes for that semester. (5 CCR 4600)

Misassignment means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4600)

(cf. 4112.2 - Certification) (cf. 4113 - Assignment)

- 3. Complaints regarding the condition of school facilities, including any complaint alleging that:
  - a. A condition poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff.

Emergency or urgent threat means structures or systems that are in a condition that poses a threat to the health and safety of students or staff while at school, including, but not limited to, gas leaks; nonfunctioning heating, ventilation, fire sprinklers, or air-conditioning systems; electrical power failure; major sewer line stoppage; major pest or vermin infestation; broken windows or exterior doors or gates that will not lock and that pose a security risk; abatement of hazardous materials previously undiscovered that pose an immediate threat to pupils or staff; structural damage creating a hazardous or uninhabitable condition; or any other condition deemed appropriate. (Education Code 17592.72)

b. A school restroom has not been cleaned, maintained, or kept open in accordance with Education Code 35292.5.

Clean or maintained school restroom means a school restroom has been cleaned or maintained regularly, is fully operational, or has been stocked at all times with toilet paper, soap, or paper towels or functional hand dryers. (Education Code 35292.5)

Open restroom means the school has kept all restrooms open during school hours when students are not in classes and has kept a sufficient number of restrooms open during school hours when students are in classes. This does not apply when the temporary closing of the restroom is necessary for student safety or to make repairs. (Education Code 35292.5)

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety) (cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

### Filing of Complaint

A complaint alleging any condition(s) specified in in the section "Types of Complaints" above shall be filed with the principal or designee at the school in which the complaint arises. The principal or designee shall forward a complaint about problems beyond his/her authority to the Superintendent or designee in a timely manner, but not to exceed 10 working days. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680)

# Investigation and Response

The principal or designee shall make all reasonable efforts to investigate any problem within his/her authority. He/she shall remedy a valid complaint within a reasonable time period not to exceed 30 working days from the date the complaint was received. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4685)

Complaints may be filed anonymously. If the complainant has indicated on the complaint form that he/she would like a response to the complaint, the principal or designee shall report the resolution of the complaint to him/her at the mailing address indicated on the complaint form within 45 working days of the initial filing of the complaint. At the same time, the principal or designee shall report the same information to the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680, 4685)

When Education Code 48985 is applicable and the complainant has requested a response, the response shall be written in English and in the primary language in which the complaint was filed. (Education Code 35186)

If a complainant is not satisfied with the resolution of a complaint, he/she has the right to describe the complaint to the Board of Trustees at a regularly scheduled meeting. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4686)

For any complaint concerning a facilities condition that poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff as described in item #3a in the section "Types of Complaints" above, a complainant who is not satisfied with the resolution proffered by the principal or Superintendent or designee may file an appeal to the Superintendent of Public Instruction within 15 days of receiving the district's response. The complainant shall comply with the appeal requirements specified in 5 CCR 4632. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4687)

All complaints and written responses shall be public records. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4686)

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

### Reports

On a quarterly basis, the Superintendent or designee shall report, to the Board at a regularly scheduled public Board meeting and to the County Superintendent of Schools, summarized data on the nature and resolution of all complaints. The report shall include the number of complaints by general subject area with the number of resolved and unresolved complaints. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4686)

### Forms and Notices

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure a Williams complaint form is available at each school. However, complainants need not use the district's complaint form in order to file a complaint. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's complaint form contains a space to indicate whether the complainant desires a response to his/her complaint and specifies the location for filing a complaint. A complainant may add as much text to explain the complaint as he/she wishes. (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4680)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that a notice is posted in each classroom in each school containing the components specified in Education Code 35186. (Education Code 35186)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

### Legal Reference:

### EDUCATION CODE

234.1 Prohibition of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying

1240 County superintendent of schools, duties

17592.72 Urgent or emergency repairs, School Facility Emergency Repair Account

33126 School accountability report card

35186 Williams uniform complaint procedures

35292.5 Restrooms, maintenance and cleanliness

48985 Notice to parents in language other than English

60119 Hearing on sufficiency of instructional materials

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4600-4670 Uniform complaint procedures

4680-4687 Williams uniform complaint procedures

### Management Resources:

# 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 State Allocation Board, Office of Public School Construction: http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov

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### WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

# NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS, STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS: COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Parents/Guardians, Students, and Teachers:

Pursuant to Education Code 35186, you are hereby notified that:

- 1. There should be sufficient textbooks and instructional materials. That means each student, including an English learner, must have a textbook or instructional material, or both, to use in class and to take home.
- 2. School facilities must be clean, safe, and maintained in good repair.
- 3. There should be no teacher vacancies or misassignments. There should be a teacher assigned to each class and not a series of substitutes or other temporary teachers. The teacher should have the proper credential to teach the class, including the certification required to teach English learners, if present.

Misassignment means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold.

Teacher vacancy means a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.

4. A complaint form can be obtained at the school office or district office, or downloaded from the school or district web site. You may also download a copy of the California Department of Education complaint form from the following web site: http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc. However, a complaint need not be filed using either the district's complaint form or the complaint form from the California Department of Education.

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### WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

# COMPLAINT FORM: WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Education Code 35186 creates a procedure for the filing of complaints concerning deficiencies related to instructional materials, conditions of facilities that are not maintained in a clean or safe manner or in good repair, teacher vacancy or misassignment. The complaint and response are public documents as provided by law. Complaints may be filed anonymously. However, if you wish to receive a response to your complaint, you must provide the contact information below.

Response requested? □ Yes □ No
Contact information: (if response is requested)
Name:
Address:
Phone number: Day: Evening:
E-mail address, if any:
Date problem was observed:
Location of the problem that is the subject of this complaint:
School name/address:
Course title/grade level and teacher name:
Room number/name of room/location of facility:
Only the following issues may be the subject of this complaint process. If you wish to complain about an issue not specified below, please use the appropriate district complaint procedure.
Specific issue(s) of the complaint: (Please check all that apply. A complaint may contain more than one allegation.)
1. Textbooks and instructional materials: (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4681)
A student, including an English learner, does not have standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials or state- or district-adopted textbooks or other required instructional materials to use in class.

		A student does not have access to textbooks or instructional materials to use at home or after school. This does not require two sets of textbooks or instructional materials for each student.			
		Textbooks or instructional materials are in poor or unusable condition, have missing pages, or are unreadable due to damage.			
		A student was provided photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials to address a shortage of textbooks or instructional materials.			
2.	Teac	acher vacancy or misassignment: (Education Code 35186; 5 CCR 4682)			
		A semester begins and a teacher vacancy exists. A <i>teacher vacancy</i> is a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the school year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.			
		A teacher who lacks credentials or training to teach English learners is assigned to teach a class with more than 20 percent English learners in the class.			
		A teacher is assigned to teach a class for which the teacher lacks subject matter competency.			
3.	Facil	cilities conditions: (Education Code 17592.72, 35186, 35292.5; 5 CCR 4683)			
		A condition exists that poses an emergency or urgent threat to the health or safety of students or staff including gas leaks; nonfunctioning heating, ventilation, fire sprinklers, or air-conditioning systems; electrical power failure; major sewer line stoppage; major pest or vermin infestation; broken windows or exterior doors or gates that will not lock and that pose a security risk; abatement of hazardous materials previously undiscovered that pose an immediate threat to students or staff; structural damage creating a hazardous or uninhabitable condition; and any other condition deemed appropriate by the district.			
		A school restroom has not been cleaned or maintained regularly, is not fully operational, or has not been stocked at all times with toilet paper, soap, or paper towels or functional hand dryers.			
		The school has not kept all restrooms open during school hours when students are not in classes and has not kept a sufficient number of restrooms open during school hours when students are in classes. This does not apply when temporary closing of the restroom is necessary for student safety or to make repairs.			

Please describe the issue of your complaint in det					
include as much text as necessary to fully describe the situation. For complaints regarding facilities conditions, please describe the emergency or urgent facilities condition and how that condition poses a threat to the health or safety of students or staff.					
Please file this complaint at the following location	:				
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(principal or title of designee of the Supe	rintendent)				
(address)					
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Please provide a signature below. If you wish	to remain anonymous, a signature is not				
required. However, all complaints, even anonymous					
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(Signature)	(Date)				

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All Personnel BP 4033(a)

### LACTATION ACCOMMODATION

The Board of Trustees recognizes the immediate and long-term health advantages of breastfeeding for infants and mothers and desires to provide a supportive environment for any district employee to express milk for her infant child upon her return to work following the birth of the child. The Board prohibits discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation against any district employee who chooses to express breast milk for her infant child while at work.

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(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)
(cf. 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment)
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The district shall provide a reasonable amount of break time to accommodate an employee each time she has a need to express breast milk for her infant child. (Labor Code 1030)

To the extent possible, such break time shall run concurrently with the break time already provided to the employee. Any additional break time used by a non-exempt employee for this purpose shall be unpaid. (Labor Code 1030; 29 USC 207)

The employee shall be provided a private location, other than a restroom, which is in close proximity to her work area and meets the requirements of Labor Code 1031 and 29 USC 207, as applicable.

Employees are encouraged to notify their supervisor or other appropriate personnel in advance of their intent to make use of the accommodations offered for employees who are nursing mothers. As needed, the supervisor shall work with the employee to address arrangements and scheduling in order to ensure that the employees' essential job duties are covered during the break time.

Lactation accommodations may be denied only in limited circumstances in accordance with law. (Labor Code 1032; 29 USC 207)

Before an employee's supervisor makes a determination to deny lactation accommodations, he/she shall consult the Superintendent or designee. In any case in which lactation accommodations are denied, the Superintendent or designee shall document the options that were considered and the reasons for denying the accommodations.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

### LACTATION ACCOMMODATION (continued)

### Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

CIVIL CODE

43.3 Right of mothers to breastfeed in any public or private location

GOVERNMENT CODE

12940 Discriminatory employment practices

12945 Discrimination based on pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions

LABOR CODE

1030-1033 Lactation accommodation

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

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UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

207 Fair Labor Standards Act; lactation accommodation

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Rest Periods/Lactation Accommodation, Frequently Asked Questions

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Health Resources and Services Administration: http://www.hrsa.gov

Office of the Surgeon General: http://www.surgeongeneral.gov

U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, Break Time for Nursing Mothers:

http://www.dol.gov/whd/nursingmothers

Policy

TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

adopted: February 2, 2012

Tulare, California

Students BP 5117(a)

### INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE

The Board of Trustees recognizes that parents/guardians of students who reside within the geographic boundaries of one district may for a variety of reasons, desire to enroll their children in a school in another district.

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(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5111.12 - Residency Based on Parent/Guardian Employment)
(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5118 - Open Enrollment Act Transfers)
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### **Interdistrict Attendance Permits**

The Board may enter into an agreement with any other school district, for a term not to exceed five school years, for the interdistrict attendance of students who are residents of the districts. (Education Code 46600)

The agreement shall specify the terms and conditions under which interdistrict attendance shall be permitted or denied. It also may contain standards agreed to by both districts for reapplication and/or revocation of the student's permit. (Education Code 46600)

Upon receiving a permit for transfer into the district that has been approved by the student's district of residence, or upon receiving a written request from the parent/guardian of a district student who wishes to enroll in another district, the Superintendent or designee shall review the request and may approve or deny the permit subject to the terms and conditions of the interdistrict attendance agreement.

### **Transportation**

The district shall not provide transportation beyond any school attendance area. Upon request of a student's parent/guardian, the Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation for an interdistrict transfer student to and from designated bus stops within the attendance area of the school that the student attends if space is available.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

Tulare, California

### **INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE** (continued)

### Legal Reference:

### **EDUCATION CODE**

41020 Annual district audits

46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance agreements

48204 Residency requirements for school attendance

48300-48317 Student attendance alternatives, school district of choice program

48350-48361 Open Enrollment Act

48900 Grounds for suspension or expulsion; definition of bullying

48915 Expulsion; particular circumstances

48915.1 Expelled individuals: enrollment in another district

48918 Rules governing expulsion procedures

48980 Notice at beginning of term

52317 Regional occupational center/program, enrollment of students, interdistrict attendance

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

TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Policy

### INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE

### **Interdistrict Attendance Permits**

In accordance with an agreement between the Board of Trustees and the board of another district, a permit authorizing a student's attendance outside his/her district of residence may be issued upon approval of both the district of residence and the district of proposed attendance.

The Superintendent or designee may approve an interdistrict attendance permit for a student for any of the following reasons when stipulated in the agreement:

1. When the student has been determined by staff of either the district of residence or district of proposed attendance to be a victim of an act of bullying as defined in Education Code 48900(r). Such a student shall be given priority for interdistrict attendance under any existing interdistrict agreement or, in the absence of an agreement, shall be given consideration for the creation of a new permit. (Education Code 46600)

(cf. 5131.2 - Bullying)

2. To meet the child care needs of the student. Such students may be allowed to continue to attend district schools only as long as he/she continues to use a child care provider within district boundaries.

(cf. 5148 Child Care and Development)

3. To meet the student's special mental or physical health needs as certified by a physician, school psychologist, or other appropriate school personnel.

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

- 4. When the student has a sibling attending school in the receiving district, to avoid splitting the family's attendance.
- 5. To allow the student to complete a school year when his/her parents/guardians have moved out of the district during that year.
- 6. To allow the student to remain with a class graduating that year from an elementary, junior, or senior high school.
- 7. To allow a high school senior to attend the same school he/she attended as a junior, even if his/her family moved out of the district during the junior year.
- 8. When the parent/guardian provides written evidence that the family will be moving into the district in the immediate future and would like the student to start the year in the district.

# INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE (continued)

- 9. When the student will be living out of the district for one year or less.
- 10. When recommended by the school attendance review board or by county child welfare, probation, or social service agency staff in documented cases of serious home or community problems which make it inadvisable for the student to attend the school of residence.

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(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)
(cf. 5113.12 - District School Attendance Review Board)
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- 11. When there is valid interest in a particular educational program not offered in the district of residence.
- 12. To provide a change in school environment for reasons of personal and social adjustment.

The Superintendent or designee may deny initial requests for interdistrict attendance permits due to limited district resources, overcrowding of school facilities at the relevant grade level, or other considerations that are not arbitrary. However, once a student is admitted, the district may not deny him/her continued attendance because of overcrowded facilities at the relevant grade level.

Within 30 calendar days of a request for an interdistrict permit, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parents/guardians of a-student who is denied interdistrict attendance regarding the process for appeal to the County Board of Education as specified in Education Code 46601. (Education Code 46601)

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(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
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Pending a decision by the two districts or an appeal by the County Board, the Superintendent or designee may provisionally admit a student who resides in another district for a period not to exceed two school months. (Education Code 46603)

Students who are under consideration for expulsion or who have been expelled may not appeal interdistrict attendance denials or decisions while expulsion proceedings are pending or during the term of the expulsion. (Education Code 46601)

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(cf. 5119 - Students Expelled from Other Districts)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
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Once a student is admitted to a school on the basis of an interdistrict attendance permit, he/she shall not be required to reapply for an interdistrict transfer and shall be allowed to continue to attend the school in which he/she is enrolled, unless reapplication standards are

### **INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE** (continued)

otherwise specified in the interdistrict attendance agreement. Existing interdistrict attendance permits shall not be rescinded for students entering grade 11 or 12 in the subsequent school year. (Education Code 46600)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any communication sent to parents/guardians is factually accurate and does not target particular neighborhoods or individual parents/guardians on the basis of a child's actual or perceived academic or athletic performance or any other personal characteristic. (Education Code 48301)

An interdistrict transfer student will be ineligible for all varsity site level competition for one calendar year from the date the student enters school. Site level employee transfers will not be subject to the restriction on participation in varsity sports.

The district shall give priority for attendance to siblings of students already in attendance in the district. (Education Code 48306)

The district may accept any completed coursework, attendance, and other academic progress credited to an accepted student by any district(s) he/she has previously attended and may grant academic standing to the student based upon the district's evaluation of the student's academic progress. (Education Code 48309)

(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity of Academic Credit)

The district may revoke a student's enrollment if he/she is recommended for expulsion pursuant to Education Code 48918. (Education Code 48309)

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

# Behavioral Performance, Attendance, Diligence to Studies, and Capacity

The Tulare Joint Union High School District, prior to approving an interdistrict attendance request to transfer into the district, may contact the student's district of residence to determine whether the student meets the Tulare Joint Union High School District standards of behavioral performance, attendance, and diligence to studies. If a student is determined to be experiencing difficulties in these areas, the district may recommend that the interdistrict attendance request be denied.

- 1. District right to deny permit: The Tulare Joint Union High School District reserves the right to deny any interdistrict permit request before the student is enrolled in this district for the following reasons:
  - a. Behavioral standards: The student is failing to maintain behavioral standards established by his/her district of residence.

# INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE (continued)

- b. Attendance/Tardies: The student has experienced difficulty in regularly attending and/or arriving on time for his/her district of residence.
- c. Classes overcrowded: Classes in this district are determined to be overcrowded and space is needed to permit the enrollment of additional students who reside in this district.
- d. Diligence to studies: The Tulare Joint Union High School District may not accept any student that is not working up to their individual ability level.
- e. Interdistrict notification: All parents of interdistrict students will be notified in writing of the requirements for being granted an interdistrict permit. Any violation of the requirements may result in the interdistrict being revoked and/or the interdistrict permit not being granted in subsequent years.
- 2. District right to revoke permit: The Tulare Joint Union High School District reserves the right to revoke any interdistrict attendance permit at any time during the school year for the following reasons:
  - a. Failure to maintain behavioral standards: The student is failing to maintain behavioral standards established by the district.
  - b. Attendance/tardy problems: The student has experienced difficulty in regularly attending and/or arriving on time.
  - c. Diligence to studies: If the district feels that the student is not working up to his/her potential, then the interdistrict may be revoked.
  - d. Additional financial burden: If our interdistrict transfer student requires additional financial support beyond the amount generated by the ADA revenue, intended for that child the interdistrict permit may be revoked.

# Regulation

# TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS

The Board of Trustees desires to offer enrollment options in order to provide children with opportunities for academic achievement that meet their diverse needs. Such options shall also be provided to children who reside within another district's boundaries in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

Whenever a student is attending a district school on the Open Enrollment List as identified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, he/she may transfer to another school within or outside of the district, as long as the school to which he/she is transferring has a higher Academic Performance Index. (Education Code 48354, 48356)

A parent/guardian whose child is attending a district school on the Open Enrollment List and who wishes to have his/her child attend another school within the district shall apply for enrollment using BP/AR 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment.

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(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
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In order to ensure that priorities for enrollment in district schools are implemented in accordance with law, the Board hereby waives the January 1 deadline in Education Code 48354 for all applications for transfer from nonresident parents/guardians of children attending a school on the Open Enrollment List in another district. Transfer applications shall be submitted between March 7, 2011 and April 1, 2011 of the preceding school year for which the transfer is requested.

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(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5111.12 - Residency Based on Parent/Guardian Employment)
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The Board may deny a transfer out of or into the district upon a determination by the Board that the transfer would negatively impact a court-ordered or voluntary desegregation plan in accordance with Education Code 48355.

# Standards for Rejection of Transfer Applications

Pursuant to Education Code 48356, the Board has adopted the following standards for acceptance and rejection of transfer applications submitted by a parent/guardian of a student attending a school in another district on the Open Enrollment List. The Superintendent or designee shall apply these standards in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation and shall ensure that the standards are applied uniformly and consistently.

As applicable, the Superintendent or designee may deny a transfer application under any of the following circumstances:

1. Upon a determination that approval of the transfer application would negatively impact the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or school building, including:

# OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS (continued)

- a. The class or grade level exceeding the district's limits pursuant to the state Class Size Reduction Program or the Morgan/Hart Class Size Reduction Program for Grades 9-12
- b. The site, classroom, or program exceeding the maximum student-teacher ratio specified in the district's collective bargaining agreement
- c. The site or classroom exceeding the physical capacity of the facility pursuant to the district's facilities master plan or other facility planning document
- d. The class or grade level exceeding capacity pursuant items #a-#c above in subsequent years as the student advances to other grade levels at the school

(cf. 6151 - Class Size) (cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

- 2. Upon a determination that approval of the transfer application would have an adverse financial impact on the district, including:
  - a. The hiring of additional certificated or classified staff
  - b. The operation of additional classrooms or instructional facilities
  - c. Expenses incurred by the district that would not be covered by the apportionment of funds received from the state resulting in a reduction of the resources available to resident students

# **Appeal Process for Denials of Transfer Applications**

A parent/guardian may appeal the district's denial of a transfer application to the Board by filing a written request of appeal with the Superintendent or designee within 10 days of the receipt of the written notification of denial. In addition, a parent/guardian who believes he/she has been subject to discrimination may file an appeal using the district's Uniform Complaint Procedures.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

The Board shall schedule an appeal hearing as soon as practicable at a regular or special meeting of the Board. At the hearing, the parent/guardian shall have the right to present oral or written evidence, rebut district evidence, and question any district witnesses. Unless the parent/guardian requests that the hearing be held in open session, the hearing shall be held in closed session in order to protect the privacy of students in accordance with law.

# **OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS** (continued)

The Board shall make its decision by the next regularly scheduled meeting and shall send its decision to all concerned parties. The Board's decision shall be final.

### **Program Evaluation**

The Superintendent or designee shall collect data regarding the number of students who transfer out of the district pursuant to the Open Enrollment Act. He/she also shall collect data regarding the number of students who apply to transfer into the district, the number of requests granted, denied, or withdrawn, and the district schools and programs receiving applications.

When the Superintendent or designee anticipates that a particular school will receive a large number of transfer applications, he/she shall study the enrollment pattern at that school in order to anticipate future resident enrollment at the school and at the district schools into which those students would normally matriculate.

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board regarding the implementation of this program.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

### **OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS** (continued)

### Legal Reference:

### **EDUCATION CODE**

200 Prohibition of discrimination

35160.5 District policies, rules, and regulations

46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance agreements

48200 Compulsory attendance

48204 Residency requirements for school attendance

48300-48316 Student attendance alternatives, school district of choice program

48350-48361 Open Enrollment Act

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48915.1 Expelled individuals: enrollment in another district

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6500-6552 Caregivers

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6316 Transfers from program improvement schools

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4700-4703 Open Enrollment Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

200.36 Dissemination of information

200.37 Notice of program improvement status, option to transfer

200.39 Program improvement, transfer option

200.42 Corrective action, transfer option

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Policy

TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

adopted: November 18, 2010

Tulare, California

### OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS

### **Definitions**

District of enrollment means the district, other than the district in which the student's parent/guardian resides, in which the parent/guardian intends to enroll his/her child. (Education Code 48352)

District of residence means the district in which the parent/guardian of a student resides and in which the student would otherwise be required to enroll pursuant to Education-Code 48200. (Education Code 48352)

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)

Open enrollment school means a "low-achieving" school identified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) pursuant to Education Code 48352 and 5 CCR 4701. (Education Code 48352; 5 CCR 4701)

# Transfer Applications into a District School

Enrollment priority shall be available to students who reside within this district. No student who resides within a school's attendance area or who is currently enrolled in a school shall be displaced by a student who is transferring pursuant Education Code 48350-48361 or 5 CCR 4700-4703. (Education Code 48354, 48356)

Applications shall be submitted within the deadlines established by Board policy.

However, the application deadline shall not apply to an application requesting a transfer if the parent/guardian with whom the student resides is enlisted in the military and was relocated by the military within 90 days prior to submitting the application. (Education Code 48354)

(cf. 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)

The parent/guardian's application may request enrollment of his/her child in a specific school or program. Requests for admission to a magnet school or program designed to serve gifted and talented students shall be subject to the usual admission requirements established by the district for district students. Except for such specialized admission requirements, the Superintendent or designee shall not consider the student's previous academic achievement, athletic performance, physical condition, English language proficiency, family income, or any of the prohibited bases for discrimination listed in Education Code 200. (Education Code 48354, 48356)

# OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS (continued)

Students applying for open enrollment transfers shall be assigned priority for approval as follows: (Education Code 48356)

- 1. First priority for the siblings of students who already attend the desired school
- 2. Second priority for students transferring from a program improvement school ranked in decile 1 on the Academic Performance Index (API)

If the number of students who request a particular school exceeds the number of spaces available at that school, the Superintendent or designee shall conduct a lottery, in the group priority order identified in items #1 and #2 above, to select students at random until all of the available spaces are filled. (Education Code 48356)

Within 60 days of receiving the application, the Superintendent or designee shall provide written notification to the parent/guardian and the student's district of residence as to whether the application has been accepted or rejected. If the application has been rejected, the notice shall state the reasons for the rejection. If the application has been approved, the notification shall specify the particular school site and the school's address to which the student has been admitted. (Education Code 48357; 5 CCR 4702)

# Terms of Approval

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the school to which the student is transferring has a higher API than the school in which the student was previously enrolled. (Education Code 48356)

The parent/guardian shall enroll his/her child on or before the first day of instruction or within 14 calendar days of receipt of the district's notice of approval of the application, whichever is later. If the parent/guardian fails to enroll his/her child within this timeframe, the district may decline to enroll the student. (5 CCR 4703)

Upon enrollment, the district shall grant the student any credits towards graduation that he/she received from his/her district of residence. The student shall be eligible for graduation from district schools upon completion of state and district graduation requirements. (Education Code 48358)

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(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)
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<sup>(</sup>cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

<sup>(</sup>cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)

<sup>(</sup>cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

# OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS (continued)

A student admitted to a district school through this process shall be deemed to have fulfilled district residency requirements pursuant to Education Code 48204 and shall not be required to reapply for enrollment in that school, regardless of whether his/her school of residence remains on the Open Enrollment List. (Education Code 48356; 5 CCR 4702)

Once admitted, a transfer student who wishes to matriculate into a district middle or high school or transfer to another district school shall reapply for admission to the new school pursuant to the requirements of Board policy and administrative regulation.

Parents/guardians are responsible for transporting their children to school.

# Transfers out of District Schools on the Open Enrollment List

Upon identification by the California Department of Education (CDE) that a district school is on the Open Enrollment List, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parents/guardians of each student enrolled in the school of the option to transfer. This notice shall be provided by the first day of instruction. However, if the CDE has not notified the district whether a school is on the list by the first day of instruction, the notification shall be provided no later than 14 calendar days after the Open Enrollment List is posted on the CDE's web site. (Education Code 48354; 5 CCR 4702)

(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools) (cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

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Students AR 5125(a)

### STUDENT RECORDS

#### **Definitions**

Student means any individual who is or has been in attendance at the district and regarding whom the district maintains student records. (34 CFR 99.3)

Attendance includes, but is not limited to, attendance in person or by paper correspondence, videoconference, satellite, Internet, or other electronic information and telecommunication technologies for students who are not physically present in the classroom, and the period during which a person is working under a work-study program. (34 CFR 99.3)

Student records are any items of information (in handwriting, print, tape, film, computer, or other medium) gathered within or outside the district that are directly related to an identifiable student and maintained by the district, required to be maintained by an employee in the performance of his/her duties, or maintained by a party acting for the district. Any information maintained for the purpose of second-party review is considered a student record. Student records include the student's health record. (Education Code 49061, 49062; 5 CCR 430; 34 CFR 99.3)

Student records do not include: (Education Code 49061, 49062; 5 CCR 430; 34 CFR 99.3)

1. Directory information

(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

- 2. Informal notes compiled by a school officer or employee which remain in the sole possession of the maker, are used only as a personal memory aid, and are not accessible or revealed to any other person except a substitute employee
- 3. Records of the law enforcement unit of the district, subject to 34 CFR 99.8

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(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
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- 4. Records created or received by the district after an individual is no longer a student in attendance and that are not directly related to the individual's attendance as a student
- 5. Grades on peer-graded papers before they are collected and recorded by a teacher

Mandatory permanent student records are those records which are maintained in perpetuity and which schools have been directed to compile by state law, regulation, or administrative directive. (5 CCR 430)

Mandatory interim student records are those records which the schools are directed to compile and maintain for specified periods of time and are then destroyed in accordance with state law, regulation, or administrative directive. (5 CCR 430)

Permitted student records are those records having clear importance only to the current educational process of the student. (5 CCR 430)

Disclosure means to permit access to, or the release, transfer, or other communication of, personally identifiable information contained in student records to any party, except the party that provided or created the record, by any means including oral, written, or electronic. (34 CFR 99.3)

Access means a personal inspection and review of a record or an accurate copy of a record, or receipt of an accurate copy of a record or an oral description or communication of a record, and a request to release a copy of any record. (Education Code 49061)

Personally identifiable information includes, but is not limited to: (34 CFR 99.3)

- 1. The student's name
- 2. The name of the student's parent/guardian or other family members
- 3. The address of the student or student's family
- 4. A personal identifier, such as the student's social security number, student number, or biometric record (e.g., fingerprints, retina and iris patterns, voiceprints, DNA sequence, facial characteristics, and handwriting)
- 5. Other indirect identifiers, such as the student's date of birth, place of birth, and mother's maiden name
- 6. Other information that, alone or in combination, is linked or linkable to a specific student that would allow a reasonable person in the school community, who does not have personal knowledge of the relevant circumstances, to identify the student with reasonable certainty
- 7. Information requested by a person who the district reasonably believes knows the identity of the student to whom the student record relates

Adult student is a person who is or was enrolled in school and who is at least 18 years of age. (5 CCR 430)

Parent/guardian means a natural parent, an adopted parent, legal guardian, surrogate parent, or foster parent. (Education Code 49061, 56050, 56055)

Legitimate educational interest is an interest held by any school official, employee, contractor, or consultant whose duties, responsibilities, or contractual obligations to the district, whether routine or as a result of special circumstances, require him/her to have access to student records.

School officials and employees are officials or employees whose duties and responsibilities to the district, whether routine or as a result of special circumstances, require that they have access to student records.

Contractor or consultant is anyone with a formal written agreement or contract with the district regarding the provision of services or functions outsourced to him/her by the district. Contractor or consultant shall not include a volunteer or other party. (Education Code 49076)

Custodian of records is the employee responsible for the security of student records maintained by the district and for devising procedures for assuring that access to such records is limited to authorized persons. (5 CCR 433)

County placing agency means the county social service department or county probation department. (Education Code 49061)

#### Persons Granted Absolute Access

In accordance with law, absolute access to any student records shall be granted to:

- 1. Parents/guardians of a student younger than age 18 years, including the parent who is not the student's custodial parent (Education Code 49069; Family Code 3025)
- 2. An adult student, or a student under the age of 18 years who attends a postsecondary institution, in which case the student alone shall exercise rights related to his/her student records and grant consent for the release of records (34 CFR 99.3, 99.5)
- 3. Parents/guardians of an adult student with disabilities who is age 18 years or older and has been declared incompetent under state law (Education Code 56041.5)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

### Access for Limited Purpose/Legitimate Educational Interest

The following persons or agencies shall have access to those particular records that are relevant to their legitimate educational interest or other legally authorized purpose:

- 1. Parents/guardians of a student age 18 or older who is a dependent child as defined under 26 USC 152 (Education Code 49076; CFR 99.31)
- 2. Students who are age 16 or older or who have completed the 10th grade (Education Code 49076; CFR 99.31)
- 3. School officials and employees, consistent with the definition provided in the section "Definitions" above (Education Code 49076; CFR 99.31)
- 4. Members of a school attendance review board (SARB) who are authorized representatives of the district and any volunteer aide age 18 or older who has been investigated, selected, and trained by the SARB to provide follow-up services to a referred student (Education Code 49076)

### (cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

5. Officials and employees of other public schools, school systems, or postsecondary institutions where the student intends or is directed to enroll, including local, county, or state correctional facilities where educational programs leading to high school graduation are provided, or where the student is already enrolled, as long as the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer (Education Code 49076; CFR 99.31)

Unless the annual parent/guardian notification issued pursuant to Education Code 48980 includes a statement that the district may disclose students' personally identifiable information to officials of another school, school system, or postsecondary institution where the student seeks or intends to enroll, the Superintendent or designee shall, when such a disclosure is made, make a reasonable attempt to notify the parent/guardian or adult student at his/her last known address, provide a copy of the record that is disclosed, and give the parent/guardian or adult student at his/her last known address, provide a copy of the record that is disclosed, and give the parent/guardian or adult student an opportunity for a hearing to challenge the record. (34 CFR 99.34)

6. The Student Aid Commission, to provide the grade point average (GPA) of all district students in grade 12 and, when requested, verification of high school graduation or its equivalent of all students who graduated in the prior academic year, for use in the Cal Grant postsecondary financial aid program. However, such information shall not be submitted when students opt out or are permitted by the rules of the Student Aid Commission to provide test scores in lieu of the GPA. (Education Code 69432.9, 69432.92)

No later than October 15 each year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify each student in grade 12, and his/her parents/guardians if the student is under age 18 years, that the student's GPA will be forwarded to the Student Aid Commission unless he/she opts out within a period of time specified in the notice, which shall not be less than 30 days. (Education Code 69432.9)

Student's social security numbers shall not be included in the submitted information unless the Student Aid Commission deems it necessary to complete the financial aid application and the Superintendent or designee obtains permission from the student's parent/guardian, or from the adult student, to submit the social security number. (Education Code 69432.9)

- 7. Federal, state, and local officials, as needed for an audit, evaluation, or compliance activity related to a state or federally funded education program and in accordance with a written agreement developed pursuant to 34 CFR 99.35 (Education Code 49076; CFR 99.3, 99.31, 99.35).
- 8. Any county placing agency acting as an authorized representative of a state or local educational agency which is required to audit or evaluate a state or federally supported education program pursuant to item #7 above (Education Code 49076)
- 9. Any person, agency, or organization authorized in compliance with a court order or lawfully issued subpoena (Education Code 49077; 5 CCR 435; 34 CFR 99.31)
  - Unless otherwise instructed by the court, the Superintendent or designee shall, prior to disclosing a record pursuant to a court order or subpoena, give the parent/guardian or adult student at least three days' notice of the name of the requesting agency and the specific record requested, if lawfully possible within the requirements of the judicial order. (Education Code 49077; 5 CCR 435; 34 CFR 99.31)
- 10. Any district attorney who is participating in or conducting a truancy mediation program or participating in the presentation of evidence in a truancy petition (Education Code 49076)
- 11. A district attorney's office for consideration against a parent/guardian for failure to comply with compulsory education laws (Education Code 49076)
- 12. Any probation officer, district attorney, or counsel of record for a minor student for the purposes of conducting a criminal investigation or an investigation in regards to declaring the minor student a ward of the court or involving a violation of a condition of probation, subject to evidentiary rules specified in Welfare an Institutions Code 701 (Education Code 49076)

When disclosing records for these purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall obtain written certification from the recipient of the records that the information will not be disclosed to another party without prior written consent of the student's parent/guardian or the holder of the student's educational rights, unless specifically authorized by state or federal law. (Education Code 49076)

13. Any judge or probation officer for the purpose of conducting a truancy mediation program for a student or for the purpose of presenting evidence in a truancy petition pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 681 (Education Code 49076)

In such cases, the judge or probation officer shall certify in writing to the Superintendent or designee that the information will be used only for truancy purposes. Upon releasing student information to a judge or probation officer, the Superintendent or designee shall inform, or provide written notification to, the student's parent/guardian within 24 hours. (Education Code 49076)

14. A foster family agency with jurisdiction, over a currently enrolled or former student; short-term residential treatment program staff responsible for the education or case management of a student; or a caregiver who has direct responsibility for the care of a student, including a certified or licensed foster parent, an approved relative or nonrelated extended family member, or a resource family, as defined (Education Code 49076)Such individuals shall have access to the student's current or most recent records of grades, transcripts, attendance, discipline, online communication on platforms established by schools for students and parents/guardians, and any individualized education program or Section 504 plan developed and maintained by the district. (Education Code 49069.3)

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504) (cf. 6173 - Education for Foster Youth)

15. A student age 14 years or older who is both a homeless student and an unaccompanied minor as defined in 42 USC 11434a (Education Code 49076)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless children)

- 16. An individual who completes items #1-4 of the caregiver's authorization affidavit pursuant to Family Code 6552 and signs the affidavit for the purpose of enrolling a minor in school (Education code 49076)
- 17. A caseworker or other representative of a state or local child welfare agency or tribal organization that has legal responsibility for the care and protection of a student, provided that the information is directly related to providing assistance to address the student's educational needs (Education Code 49076; 20 USC 1232(g))

- 18. Appropriate law enforcement authorities, in circumstances where Education Code 48902 requires that the district provide special education and disciplinary records of a student with disabilities who is suspended or expelled for committing an act violating Penal Code 245 (Education Code 48902, 49076)
  - When disclosing records for the above purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall obtain written certification by the recipient of the records as described in item #12 above. (Education Code 49076)
- 19. Designated peace officers or law enforcement agencies in cases where the district is authorized by law to assist law enforcement in investigations of suspected criminal conduct or kidnapping and a written parental consent, lawfully issued subpoena, or court order is submitted to the district, or information is provided to it indicating that an emergency exists in which the student's information is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other individuals (Education Code 49076.5, 34 CFR 99.1-99.67)

In such cases, the Superintendent or designee shall provide information about the identity and location of the student as it relates to the transfer of that student's records to another public school district of California private school. (Education Code 49076.5)

When disclosing records for the above purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall obtain the necessary documentation to verify that the person, agency, or organization is a person, agency, or organization that is permitted to receive such records.

Any person, agency, or organization granted access is prohibited from releasing information to another person, agency, or organization without written permission from the parent/guardian or adult student unless specifically allowed by state law or the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. (Education Code 49076)

In addition, the parent/guardian or adult student may provide written consent for access to be granted to persons, agencies, or organizations not afforded access rights by law. The written consent shall specify the records to be released and the party or parties to whom they may be released. (Education Code 49075)

Only a parent/guardian having legal custody of the student may consent to the release of records to others. Either parent/guardian may grant consent if both parents/guardians notify the district, in writing, that such an agreement has been made. (Education Code 49061)

### **Discretionary Access**

At his/her discretion, Superintendent or designee may release information from a student's records to the following:

1. Appropriate persons, including parents/guardians of a student, in an emergency, if the health and safety of the student or other persons are at stake (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31, 99.32, 99.36)

When releasing information to any such appropriate person, the Superintendent or designee shall record information about the threat to the health or safety of the student or any other person that formed the basis for the disclosure and the person(s) to whom the disclosure was made. (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.32)

Unless it would further endanger the health or safety of the student or other persons, the Superintendent or designee shall inform the parent/guardian or adult student within one week of the disclosure that the disclosure was made, of the articulable and significant threat to the health or safety of the student or other individuals that formed the basis for the disclosure, and of the parties to whom the disclosure was made.

- 2. Accrediting associations (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31)
- 3. Under the conditions specified in Education Code 49076 and 34 CFR 99.31, organizations conducting studies on behalf of educational institutions or agencies for the purpose of developing, validating, or administering predictive tests, administering student aid programs, or improving instruction, provided that: (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31)
  - a. The study is conducted in a manner that does not permit personal identification of parents/guardians and students by individuals other than representatives of the organization who have legitimate interests in the information.
  - b. The information is destroyed when no longer needed for the purposes for which the study is conducted.
  - c. The district enters into a written agreement with the organization that complies with 34 CFR 99.31.
- 4. Officials and employees of private schools or school systems where the student is enrolled or intends to enroll, subject to the rights of parents/guardians as provided in Education Code 49068 and in compliance with 34 CFR 99.34 (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31, 99.34)

- 5. Local health departments operating countywide or regional immunization information and reminder systems and the California Department of Public Health, unless the parent/guardian has requested that no disclosures of this type be made (Health and Safety Code 120440)
- 6. Contractors and consultants having a legitimate educational interest based on services or functions which have been outsourced to them through a formal written agreement or contract by the district, excluding volunteers or other parties (Education Code 49076)

(cf. 3600 - Consultants)

- 7. Agencies or organizations in connection with the student's application for or receipt of financial aid, provided that information permitting the personal identification of a student or his/her parents/guardians for these purposes is disclosed only as may be necessary to determine the eligibility of the student for financial aid, determine the amount of financial aid, determine the conditions which will be imposed regarding the financial aid, or enforce the terms or conditions of the financial aid (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31, 99.36)
- 8. County elections officials for the purpose of identifying students eligible to register to vote or offering such students an opportunity to register, subject to the provisions of 34 CFR 99.37 and under the condition that any information provided on this basis shall not be used for any other purpose or transferred to any other person or agency (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31, 99.37)

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

When disclosing records for the above purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall obtain the necessary documentation to verify that the person, agency, or organization is a person, agency, or organization that is permitted to receive such records.

### **De-identification of Records**

When authorized by law for any program audit, educational research, or other purposes, the Superintendent or designee may release information from a student record without prior consent of the parent/guardian or adult student after the removal of all personally identifiable information. Prior to releasing such information, the Superintendent or designee shall make reasonable determination that the student's identity is not personally identifiable, whether through single or multiple releases and taking into account other reasonably available information. (Education Code 49074, 49076; 34 CFR 99.31)

### **Process for Providing Access to Records**

Student records shall be maintained in a central file at the school attended by the student or, when records are maintained at different locations, a notation shall be placed in the central file indicating where other records may be found. Parents/guardians shall be notified of the location of student records if not centrally located. (Education Code 49069; 5 CCR 433)

The custodian of records shall be responsible for the security of student records and shall ensure that access is limited to authorized persons. (5 CCR 433)

The custodian of records shall develop reasonable methods, including physical, technological, and administrative controls, to ensure that school officials and employees obtain access to only those student records in which they have legitimate educational interests. (34 CFR 99.31)

To inspect, review, or obtain copies of student records, authorized persons shall submit a request to the custodian of records. Prior to granting the request, the custodian of records shall authenticate the individual's identity. For any individual granted access based on a legitimate educational interest, the request shall specify the interest involved.

When required by law, the parent/guardian shall provide written, signed and dated consent before the district discloses the student record. Such consent may be given through electronic means in those cases where it can be authenticated. The district's consent form shall specify the records that may be disclosed, state the purpose of the disclosure, and identify the party or class of parties to whom the disclosure may be made. Upon request by the parent/guardian, the district shall provide him/her a copy of the records disclosed. (34 CFR 99.30)

If the parent/guardian refuses to provide written consent for the release of student information, the Superintendent or designee shall not release the information, unless it is otherwise subject to release based on a court order or a lawful subpoena.

Within five business days following the date of request, a parent/guardian or other authorized person shall be granted access to inspect, review, and obtain copies of student records during regular school hours. (Education Code 49069)

Qualified certificated personnel shall be available to interpret records when requested. (Education Code 49069)

The custodian of records or the Superintendent or designee shall prevent the alteration, damage, or loss of records during inspection. (5 CCR 435)

### Access Log

A log shall be maintained for each student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the records and the legitimate educational interest of the requester. (Education Code 49064)

In every instance of inspection by persons who do not have assigned educational responsibility, the custodian of records shall make an entry in the log indicating the record inspected, the name of the person granted access, the reason access was granted, and the time and circumstances of inspection. (5 CCR 435)

The custodian of records shall also make an entry in the log regarding any request for records that was denied and the reason for the denial.

The log shall include requests for access to records by:

- 1. Parents/guardians or adult students
- 2. Students who are 16 years of age or older or who have completed the 10th grade
- 3. Parties obtaining district-approved directory information
- 4. Parties who provide written parental consent, in which case the consent notice shall be filed with the record pursuant to Education Code 49075
- 5. School officials and employees who have a legitimate educational interest
- 6. Law enforcement personnel seeking to enforce immigration laws

The log shall be accessible only to the parent/guardian, adult student, dependent adult student, student who is age 16 years or older or who has completed the 10th grade, custodian of records, and certain state or federal officials. (Education Code 49064; 5 CCR 432)

### **Duplication of Student Records**

To provide copies of any student record, the district shall charge a reasonable fee not to exceed the actual cost of providing the copies. No charge shall be made for providing up to two transcripts or up to two verifications of various records for any former student. No charge shall be made to locate or retrieve any student record. (Education Code 49065)

### **Changes to Student Records**

Only a parent/guardian having legal custody of the student or an adult student may challenge the content of a record or offer a written response to a record. (Education Code 49061)

(cf. 5125.3 - Challenging Student Records)

No additions except routine updating shall be made to a student's record after high school graduation or permanent departure without prior consent of the parent/guardian or adult student. (5 CCR 437)

A student's legal name or gender as entered on the mandatory student record required pursuant to 5 CCR 432 shall only be changed with proper documentation. However, at the written request of a student or, if appropriate, his/her parents/guardians, the district shall use the student's preferred name and pronouns consistent with his/her gender identity on all other district-related documents.

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

### Retention and Destruction of Student Records

All anecdotal information and assessment reports maintained as student records shall be dated and signed by the individual who originated the data. (5 CCR 431)

The following mandatory permanent student records shall be kept indefinitely: (5 CCR 432, 437)

- 1. Legal name of student
- 2. Date and place of birth and method of verifying birth date

(cf. 5111 - Admission)

- 3. Sex of student
- 4. Name and address of parent/guardian of minor student
  - a. Address of minor student if different from the above
  - b. Annual verification of parent/guardian's name and address and student's residence

- 5. Entrance and departure dates of each school year and for any summer session or other extra session
- 6. Subjects taken during each year, half-year, summer session, or quarter, and marks or credits given

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

7. Verification of or exemption from required immunizations

(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)

8. Date of high school graduation or equivalent

Mandatory interim student records, unless forwarded to another district, shall be maintained subject to destruction during the third school year after the school year in which they originated, following a determination that their usefulness has ceased or the student has left the district. These records include: (Education Code 48918, 51747; 5 CCR 432, 437, 16027)

1. Expulsion orders and the causes therefor

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(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
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- 2. A log identifying persons or agencies who request or receive information from the student record
- 3. Health information, including verification or waiver of the health screening for school entry

(cf. 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry)

4. Information on participation in special education programs, including required tests, case studies, authorizations, and evidence of eligibility for admission or discharge

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(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
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5. Language training records

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

6. Progress slips/notices required by Education Code 49066 and 49067

- 7. Parental restrictions/stipulations regarding access to directory information
- 8. Parent/guardian or adult student rejoinders to challenged records and to disciplinary action
- 9. Parent/guardian authorization or denial of student participation in specific programs
- 10. Results of standardized tests administered within the past three years

(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)

11. Written findings resulting from an evaluation conducted after a specified number of missed assignments to determine whether it is in a student's best interest to remain in independent study

(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)

Permitted student records may be destroyed six months after the student completes or withdraws from the educational program, including: (5 CCR 432, 437)

- 1. Objective counselor and/or teacher ratings
- 2. Standardized test results older than three years
- 3. Routine disciplinary data

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

- 4. Verified reports of relevant behavioral patterns
- 5. All disciplinary notices
- 6. Supplementary attendance records

Records shall be destroyed in a way that assures they will not be available to possible public inspection in the process of destruction. (5 CCR 437)

### **Transfer of Student Records**

When a student transfers into this district from another district or a private school, the Superintendent or designee shall inform the student's parent/guardian of his/her rights regarding student records, including the right to review, challenge, and receive a copy of student records. (Education Code 49068; 5 CCR 438)

When a student transfers into this district from another district the Superintendent or designee shall request that the student's previous district provide any records, either maintained by that district in the ordinary course of business or received from a law enforcement agency, regarding acts committed by the transferring student that resulted in his/her suspension or expulsion. (Education Code 48201)

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(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)
(cf. 5119 - Students Expelled From Other Districts)
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When a student transfers from this district to another school district or to a private school, the Superintendent or designee shall forward a copy of the student's mandatory permanent record within 10 school days of the district's receipt of the request for the student's records. The original record or a copy shall be retained permanently by this district. If the transfer is to another California public school, the student's entire mandatory interim record shall also be forwarded. If the transfer is out of state or to a private school, the mandatory interim record may be forwarded. Permitted student records may be forwarded to any other district or private school. (Education Code 48918; 49068; 5 CCR 438)

Upon receiving a request from a county placing agency to transfer a student in foster care out of a district school, the Superintendent or designee shall transfer the student's records to the next educational placement within two business days. (Education Code 49069.5)

All student records shall be updated before they are transferred. (5 CCR 438)

Student records shall not be withheld from the requesting district because of any charges or fees owed by the student or parent/guardian. (5 CCR 438)

If the district is withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts from the student because of his/her damage or loss of school property, this information shall be sent to the requesting district along with the student's records.

(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)

### Notification of Parents/Guardians

Upon any student's initial enrollment, and at the beginning of each school year thereafter, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians and eligible students, in writing, of their rights related to student records. If 15 percent or more of the students enrolled in the district speak a single primary language other than English, then the district shall provide these notices in that language. Otherwise, the district shall provide these notices in the student's home language insofar as practicable. The district shall effectively notify parents/guardians or eligible students with disabilities. (Education Code 49063; 34 CFR 99.7)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The notice shall include: (Education Code 49063; 34 CFR 99.7, 99.34)

- 1. The types of student records kept by the district and the information contained therein
- 2. The title(s) of the official(s) responsible for maintaining each type of record
- 3. The location of the log identifying those who request information from the records
- 4. District criteria for defining school officials and employees and for determining legitimate educational interest
- 5. District policies for reviewing and expunging student records
- 6. The right to inspect and review student records and the procedures for doing so
- 7. The right to challenge and the procedures for challenging the content of a student record that the parent/guardian or student believes to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights
- 8. The cost, if any, charged for duplicating copies of records
- 9. The categories of information defined as directory information pursuant to Education Code 49073
- 10. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's records except when disclosure without consent is authorized by law
- 11. Availability of the curriculum prospectus developed pursuant to Education Code 49091.14 containing the titles, descriptions, and instructional aims of every course offered by the school

(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)

- 12. Any other rights and requirements set forth in Education Code 49060-49078, and the right of parents/guardians to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning an alleged failure by the district to comply with 20 USC 1232g
- 13. A statement that the district forwards education records to other agencies or institutions that request the records and in which the student seeks or intends to enroll or is already enrolled as long as the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment

In addition, the annual parental notification shall include a statement that student's citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin will not be released without parental consent or a court order.

Regulation

# TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Students BP 5145.3(a)

### NONDISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT

The Board of Trustees desires to provide a safe school environment that allows all students equal access and opportunities in the district's academic, extracurricular, and other educational support programs, services, and activities. The Board prohibits, at any district school or school activity, unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying, targeted at any student by anyone, based on the student's actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, , ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.2 - Bullying)
(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)
(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)
(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)
(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
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This policy shall apply to all acts related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a district school, and to acts which occur off campus or outside of school-related or school-sponsored activities but which may have an impact or create a hostile environment at school.

Unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying may result from physical, verbal, nonverbal, or written conduct based on any of the categories listed above. Unlawful discrimination also includes the creation of a hostile environment through prohibited conduct that is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity; creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or offensive educational environment; has the effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with a student's academic performance; or otherwise adversely affects a student's educational opportunities.

Unlawful discrimination also includes disparate treatment of students based on one of the categories above with respect to the provision of opportunities to participate in school programs or activities or the provision or receipt of educational benefits or services.

The Board also prohibits any form of retaliation against any individual who reports or participates in the reporting of unlawful discrimination, files or participates in the filing of a complaint, or investigates or participates in the investigation of a complaint or report alleging unlawful discrimination. Retaliation complaints shall be investigated and resolved in the same manner as a discrimination complaint.

The Superintendent or designee shall facilitate students' access to the educational program by publicizing the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures to

students, parents/guardians, and employees. He/she shall provide training and information on the scope and use of the policy and complaint procedures and take other measures designed to increase the school community's understanding of the requirements of law related to discrimination. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly review the implementation of the district's nondiscrimination policies and practices and, as necessary, shall take action to remove any identified barrier to student access to or participation in the district's educational program. He/she shall report his/her findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

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(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 1330 - Use of Facilities)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
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Regardless of whether a complainant complies with the writing, timeline, and/or other formal filing requirements, all complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, shall be investigated and prompt action taken to stop the discrimination, prevent recurrence, and address any continuing effect on students.

Students who engage in unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, in violation of law, Board policy, or administrative regulation shall be subject to appropriate consequence or discipline, which may include suspension or expulsion when the behavior is severe or pervasive as defined in Education Code 48900.4. Any employee who permits or engages in prohibited discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

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(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21- Professional Standards)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities)
(cf. 5145.2 - Freedom of Speech/Expression)
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### **Record-Keeping**

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a record of all reported cases of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, to enable the district to monitor, address, and prevent repetitive prohibited behavior in district schools.

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(cf. 3580 - District Records)
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Legal Reference: (see next page)

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Legai	EDUCATION CODE
	200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination
	48900.3 Suspension or expulsion for act of hate violence
	48900.4 Suspension or expulsion for threats or harassment
	48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful student misconduct
	48907 Student exercise of free expression
	48950 Freedom of speech
	48985 Translation of notices
	49020-49023 Athletic programs
	51500 Prohibited instruction or activity
	51501 Prohibited means of instruction
	60044 Prohibited instructional materials
	CIVIL CODE
	1714.1 Liability of parents/guardians for willful misconduct of minor
	GOVERNMENT CODE
	11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state
	PENAL CODE
	422.55 Definition of hate crime
	422.6 Crimes, harassment
	CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
	432 Student record
	4600- 4670 Uniform complaint procedures
	4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs
	UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
	1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972
	12101-12213 Title II equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities
	UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29
	794 Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973
	UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
	2000d-2000e-17 Title VI and Title VII Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended
	2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
	6101-6107 Age Discrimination Act of 1975
	CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28
	35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints
	CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34
	99.31 Disclosure of personally identifiable information
	100.3 Prohibition of discrimination on basis of race, color or national origin
	104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504
	106.8 Designation of responsible employee for Title LX
	106.9 Notification of nondiscrimination on basis of sex
	110.25 Prohibition of discrimination based on age
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CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov California Safe Schools Coalition: http://www.casafeschools.org California Office of the Attorney General: http://oag.ca.gov First Amendment Center: http://www.firstamendmentcenter.org National School Boards Association: http://www.nsba.org

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr

### TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Policy

Tulare, California

Students AR 5145.3(a)

### NONDISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT

The district designates the individual(s) identified below as the employee(s) responsible for coordinating the district's efforts to comply with applicable state and federal civil rights laws, including Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and to answer inquiries regarding the district's nondiscrimination policies. The individual(s) shall also serve as the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures as the responsible employee to handle complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, targeting a student, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, based on the student's actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, , immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, or any other legally protected status or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. The coordinator/compliance officer(s) may be contacted at: (Education Code 234.1; 5 CCR 4621)

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(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees) (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

### **Measures to Prevent Discrimination**

To prevent unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, and bullying of students at district schools or in school activities and to ensure equal access of all students to the educational program, the Superintendent or designee shall implement the following measures:

- 1. Publicize the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures, including the coordinator/compliance officer's contact information, to students, parents/guardians, employees, volunteers, and the general public by posting them on the district's web site and other prominent locations and providing easy access to them through district-supported social media, when available.
- 2. Post in a prominent and conspicuous location on the district and school web sites information regarding Title IX prohibitions against discrimination based on a student's sex, gender, gender identity, pregnancy, and parental status, including the following: (Education Code 221.61)

- a. The name and contact information of the district's Title IX coordinator, including the phone number and email address
- b. The rights of students and the public and the responsibilities of the district under Title IX, including a list of rights as specified in Education Code 221.8 and web links to information about those rights and responsibilities located on the web sites of the Office for Equal Opportunity and the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR)
- c. A description of how to file a complaint of noncompliance with Title IX in accordance with AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures, which shall include:
  - (1) An explanation of the statute of limitations within which a complaint must be filed after an alleged incident of discrimination has occurred and how a complaint may be filed beyond the statute of limitations
  - (2) An explanation of how the complaint will be investigated and how the complainant may further pursue the complaint, including web links to this information on the OCR's web site
  - (3) A web link to the OCR complaints form and the contact information for the office, including the phone number and email address for the office

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites) (cf. 1114 - District-sponsored Social Media)

- 3. Provide to students a handbook that contains age-appropriate information that clearly describes the district's nondiscrimination policy, procedures for filing a complaint, and resources available to students who feel that they have been the victim of any such behavior. (Education Code 234.1)
- 4. Annually notify all students and parents/guardians of the district's nondiscrimination policy, including its responsibility to provide a safe, nondiscriminatory school environment for all students, including transgender and gender-nonconforming students. The notice shall inform students and parents/guardians that they may request to meet with the compliance officer to determine how best to accommodate or resolve concerns that may arise from the district's implementation of its nondiscrimination policies. The notice shall also inform all students and parents/guardians that, to the extent possible, the district will address any individual student's interests and concerns in private.

- 5. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that students and parents/guardians, including those with limited English proficiency, are notified of how to access the relevant information provided in the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures, notices, and forms in a language they can understand.
  - If 15 percent of more of students enrolled in a particular district school speak a single primary language other than English, the district's policy, regulation, forms, and notices concerning nondiscrimination shall be translated into that language in accordance with Education Code 234.1 and 48985. In all other instances, the district shall ensure meaningful access to all relevant information for parents/guardians with limited English proficiency.
- 6. Provide to students, employees, volunteers, and parents/guardians age-appropriate training and information regarding the district's nondiscrimination policy; what constitutes prohibited discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying; how and to whom a report of an incident should be made; and how to guard against segregating or stereotyping students when providing instruction, guidance, supervision, or other services to them. Such training and information shall include details of guidelines the district may use to provide a discrimination-free environment for all district students, including transgender and gender-nonconforming students.

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(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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- 7. At the beginning of each school year, inform school employees that any employee who witnesses any act of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, against a student is required to intervene if it is safe to do so. (Education Code 234.1)
- 8. At the beginning of each school year, inform each principal or designee of the district's responsibility to provide appropriate assistance or resources to protect students from threatened or potentially discriminatory behavior and ensure their privacy rights.

### **Enforcement of District Policy**

The Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate actions to reinforce BP 5145.3-Nondiscrimination/Harassment. As needed, these actions may include any of the following:

1. Removing vulgar or offending graffiti

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)

- 2. Providing training to students, staff, and parents/guardians about how to recognize unlawful discrimination and how to report it or file a complaint, and how to respond
- 3. Disseminating and/or summarizing the district's policy and regulation regarding unlawful discrimination
- 4. Consistent with laws regarding the confidentiality of student and personnel records, communicating to students, parents/guardians, and the community the school's response plan to unlawful discrimination or harassment

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(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)
(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
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5. Taking appropriate disciplinary action against students, employees, and anyone determined to have engaged in wrongdoing in violation of district policy, including any student who is found to have filed a complaint of discrimination that he/she knew was not true

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(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
(cf. 6159.4 - Behavioral Interventions for Special Education Students)
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### **Process for Initiating and Responding to Complaints**

Any student who feels that he/she has been subjected to unlawful discrimination described above or in district policy is strongly encouraged to immediately contact the compliance officer, principal, or any other staff member. In addition, any student who observes any such incident is strongly encouraged to report the incident to the compliance officer or principal, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

Any school employee who observes an incident of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying or to whom such an incident is reported shall report the incident to the compliance officer or principal within a school day, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

Any school employee who witnesses an incident of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, shall immediately intervene to stop the incident when it is safe to do so. (Education Code 234.1)

When a verbal report of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, is made to or received by the principal or compliance officer, he/she shall make a note of the report and encourage the student or parent/guardian to file the complaint in writing, pursuant to the provisions in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. Once notified verbally or in writing, the principal or compliance officer shall begin the investigation and shall implement immediate measures necessary to stop the discrimination and ensure that all students have access to the educational program and a safe school environment. Any interim measures adopted to address unlawful discrimination shall, to the extent possible, not disadvantage the complainant or a student who is the victim of the alleged unlawful discrimination.

Any report or complaint alleging unlawful discrimination by the principal, compliance officer, or any other person to whom a report would ordinarily be made or complaint filed shall instead be made to or filed with the Superintendent or designee who shall determine how the complaint will be investigated.

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

# Transgender and Gender-Nonconforming Students

Gender identity of a student means the student's gender-related identity, appearance, or behavior as determined from the student's internal sense of his/her gender, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance, or behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the student's physiology or assigned sex at birth.

Gender expression means a student's gender-related appearance and behavior, whether stereotypically associated with the student's assigned sex at birth. (Education Code 210.7)

Gender transition refers to the process in which a student changes from living and identifying as the sex assigned to the student at birth to living and identifying as the sex that corresponds to the student's gender identity.

Gender-nonconforming student means a student whose gender expression differs from stereotypical expectations.

Transgender student means a student whose gender identity is different from the gender he/she was assigned at birth.

Regardless of whether they are sexual in nature, acts of verbal, nonverbal, or physical aggression, intimidation, or hostility that are based on sex, gender identity, or gender expression, or that have the purpose or effect of producing a negative impact on the student's academic performance or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment are prohibited. Examples of the types of conduct which are prohibited in the district and which may constitute gender-based harassment include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Refusing to address a student by a name and the pronouns consistent with his/her gender identity
- 2. Disciplining or disparaging a student or excluding him/her from participating in activities for behavior or appearance that is consistent with his/her gender identity or that does not conform to stereotypical notions of masculinity or femininity, as applicable
- 3. Blocking a student's entry to the restroom that corresponds to his/her gender identity
- 4. Taunting a student because he/she participates in an athletic activity more typically favored by a student of the other sex
- 5. Revealing a student's transgender status to individuals who do not have a legitimate need for the information, without the student's consent
- 6. Use of gender-specific slurs
- 7. Physical assault of a student motivated by hostility toward him/her because of his/her gender, gender identity, or gender expression

The district's uniform complaint procedures (AR 1312.3) shall be used to report and resolve complaints alleging discrimination against transgender and gender-nonconforming students.

Examples of bases for complaints include, but are not limited to, the above list as well as improper rejection by the district of a student's asserted gender identity, denial of access to facilities that correspond with a student's gender identity, improper disclosure of a student's transgender status, discriminatory enforcement of a dress code, and other instances of gender-based harassment.

To ensure that transgender and gender-nonconforming students are afforded the same rights, benefits, and protections provided to all students by law and Board policy, the district shall address each situation on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. Right to privacy: A student's transgender or gender-nonconforming status is his/her private information and the district shall only disclose the information to others with the student's prior written consent, except when the disclosure is otherwise required by law or when the district has compelling evidence that disclosure is necessary to preserve the student's physical or mental well-being. In any case, the district shall only allow disclosure of a student's personally identifiable information to employees with a legitimate educational interest as determined by the district pursuant to 34 CFR 99.31. Any district employee to whom a student's transgender or gender-nonconforming status is disclosed shall keep the student's information confidential.

When disclosure of a student's gender identity is made to a district employee by a student, the employee shall seek the student's permission to notify the compliance

officer. If the student refuses to give permission, the employee shall keep the student's information confidential, unless he/she is required to disclose or report the student's information pursuant to this administrative regulation, and shall inform the student that honoring the student's request may limit the district's ability to meet the student's needs related to his/her status as a transgender or gender-nonconforming student. If the student permits the employee to notify the compliance officer, the employee shall do so within three school days.

As appropriate given the students need for support, the compliance officer may discuss with the student any need to disclose the student's transgender or gender-nonconformity status or gender identity or gender expression to his/her parents/guardians and/or others, including other students, teacher(s), or other adults on campus. The district shall offer support services, such as counseling, to students who wish to inform their parents/guardians of their status and desire assistance in doing so.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records) (cf. 3580 - District Records)

- 2. Determining a Student's Gender Identity: The compliance officer shall accept the student's assertion of his/her gender identity and begin to treat the student consistent with his/her gender identity unless district personnel present a credible and supportable basis for believing that the student's assertion is for an improper purpose.
- Addressing a Student's Transition Needs: The compliance officer shall arrange a 3. meeting with the student and, if appropriate, his/her parents/guardians to identify, and develop strategies for ensuring that the student's access to education programs and activities is maintained. The meeting shall discuss the transgender or gendernonconforming student's rights and how those rights may affect and be affected by the rights of other students and shall address specific subjects related to the student's access to facilities and to academic or educational support programs, services, or activities, including, but not limited to, sports and other competitive endeavors. In addition, the compliance officer shall identify specific school site employee(s) to whom the student may report any problem related to his/her status as a transgender or gender-nonconforming individual, so that prompt action can be taken to address it. Alternatively, if appropriate and desired by the student, the school may form a support team for the student that will meet periodically to assess whether the arrangements for the student are meeting his/her educational needs and providing equal access to programs and activities, educate appropriate staff about the student's transition, and serve as a resource to the student to better protect the student from gender-based discrimination.
- 4. Accessibility to Sex-Segregated Facilities, Programs, and Activities: When the district maintains sex-segregated facilities, such as restrooms and locker rooms, or offers sex-segregated programs and activities, such as physical education classes,

intermural sports, and interscholastic athletic programs, students shall be permitted to access facilities and participate in programs and activities consistent with their gender identity. To address any student's privacy concerns in using sex-segregated facilities, the district shall offer available options, such as a gender-neutral or single-use restroom or changing area, a bathroom stall with a door, an area in the locker room separated by a curtain or screen, access to a staff member's office, or use of the locker room before or after the other students. However, the district shall not require a student to utilize these options because he/she is transgender or gender-nonconforming. In addition, a student shall be permitted to participate in accordance with his/her gender identity in other circumstances where students are separated by gender, such as for class discussions, yearbook pictures, and field trips. A student's right to participate in a sex-segregated activity in accordance with his/her gender identity shall not render invalid or inapplicable any other eligibility rule established for participation in the activity.

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(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
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5. Student Records: A student's legal name or gender as entered on the mandatory student record required pursuant to 5 CCR 432 shall only be changed with proper documentation. However, at the written request of a student or, if appropriate, his/her parents/guardians, the district shall use the student's preferred name and pronouns consistent with his/her gender identity on all other district-related documents. Such preferred name may be added to the student's record and official documents as permitted by law.

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(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)
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- 6. Names and Pronouns: If a student so chooses, district personnel shall be required to address the student by a name and the pronouns consistent with his/her gender identity, without the necessity of a court order or a change to his/her official district record. However, inadvertent slips or honest mistakes by district personnel in the use of the student's name and/or consistent pronouns will, in general, not constitute a violation of this administrative regulation or the accompanying district policy.
- 7. Uniforms/Dress Code: A student has the right to dress in a manner consistent with his/her gender identity, subject to any dress code adopted on a school site.

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Regulation

Students BP 5145.7(a)

#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The Board of Trustees is committed to maintaining a safe school that is free from harassment and discrimination. The Board prohibits, at school or at school-sponsored or school-related activities, sexual harassment targeted at any student by anyone. The Board also prohibits retaliatory behavior or action against any person who reports, files a complaint or testifies about, or otherwise supports a complainant in alleging sexual harassment.

The district strongly encourages any student who feels that he/she is being or has been sexually harassed on school grounds or at a school-sponsored or school-related activity by another student or an adult who has experienced off-campus sexual harassment that has a continuing effect on campus to immediately contact his/her teacher, the principal, or any other available school employee. Any employee who receives a report or observes an incident of sexual harassment shall notify the principal or a district compliance officer. Once notified, the principal or compliance officer shall take the steps to investigate and address the allegation, as specified in the accompanying administrative regulation.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.2 - Bullying)
(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)
(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 6142.1 - Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction)
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The Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate actions to reinforce the district's sexual harassment policy.

### Instruction/Information

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district students receive age-appropriate instruction and information on sexual harassment. Such instruction and information shall include:

- 1. What acts and behavior constitute sexual harassment, including the fact that sexual harassment could occur between people of the same sex and could involve sexual violence
- 2. A clear message that students do not have to endure sexual harassment under any circumstance
- 3. Encouragement to report observed incidents of sexual harassment even where the alleged victim of the harassment has not complained

## SEXUAL HARASSMENT (continued)

- 4. A clear message that student safety is the district's primary concern, and that any separate rule violation involving an alleged victim or any other person reporting a sexual harassment incident will be addressed separately and will not affect the manner in which the sexual harassment complaint will be received, investigated, or resolved
- 5. A clear message that, regardless of a complainant's noncompliance with the writing, timeline, or other formal filing requirements, every sexual harassment allegation that involves a student, whether as the complainant, respondent, or victim of the harassment, shall be investigated and prompt action shall be taken to stop any harassment, prevent recurrence, and address any continuing effect on students
- 6. Information about the district's procedure for investigating complaints and the person(s) to whom a report of sexual harassment should be made
- 7. Information about the rights of students and parents/guardians to file a civil or criminal complaint, as applicable, including the right to file a civil or criminal complaint while the district investigation of a sexual harassment complaint continues
- 8. A clear message that, when needed, the district will take interim measures to ensure a safe school environment for a student who is the complainant or victim of sexual harassment and/or other students during an investigation and that, to the extent possible, when such interim measures are taken, they shall not disadvantage the complainant or victim of the alleged harassment

Sexual harassment complaints by and against students shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with law and district procedures specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. Principals are responsible for notifying students and parents/guardians that complaints of sexual harassment can be filed under AR 1312.3 and where to obtain a copy of the procedures.

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)

Upon investigation of a sexual harassment complaint, any student found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual violence in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action. For students in grades 4-12, disciplinary action may include suspension and/or expulsion, provided that, in imposing such discipline, the entire circumstances of the incident(s) shall be taken into account.

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(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
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Upon investigation of a sexual harassment complaint, any employee found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual violence toward any student shall have his/her employment terminated in accordance with law and the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

# SEXUAL HARASSMENT (continued)

(cf. 4117.7 - Employment Status Report)

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)

### Record-Keeping

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a record of all reported cases of sexual harassment to enable the district to monitor, address, and prevent repetitive harassing behavior in district schools.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

# Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

48900 Grounds for suspension or expulsion

48900.2 Additional grounds for suspension or expulsion; sexual harassment

48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful student misconduct

48980 Notice at beginning of term

CIVIL CODE

51.9 Liability for sexual harassment; business, service and professional relationships

1714.1 Liability of parents/guardians for willful misconduct of minor

# **GOVERNMENT CODE**

12950.1 Sexual harassment training

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1221 Application of laws

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

1681-1688 Title IX, discrimination

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1983 Civil action for deprivation of rights

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99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

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Policy

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#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The district designates the following individual(s) as the responsible employee(s) to coordinate its efforts to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and California Education Code 234.1, as well as to investigate and resolve sexual harassment complaints under AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. The coordinator/compliance officer(s) may be contacted at:

Barbara Orisio 426 N. Blackstone Tulare, CA 93274 (559) 688-2021 barbara.orisio@tulare.k12.ca.us

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

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

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

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(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.2 - Bullying)
(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 6142.1 - Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction)
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Examples of types of conduct which are prohibited in the district and which may constitute sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Unwelcome leering, sexual flirtations, or propositions
- 2. Unwelcome sexual slurs, epithets, threats, verbal abuse, derogatory comments, or sexually degrading descriptions

- 3. Graphic verbal comments about an individual's body or overly personal conversation
- 4. Sexual jokes, derogatory posters, notes, stories, cartoons, drawings, pictures, obscene gestures, or computer-generated images of a sexual nature
- 5. Spreading sexual rumors
- 6. Teasing or sexual remarks about students enrolled in a predominantly single-sex class
- 7. Massaging, grabbing, fondling, stroking, or brushing the body
- 8. Touching an individual's body or clothes in a sexual way
- 9. Impeding or blocking movements or any physical interference with school activities when directed at an individual on the basis of sex
- 10. Displaying sexually suggestive objects
- 11. Sexual assault, sexual battery, or sexual coercion
- 12. Electronic communications containing comments, words, or images described above

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

#### Reporting Process and Complaint Investigation and Resolution

Any student who believes that he/she has been subjected to sexual harassment by another student, an employee, or a third party or who has witnessed sexual harassment is strongly encouraged to report the incident to his/her teacher, the principal, or any other available school employee. Within one school day of receiving such a report, the school employee shall forward the report to the principal or the district's compliance officer identified in AR 1312.3. In addition, any school employee who observes an incident of sexual harassment involving a student shall, within one school day, report his/her observation to the principal or a district compliance officer. The employee shall take these actions, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

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

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

When a verbal or informal report of sexual harassment is submitted, the principal or compliance officer shall inform the student or parent/guardian of the right to file a formal written complaint in accordance with the district's uniform complaint procedures. Regardless of whether a formal complaint is filed, the principal or compliance officer shall take steps to investigate the allegations and, if sexual harassment is found, shall take prompt action to stop it, prevent recurrence, and address any continuing effects.

If a complaint of sexual harassment is initially submitted to the principal, he/she shall, within two school days, forward the report to the compliance officer to initiate investigation of the complaint. The compliance officer shall contact the complainant and investigate and resolve the complaint in accordance with law and district procedures specified in AR 1312.3.

In investigating a sexual harassment complaint, evidence of past sexual relationships of the victim shall not be considered, except to the extent that such evidence may relate to the victim's prior relationship with the respondent.

In any case of sexual harassment involving the principal, compliance officer, or any other person to whom the incident would ordinarily be reported or filed, the report may instead be submitted to the Superintendent or designee who shall determine who will investigate the complaint.

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

#### Confidentiality

All complaints and allegations of sexual harassment shall be kept confidential except as necessary to carry out the investigation or take other subsequent necessary action. (5 CCR 4964)

However, when a complainant or victim of sexual harassment notifies the district of the harassment but requests confidentiality, the compliance officer shall inform him/her that the request may limit the district's ability to investigate the harassment or take other necessary action. When honoring a request for confidentiality, the district will nevertheless take all reasonable steps to investigate and respond to the complaint consistent with the request.

When a complainant or victim of sexual harassment notifies the district of the harassment but requests that the district not pursue an investigation, the district will determine whether or not it can honor such a request while still providing a safe and nondiscriminatory environment for all students.

### **Response Pending Investigation**

When an incident of sexual harassment is reported, the principal or designee, in consultation with the compliance officer, shall determine whether interim measures are necessary pending the results of the investigation. The principal/designee or compliance officer shall take immediate measures necessary to stop the harassment and protect students and/or ensure their access to the educational program. To the extent possible, such interim measures shall not disadvantage the complainant or victim of the alleged harassment. Interim measures may include placing the individuals involved in separate classes or transferring a student to a class taught by a different teacher, in accordance with law and Board policy. The school should notify the individual who was harassed of his/her options to avoid contact with the alleged harasser and allow the complainant to change academic and extracurricular arrangements as appropriate. The school should also ensure that the complainant is aware of the resources and assistance, such as counseling, that are available to him/her. As appropriate, such actions shall be considered even when a student chooses to not file a formal complaint or the sexual harassment occurs off school grounds or outside school-sponsored or school-related programs or activities.

#### **Notifications**

A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and regulation shall:

1. Be included in the notifications that are sent to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year (Education Code 48980; 5 CCR 4917)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

2. Be displayed in a prominent location in the main administrative building or other area where notices of district rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct are posted (Education Code 231.5)

A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and regulation shall be posted on district and school web sites and, when available, on district-supported social media.

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(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
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- 3. Be provided as part of any orientation program conducted for new students at the beginning of each quarter, semester, or summer session (Education Code 231.5)
- 4. Appear in any school or district publication that sets forth the school's or district's comprehensive rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct (Education Code 231.5)

- 5. Be included in the student handbook
- 6. Be provided to employees and employee organizations

Regulation

TULARE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

approved: July 15, 2009 revised: October 4, 2012 revised: February 5, 2015 revised: November 5, 2015 revised: February 1, 2017 Tulare, California

Tulare Joint Union High School District									
				-	Ad			ndar for 2019-2020	
		_				Instructional		Significant _	
Month	M	T	W	TH		Days	Days	Dates	Explanation
August 2019	_	-		1	2			August 5 and 6	District/Site Meetings
	5	6	7	8	9	17	3	August 7	Teacher Planning Time
	12	13	14	15	16			August 8	First Day of School
	19	20	21	22	23			A == === + 27	D 1 ( 0 1 1 1 1 1 ( / ' ' ' 1 )
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September 2019	2 9	10	11	12	13			Santambar 2	Labor Day
	9 16	17	18	19	20	19	0	September 2 September 11	Fair Day
	23	24	25	26	27	17		September 11	1 an Day
	30	∠¬	23	20	21				
October 2019	30	1	2	3	4				
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	14	15	16	17	18	23	0	October 16	PSAT Minumum Day
	21	22	23	24	25				
	28	29	30	31					
November 2019					1				
	4	5	6	7	8				
	$\bigcirc$ 11)	12	13	14	15	15	0	November 11	Veteran's Day
	18	19	20	21	22				
	25	26	27	28)	29			November 25 through 29	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 2019									
	2	3	4	5	6		_		
	9	10	11	12	13	14	1	December 20	Teacher Duty Day
	16	17	18	19	20	- 1	1		(1st Semester - 88 days)
	23	24	25)	26	27			December 23	***
T 2020	30	31		2	2			through >	Winter
anuary 2020		7		2	3			January 10	Vacation
	13	7 14	8 15	9 16	10 17	14	0		
		21	22	23	24	14		January 20	Martin Luther Vine Day
	<u>20</u> 27	28	29	30	31			January 20	Martin Luther King Day
February 2020	21	20	23	30	31				
reditionly 2020	3	4	5	6	7		0	February 3	Non School Day
		11	12	13	14	17		February 10	Lincoln's Birthday
	(10) (17)	18	19	20	21	17		February 17	President's Day
	24	25	26	27	28			1 cordary 17	resident's Day
March 2020	2	3	4	5	6				
·-w	9	10	11		13			March 13	9-week Grading Period
	16	17	18	19	20	22	0	3.532.555	,
	23	24	25	26	27				
	30	31							
April 2020			1	2	3				
	6	7	8	9	10			April 6 - April 13	Spring Vacation
	13	14	15	16	17	16	0		
	20	21	22	23	24				
	27	28	29	30					
May 2020		_			1				
	4	5	6	7	8				
	11	12	13	14	15	20	0		
	18	19	20	21	22				(2nd Semester - 92 Days)
	25	26	27	28	29	_		May 25	Memorial Day
June 2020	1	2	3	4	5	3	1	June 3	Last Day of School
			avs:					June 4	Last Teacher Duty Day

Total Student Instructional Days: 180

Graduation- Tulare Western- June 2, 2020; Tulare Union- June 3, 2020; Mission Oak- June 4, 2020

- Legal Holiday
- Teacher Duty Day (no school)
- Board Holiday
- Grade Periods

Non-School Day

<sup>4</sup> Minimum Days- Back-to-School Night (8/27), October 16, June 2 & June 3

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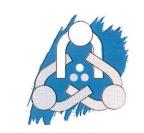
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2019-2020 School Year

### Dear Parent:

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). That law requires all schools, kindergarten through twelfth grade, to be inspected to identify any asbestos-containing building materials. The law further requires the development of a Management Plan, based upon the findings of the inspection, which outlines our intent in controlling the potential for exposure to asbestos fibers in our schools.

In the past, asbestos was used extensively in building materials because of its insulating and fire retarding capabilities. Virtually any building built before the late 1970s contains at least some asbestos in pipe insulation and structural fireproofing. We too have buildings that contain asbestos materials. The primary concern arises when these materials begin to deteriorate or become damaged.

An inspection of our schools was completed in 1989 and some asbestos-containing materials were identified in our buildings. The materials are distributed in various locations and include floor tiles, pipe and boiler insulation, and some roofing materials. None of the asbestos containing materials are readily accessible to building occupants or students.

Our Asbestos Management Plan is currently being followed. It outlines in detail the methods we use to maintain the materials in a safe manner. It also includes a schedule for the phased removal of these materials were applicable.

A copy of the Management Plan is on file for your review at each school's administrative office. The plan contains copies of individual inspection reports and other pertinent information.

Sincerely,

Antonio Rodriguez

Superintendent

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# Child Abuse Reporting Procedures

Information to assist parents and guardians in determining whether or not child abuse has occurred and, if so, how to file a complaint of child abuse with local law enforcement.

The following information will assist parents and guardians in determining whether or not child abuse has occurred and, if so, how to file a complaint of child abuse with local law enforcement. This information has been taken from the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act in the California *Penal Code* and from sections of the California *Education Code*.

# What Actions May Constitute Child Abuse

#### Child abuse can be any of the following:

A physical injury which is inflicted on a child by another person other than by accidental means.

The sexual abuse, assault, or exploitation of a child.

The negligent treatment or maltreatment of a child by a person responsible for the child's welfare under circumstances indicating harm or threatened harm to the child's health or welfare, whether the harm or threatened harm is from acts or omissions on the part of the responsible person.

The willful infliction upon a child of any cruel or inhumane corporal punishment or any injury resulting in a traumatic condition.

The willful harming or injuring of a child or endangering of the person or the health of a child where the person responsible for the child's welfare is a licensee, administrator, or employee of any facility licensed to care for children or an administrator or employee of a public or private school or other institution or agency.

#### Child abuse does not include:

A mutual fight between minors;

An injury that is caused by the actions of a peace officer using reasonable and necessary force within the scope of his or her employment;

An injury caused by any force that is reasonable and necessary for a person employed by or engaged in a school:

- 1. To stop a disturbance threatening physical injury to people or damage to property;
- 2. For purposes of self-defense;
- 3. To obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects within control of a pupil; or
- To exercise the degree of control reasonably necessary to maintain order, protect property, protect the health and safety of pupils, and maintain proper and appropriate conditions conducive to learning.

# How to File a Complaint of Child Abuse Committed at a School Site

Parents and guardians of pupils have the right to file a complaint against a school employee or other person that they suspect has engaged in abuse of a child at a school site. To file a complaint, the parent or guardian must file a formal report with an *appropriate* local law enforcement agency. An appropriate law enforcement agency may be one of the following:

A Police or Sheriff's Department (*not* including a school district police department or school security department)

A County Probation Department if designated by the county to receive child abuse reports, or

A County Welfare Department/County Child Protective Services

The complaint may be filed over the telephone, in person, or in writing. A complaint may also be filed at the same time with your school district or county office of education. School districts and county offices of education, however, do *not* investigate child abuse allegations.

#### The local law enforcement agency is required to investigate all complaints.

In addition, if the child is disabled and enrolled in special education, a separate complaint may be filed by the parent or guardian with the California Department of Education (CDE) according to Title 5 of the *California Code of Regulations* Section 4650(a)(vii)(c). The CDE does not, however, investigate allegations of child abuse but rather investigates the conditions that may involve immediate physical danger or threaten the health, safety, or welfare of the child or children or which may result in denial of a free and appropriate public education.

If the complaint of child abuse is "substantiated" or confirmed by the local law enforcement agency, meaning that the report of child abuse or neglect, as determined by the law enforcement investigator who conducted the investigation, is, based upon the evidence, more likely to have occurred than not, then a report of the investigation will be transmitted by the law enforcement agency to the governing board of the local school district or County Office of Education. A confirmed report of child abuse or neglect received by a governing board of a school district or County Office of Education will be subject to the provisions of California *Education Code* section 44031, which gives school employees certain rights regarding personnel information and records.

In addition, a confirmed report shall be forwarded by the law enforcement agency that investigated the complaint to the California Department of Justice according to California *Penal Code* Section 11169 and notice will be provided to the alleged child abuser that he or she has been reported to the Child Abuse Central Index, as maintained by the Department of Justice.

This guidance is mandatory only to the extent that it cites a specific statutory and/or regulatory requirement. Any portion of this guidance that is not supported by a specific statutory and/or regulatory requirement is not prescriptive pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 33308.5.



# **Drug and Alcohol Policy Awareness Form**

The Board of Education believes that participation in extracurricular activities is a valuable and wholesome educational experience for our students. The Board also believes that students who represent the school on such teams or groups are held to a higher standard, because they represent not only themselves, but their school. With that in mind, the Board has enacted the following regulations pertaining to the use, possession, sale, or otherwise furnishing of alcohol and drugs by members of extracurricular teams or groups that represent their school.

These rules pertain to athletics and other activities listed below that <u>are purely extracurricular in nature</u>, meaning they are supported by the school district and are <u>not part of a course where a grade is assigned</u>.

### A. Athletics

- 1. Any student involved in athletics <u>will be removed from that team if he/she chooses to use, possess, sell, or otherwise furnish alcohol or drugs</u> during school hours while under the jurisdiction of the school, or at school-sponsored events.
- 2. This policy applies to the use, possession, sale, or otherwise furnishing of alcohol or drugs **on or after the date adopted by the CIF for the first scrimmage** allowed in that sport season.
- 3. Any athlete who is removed from the team for the use, possession, sale, or otherwise furnishing alcohol or drugs will not receive a school letter or any other form of school recognition for that sport season.
- 4. In addition, any athlete violating the above provision will be suspended for up to five days, removed from <u>all</u> school activities for 20 consecutive school days, plus be placed on a one year probation.
- 5. Also, any athlete detected in the immediate area (*car*, *hotel room*, *etc.*) of alcohol or drugs while under the responsibility of the school will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of 20 consecutive school days and be placed on probation for one calendar year.
- 6. As a condition of membership in CIF, all schools shall adopt policies prohibiting the use and abuse of androgenic/anabolic steroids. All member schools shall have participating students and their parents, legal guardians/caregiver agree that the athlete will not use steroids without the written prescription of a fully licensed physician (as recognized by the AMA) to treat a medical condition (Bylaw 524).

## B. Other Extra-Curricular Activities

- 1. Any student involved in the above activities <u>will be removed from that group</u> if he/she chooses to <u>use</u>, <u>possess</u>, <u>sell</u>, <u>or otherwise furnish</u> alcohol or drugs during school hours while under the jurisdiction of the school, or at school-sponsored events.
- 2. This policy applies to the use, possession, sale, or otherwise furnishing of alcohol or drugs **on or after the first day of scheduled practice** for that particular group.
- 3. Any student who is removed from a group for the use, possession, sale, or otherwise furnishing of alcohol or drugs will not receive any form of school recognition for that activity.
- 4. In addition, any student violating the above provision will be suspended for up to five days, removed from <u>all</u> school activities for 20 consecutive school days, plus be placed on a one year probation.
- 5. Also, any student detected in the immediate area (*car*, hotel room, etc.) of alcohol or drugs while under the responsibility of the school will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of 20 consecutive school days and be placed on probation for one calendar year.

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# Tulare Joint Union High School District Student Residence Questionnaire

## **McKinney-Vento Act Declaration Form**

This questionnaire is intended to address the McKinney-Vento Act and the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001". Your answers will help determine residency and/or documents necessary for enrollment of your student and eligibility for federal services\* available to qualified students. The information you provide will not be shared with agencies outside of this school district.

Presently, where is your child/fam  □ Live in a single family residence by just one household or family i □ Live with more than one family i □ Live temporarily with a friend/re □ Live in a motel/hotel or weekly r □ Live in an emergency shelter, tr □ Live in a car, trailer park, or can □ Live in a home without electricit □ Foster child awaiting placement □ Migratory child(ren) living in Lab	e (home, house, or dwelling in a house/apartment not collative because of a financial rate housing ansitional shelter or domest appround y, water, or heat foor Camp or living in circum	which means that the build lue to financial hardship all hardship and/or loss of horestic violence shelter	using
Parent/Guardian Name:Address:			
Phone #: Home:		Cell:	
Emergency Contact Name:		Phone :	
Please list the full name of e			
"Under penalty of perjury, I verify that is status. I understand that fraudulent and denial of my student's enrollment at swill be immediately withdrawn from a is presented verifying that the statement statement and understand the condition particular program. I will send notice to participation in a particular program or	d misrepresentation of a call and school site. Addition attendance at the school ent is incorrect. My signature DOES to the school of any specion the school of any specion.	the above information monally, the student whose in site if the statement is in ature below indicates that NOT indicate consent to p	ay be grounds for name is listed above ncorrect or evidence at I have read this participate in a rding my student's
Signature of Parent / Guardian		 Date	

<sup>\*</sup>If you qualify for McKenny-Vento, you may:

<sup>(1)</sup> Participate fully in all school activities/programs for which you are eligible.

<sup>(2)</sup> Continue to attend the school in which you were last enrolled, even if you have moved from that school's attendance zone or district.

<sup>(3)</sup> Receive transportation from your current residence back to your school of origin.

<sup>(4)</sup> Qualify automatically for free lunch.

<sup>(5)</sup> Contact the District Liaison to resolve any disputes that arise during the enrollment process.

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School Year: 2019-2020

Dear Parents:

School districts that provide school-based health service have an opportunity to bill private and government insurance companies. Medi-Cal reimburses school districts through a special program called the Local Educational Agency Direct Billing Option. To receive these important funds, the federal government requires that private health insurances be billed for services provided to students covered by those companies. **Sign and return this completed form to the attendance office only if you wish the district to bill your health insurance.** The school district will continue to provide health services with **NO COST to the families.** 

Student Name:			
Birth date:	*		
Does this student have health insura	ance coverage? Please	check applicable boxes.	
☐ Medi-Cal ☐ Healthy Families	□Other Insuran	ice	□No Coverage
If your child has medi-	cal insurance, please fill	out the following insurance	ce information.
Member Name:	Birthdate:	Member ID#:_	
Member's Relationship to student:		Subscriber gender: M	F
Full name of Insurance Company:		Phone#:	
Insurance Address:		City, State, and Zi	ip:
Group#:	Policy#:		
Name of Employer:		Work Phone#:	
Work Address:	City	, State, Zip Code	
I authorize release of information by claims.	the school district to my	health insurance carrier	to process any health related
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Print Name of	Parent/Guardian	Date

If you are interested on how your child might be eligible for low or no-cost health insurance through California Healthy Families and Medi-Cal, please contact the district office at (559) 688-2021.

# Notification of Rights under FERPA for Elementary and Secondary Schools

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

(1) The right to inspect and review the student's education records within five (5) days of the day the School receives a request for access.

Parents or eligible students should submit to the School principal [or appropriate school official] a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The School official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

(2) The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate.

Parents or eligible students may ask the School to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate. They should write the School principal clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate. If the School decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the School will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

(3) The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

The following programs are used by the District to improve student learning. Data such as demographics, classes, test results, attendance, discipline, and grade information may be shared with these programs for District use. These companies protect any data stored on their systems and limit access to district staff or their support staff working with district staff.

- Feeder Schools Information on student progress.
- eTrition Cafeteria System
- Aeries Student Information System
- Google User Accounts, E-mail, and Office Suite.
- IO Education.
- Renaissance Learning Reading assessment system.
- SICCA Student monitoring for extracurricular activities.
- Forecast 5 Suite Budget and enrollment forecasting.
- SI&A Attendance monitoring.
- PLATO, Edgenuity Online curriculum.
- Naviance Counseling, college and career monitoring.
- Key Data Sys Assessment monitoring.
- Edmodo Learning Management Systems.
- Scholastic
- Blackboard

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests.

A school official is a person employed by the School as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the School has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Upon request, the School discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

(4) The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the **Tulare Joint Union High School District** to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202-4605

[NOTE: In addition, a school may want to include its directory information public notice, as required by § 99.37 of the regulations, with its annual notification of rights under FERPA.]

## **Release of Directory Information**

#### **Definition**

*Directory information* means information contained in a student record that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Such student information includes: (34 CFR 99.3; Education Code 49061; 20 USC 1232 g)

- 1. Name
- 2. Address
- 3. Telephone number
- 4. Email address
- 5. Date of birth
- 6. Major field of study
- 7. Participation record in officially recognized activities and sports
- 8. Weight and height of athletic team members
- 9. Dates of attendance
- 10. Degrees and awards received
- 11. Most recent previous school attended

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(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
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**Directory information** does not include a student's social security number or student identification number. However, for purposes of accessing or communicating in electronic systems, directory information may include a student identification number, user identification, or other personal identifier used by the student provided that the identifier cannot be used to gain access to education records except when used in conjunction with a personal identification number, password, or other factor known or possessed only by the authorized user. (34 CFR 99.3)

*Directory information* also does not include a student's citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin.

#### **Notification to Parents/Guardians**

At the beginning of each school year, all parents/guardians shall be notified as to the categories of directory information the school or district plans to release and the recipients of the information. The notification shall also inform parents/guardians of their right to refuse to let the district designate any or all types of information as directory information, how to refuse release, and the period of time within which a parent/guardian must notify the district in writing that he/she does not want a certain category of information designated as directory information. (Education Code 49063, 49073; 20 USC 1232g; 34 CFR 99.37)

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(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
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In addition, the annual parental notification shall include a statement that directory information does not include citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin and that the district will not release such information without parental consent or a court order.

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(cf. 5145.13 – Response to Immigration Enforcement)
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The Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians that they may request that the district not release the name, address, and telephone number of their child to military recruiters, employers, or institutions of higher education without prior written consent. (20 USC 7908)

#### Parent/Guardian Consent

No directory information of a student identified as a homeless child or youth as defined in 42 USC 11434a shall be released, unless the parent/guardian, or the student if he/she is 18 years or older, has provided written consent that directory information may be released. For any other student, directory information shall not be released if his/her parent/guardian notifies the district in writing that such information not be disclosed without the parent/guardian's prior consent. (Education Code 49073; 20 USC 1232g, 7908)

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(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information) (cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)
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For a former student, the district shall continue to honor any valid request to opt out of the disclosure of directory information made while the student was in attendance at the district, unless the opt-out request has been rescinded. (34 CFR 99.37)

# **Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)**

PPRA affords parents and students who are 18 or emancipated minors ("eligible students") certain rights regarding our conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These include the right to:

- *Consent* before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas ("protected information survey") if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education (ED)-
  - 1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
  - 2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
  - 3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
  - 4. Illegal, and anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
  - 5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
  - 6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
  - 7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
  - 8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

## • Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of -

- 1. Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
- 2. Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under State law; and
- 3. Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others.
- *Inspect*, upon request and before administration or use
  - 1. Protected information surveys of students;
  - 2. Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and
  - 3. Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

Tulare Joint Union High School District has developed policies, in consultation with parents, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. Tulare Joint Union High School District will directly notify parents and eligible students of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and after any substantive changes. Tulare Joint Union High School District will also directly notify parents and eligible students, such as through U.S. Mail or email, at least annually at the start of each school year of the specific or approximate dates of the following activities and provide an opportunity to opt a student out of participating in:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales or other distribution.
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above.

Parents/eligible students who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20202-4605

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### Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Healthy Schools Act of 2000 (as amended by Assembly Bill 2865, Chapter 865, Statutes of 2006) requires all California school districts and child day care centers to notify parents and guardians of pesticides that they expect will be applied during the upcoming year. We want to notify you that the following pesticides may be used at your school site during the 2019-2020 school year.

Pesticide Product	Active Ingrediant
Demon Max	Cypermethrin
Demand CS	Lambda-Cyhalothrin
Termidor	Fipronil
Cykick	Cyfluthrin
P.T. 565	Pyrethrins
D-Force H.P.X.>	Deltamethrin
Maxforce ant killer bait gel	Fipronil
Suspend Polyzone	Deltamethrin
Maxforce magnum roach bait gel	Fipronil
Suspend CS	Deltamethrin
Gentrol Aerosol	Hydroprene
Gentrol	Hydroprene
Arilon	Indoxacarb
Wisdom TC	Bifenthrin
Maxforce Impact roach gel bait	Clothianidin
Niban granular bait	Orthoboric Acid
Nyguard plus	Pyriproxyfen
Cynoff EC	Cypermethrin
Wasp-Freeze-d-trans allethrin	Phenothrin
Maxforce Complete granular insect bait	Hydramethylnon
Phantom	Chlorfenapyr

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You can find more information regarding these pesticides and pesticide use reduction at the Department of Pesticide Regulation's School IPM Web site at <a href="http://www.schoolipm.info">http://www.schoolipm.info</a>. If you have any questions, please contact the Tulare Joint Union High School District at (559) 688-2021.

Sincerely,

Chris Stevens Director of Facilities

#### RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS

The **Tulare Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees** seeks to provide as much opportunity as is economically feasible for students who reside a long distance from campus to attend school and participate in school activities. Consequently, the district operates an extensive transportation system to transport students to and from school and to many activities away from our campuses.

Some of the school bus routes for this school year have been revised and are subject to change. We will once again enforce the two mile walk radius. For more information on our bus stops, times and maps please visit our website at www.tulare.k12.ca.us or give us a call at 559-688-2021 ext. 2023. Students will not be allowed to ride a different bus route or get off at an unauthorized stop without a prior parental/guardian permission slip approved by the school attendance office.

#### Who can ride the bus?

The Tulare Joint Union High School District provides bus service for:

- Students who live more than two miles walking distance from school.
- Students in certain special education programs.

#### What about students who go to schools outside their attendance area?

Transportation is provided only if they are enrolled in a special education program not offered at their local school. Other students who receive permission to attend a school outside their attendance area must provide their own transportation to and from school.

#### What are some of the rules of conduct on buses?

- Students must scan their identification cards to and from school in order to ride the bus.
- Students must be at the bus stop at the time designated and be ready to board with the least possible delay.
- Students should look for traffic in both directions before crossing the street and should cross at crosswalk areas where possible.
- Students must not stand or play in the roadway while waiting for the bus.
- Students should <u>remain in line</u> at least five feet from the bus when it stops to pick up passengers and should not
  move toward the bus until the door is open.
- No animals, alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, firearms, drugs or explosives are allowed on the bus.
- School dress code will be strictly enforced.
- Students must conduct themselves in an acceptable manner at all times. Vulgarity or other inappropriate behavior will not be permitted.
- Students shall not block the aisle or emergency exits with musical instruments, books, or other possessions.
- Students shall not extend arms or heads out of the bus windows at any time
- Students shall not spit, throw, or drop anything out of the bus at any time.
- Seat belt use is mandatory when buses are equipped.

#### What can I do when the bus does not show up on time?

If you are reasonably sure that the delay is not due to weather conditions, please allow at least 15 minutes before calling the District Transportation Department Office. A bus may be delayed due to traffic conditions or mechanical problems. If, at the end of 15 minutes, your bus still has not arrived, you may wish to call the transportation office at 559-688-2021 extension 2023 or 2009. Please do not call this number for foggy day information. Transportation office reserves the right to change bus stop times or routes without notice when necessary to ensure student safety.

#### Who can ride a late bus?

Buses will depart from Tulare Western at approximately 5:50 pm, Mission Oak at approximately 5:55 pm, and Tulare Union at approximately 6:05 pm. These buses are for athletes who remain after school to practice. Anyone else desiring to ride a late bus must have written permission from a counselor or assistant principal. Identification is required to board the late bus.

Any other questions about buses? Call the <u>Transportation Department</u> at <u>559-688-2021 extension 2023 or 2009.</u>

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**School Year: 2019-2020** 

Dear Parents:

The **Tulare Joint Union High School District** is prepared and has plans in place for major emergency situations. We believe that the reaction of people in emergencies depends largely upon their training. Our school staff has been trained for a variety of emergencies, and we hold drills regularly to make certain that the students understand emergency procedures.

Please convince your students that they are as safe at school as they are at home in a serious emergency. School buildings have been designed with safety in mind, and inspections are made regularly to remove possible hazards. We also have personnel who are trained in first aid. Our primary concern in the event of an emergency is the safety and welfare of the students.

Your students should be instructed to obey the directions of their teachers and of the bus driver on the way to and from school, if they ride the bus. If walking, riding a bicycle, or driving an automobile to and from school, they should be told to continue toward their destination (either to or from school) when an emergency arises.

We ask for your cooperation by doing the following in an emergency:

- ➤ Please <u>do not</u> telephone the school. Telephone lines will be needed for emergency communications.
- > Please <u>do not</u> drive to school. Streets should be clear and open for emergency vehicles.
- ➤ Please <u>do</u> turn your radio on to a local station (KMJ AM 580 or KJUG FM 106.7). Information and instructions for getting together with your children or picking them up will be broadcast on the radio during or after an emergency.

In conjunction with the Office of Emergency Services, we urge every family to make home emergency plans and preparations. If you have any questions about our emergency preparedness program, please contact the principal of the appropriate school.

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Note: Pacific Educators brochure is available on line at: https://www.peinsurance.com/products/student-insurance/student-accident-insurance/

RE: Student Injuries and Insurance

2019-2020 School Year

Dear Parent:

Your student's school **does not** provide medical insurance coverage for school accidents. This means that <u>you</u> <u>are responsible</u> for the medical bills if your student gets hurt during school activities. Student accident/health insurance plans are offered to help you pay those bills. Application forms are available at the school.

Many coverage options are available. The Student Health Care and High Option 24-Hour Accident plans are especially recommended for those students with no other insurance because they provide the most help when injuries occur. Student Health Care covers illness as well as injury, 24 hours a day.

If your student does have other health coverage, student insurance may also be used to help pay those charges not covered by other insurance. If your student qualifies for Medicare, you must obtain from your school nurse's office a copy of the "Important Notice to Persons on Medicare" prior to applying for student insurance.

Please read your brochure carefully. If you have any questions, please call the plan administrator, Pacific Educators Insurance Services, at (800) 722-3365. Bilingual representatives are available for parents who need assistance in Spanish.

In order to document your having been notified of this matter, please sign and complete the bottom of this form and send it back to the school nurse with your student immediately.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Antonio Rodriguez

Superintendent

provide medical insurance for student injuries b informed of this program.	out does make voluntary student i	nsurance avanable. Thave been
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	Grade:

# **Tulare Joint Union High School District Rules to Ride the School Bus**

The district is anxious to provide as much opportunity as is economically feasible for students who reside a long distance from campus to attend school and participate in school activities. The district operates an extensive transportation system to transport students to and from school and many activities away from campus. PLEASE NOTE THAT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE BUS SCHEDULES FOR THE FALL SEMESTER THAT MAY AFFECT YOUR STUDENT.

Bus service is provided to:

- Students who live more than two miles walking distance from school
- Students who face hazardous walking conditions
- Students in certain special education programs
- Students enrolled in a special education program not offered at the local school campus

All bus riders are required to have their ID and a "pass" to ride the school bus. This pass is in the form of a sticker which is placed on their student body ID card. The sticker will be provided by the bus driver. The student will need to scan their ID cards to and from school to ride the bus. It is very important to note that no student will be permitted to ride any bus but their own, without a note signed by the principal or assistant principal. Please note that students—who receive permission to attend a school outside their attendance area must provide their own transportation to and from school. NO STUDENT WILL RIDE A BUS WITHOUT THEIR ID AND A PASS. SEAT BELT USE IS MANDATORY WHEN BUSES ARE EQUIPPED. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED.

# Transportation Schedules Please review the schedules: our changes may affect your student!!

These are the daily morning bus schedules for Tulare, Pixley, Tipton and cross-town school buses between the high schools. It is important to note that times and stops are subject to change. If you have any questions about the bus stops, please contact the transportation department at 688-2021 ext. 2023 or 2009. Students are REQUIRED to be at their bus stop at least TEN (10) minutes prior to bus arrival.

#### ALL CAMPUSES (stops in Tipton)

7:20 Klindera Ave & Lafond Rd 7:20 N. Newman Road & Lipscomb Avenue 7:20 S Adams Rd & Spencer Rd 7:05 E Woods Avenue & S Thompson Road

#### ALL CAMPUSES (stops in Pixley)

7:10 Elm Street & Ellsworth Avenue 7:05 Sheriff Substation 7:00 Terra Bella Apartments

#### ALL CAMPUSES (stops in Pixley)

7:15 Bradbury Avenue & Ash Street 7:15 Bradbury Avenue & Cedar Street 7:15 Bradbury Avenue & Airport Street 7:05 Davis Avenue & Ash Street

7:45 Sunrise Street by Park

NOTICE: At all stops students may ride a cross-town bus to another school site.

#### IN TOWN BUSES (route numbers noted)

TULARE UNION		TULARE WESTERN		MISSION OAK	
7:50 Live Oak	TU2	7:45 Tech Prep (Pratt & Bardsley)	TU1	7:55 Sunrise Street by Park	MO7
7:52 Finch Avenue & Lynora St.	TU2	7:50 Oakwood Dr. (Vetter & E)	TU1	7:55 Just South of Cypress School	MO1
7:50 Tech Prep (Pratt & Bardsley)	TU1	7:50 Delwood St.& Pleasant Ave.	TW3		
7:55 Kohn Elementary School	MO9	7:50 Merritt Ave. & Gem St.	TW3	ACHS	
7:45 Colony Ave. & Road 126	MO9	7:50 Mercedes Ave. & M St.	TW3	8:15 Tulare Union	MO9
7:45 Hazeltine St. & Tulare Ave.	MO9	7:50 Kennedy Ave. & M St	TW3	8:15 Tulare Western	TW2
7:45 De La Vina St. & Bella Oaks Dr.	TU2	7:50 Kennedy Ave. & Oaks St.	TW3	8:15 Mission Oak	MO6
7:45 Bonarda & Paseo Del Lago	TU2	7:50 Lois Ave & Oaks St	TW3		
7:50 Cypress School	TU3	7:45 De La Vina St. & Bella Oaks Dr.	Mo4		

MO4

#### CROSS-TOWN BUSES BETWEEN THE HIGH SCHOOLS (route numbers noted):

TU3 7:45 Bonarda & Paseo Del Lago

All students who ride a bus to another school site during the school day for an off-site class MUST get a sticker allowing them to do so, affixed to their ID Card. Stickers are available from the Assistant Principal's office at each respective high school.

8:05 Depart Tulare Western and drop off at Tulare Union	TW3
8:00 Depart Tulare Western and drop off at Mission Oak	TW1 8:00
Depart Mission Oak and drop off at Tech Prep and Tulare Western	MO2 8:00
Depart Mission Oak and drop off at Tulare Union	MO8 8:05
Depart Tulare Union and drop off at Tulare Western and Tech Prep	MO5
8:05 Depart Tulare Union and drop off at Mission Oak	MO3

Revised 6/5/19

## A message from the California Highway Patrol:

The purpose of this notice is to ensure that parents are aware of a statutory exception to the definition of school bus in the California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 545 (K). This exception was added to authorize limousine-type vehicles to transport school pupils to and from school related activities, without the requirements to enter into contractual agreement with schools or school districts.

A pupil activity bus (PAB) is a motor vehicle that is designed, used or maintained to transport more than ten passengers, including the driver, but not more than 25 persons including the driver, while being used for the transportation of pupils to or from school-related activities.

It has come to our attention that unknown carriers are operating limousine type vehicles and party busses that are not registered with the PUC (Public Utilities Commission) and therefore would not be authorized to operate as PAB's. By operating illegally they are able to offer potential customers much lower rates than the legitimate carriers.

If you have any questions or need further information please contact a CHP Motor Carrier Specialist at one of the following offices: Fresno (559) 445-6992, Modesto (209) 545-7440, or Bakersfield (661) 395-2921.

# Tulare Joint Union High School District FOGGY DAY BUS SCHEDULES

Information regarding foggy day bus schedules can be obtained by:

- Visiting the TJUHSD website. The bus schedule information is in the upper right hand corner of the district homepage located on the internet at http://www.tulare.k12.ca.us/
- Watching TV channel 18, 24, 30 or 47. For fog information call (559) 656-5990
- The Foggy Day Schedule implementation will also be communicated via the **Parent Link App**.

When buses are running on regular schedule, there will be NO ANNOUNCEMENT. If you do not see or hear information indicating there is a foggy day schedule you should assume buses are running on regular schedule. The only exception is when fog drops after the buses have already begun their normal routes. In this case, if your bus is more than 20 minutes late, you can assume it is not coming. Check for foggy day schedules. \*Afternoon bus routes never change, even if there is a foggy day schedule in the morning.\*

#### PLAN A

- If you live inside the main populated area of the City of Tulare, special foggy day shuttles will run at approximately the same time as the regular morning route. Students will be picked up at or near their regular bus stop just like any other day. See foggy day shuttle schedule below for a list of stops and times.
- All buses outside the main populated area of the City of Tulare are delayed 2 hours. No matter where you are on a country route, just add two hours to your normal pick up time.

#### PLAN F

- All buses outside the main populated area of the City of Tulare are cancelled, with the exception of four buses. Three buses will depart from the Pixley Sheriff Substation at 9:00am. and two other buses will depart from the Tipton Library at 9:15am.
- If you live inside the main populated area of the City of Tulare, special foggy day shuttles will run at approximately the same time as the regular morning route. See foggy day shuttle schedule below for a list of stops and times.

#### PLAN C

- All buses outside the main populated area of the City of Tulare are cancelled.
- If you live inside the main populated area of the City of Tulare, special foggy day shuttles will run at approximately the same time as the regular morning route. See foggy day shuttle schedule below for a list of stops and times.

#### PLAN D

• Complete shut down. All buses and routes are cancelled! Farm shuttles will only be allowed to run after Plan D restrictions are lifted.

#### FOGGY DAY SHUTTLES

All times listed below are for intown Tulare stops.

	Shuttle # 1 (TW/TU)		Shuttle # 4 (TW, TU)		Shuttle # 9 ( MO & TU )
7:45 AM	Pleasant & Delwood	7:55 AM	Inyo & Maricopa	7:48 AM	Munson & Bardsley
7:48 AM	Gem & Merritt			7:52 AM	Allen & Ave 228
7:50 AM	M St. & Mercedes			8:00 AM	Cypress & Sundance
7:53 AM	M St. & Kennedy		Shuttle # 5 (TW)		
7:55 AM	Kennedy & Oaks	7:45 AM	De La Vina & Bella Oaks		Shuttle # 10 (MO)
7:57 AM	Oaks & Lois	7:45 AM	Paseo Del Lago & Bonarda	8:00 AM	Cypress & Sundance
				8:03 AM	Off Sunrise by Park
				8:04AM	Tahoe & Placier
	Shuttle # 2 (TU & TW)		Shuttle # 6 (TU, TW & MO)		
7:45 AM	De La Vina & Bella Oaks	7:53 AM	Oakwood & E St.		
7:47 AM	Paseo del Lago & Bonarda	7:55 AM	Vetter & Bardsley		Shuttle # 11 (TU)
7:59AM	Live Oak School			7:45 AM	Off Sunrise by Park
8:00 AM	Hillcrest/Blue Oak/Lynora		Shuttle # 7 (TUTW)	7:54 AM	Cypress & Sundance
		7:50 AM	Pratt & Bardsley		
	Shuttle # 3 (Tu,Tw,Mo)				
7:40 AM	Prosperity & Williams				
7:43 AM	M St. & Gail		Shuttle # 8 (MO/TW/TU)		
		7:45 AM	Seminole & Spyglass		
		7:47 AM	Sand Hills & Tulare Ave		
		7:58 AM	Kohn Elementary School		
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July 2019



#### **Dear Community Partner:**

Please save the date for the **Seventh Annual Rivalry Run** scheduled for **September 28, 2019**. The Committee has been working diligently with the Foundation Board, Foundation Officers, and community volunteers to provide opportunities and support for the 4 A's at all of the Tulare Joint Union High School District sites. Since reestablishment in 2012, more than \$270,000 in donations, fundraiser proceeds, employee contributions, and corporate sponsorships, have been managed by the Foundation.

- ✓ \$107,600 has been earmarked to the four A's, including mini-grants awarded for the Tulare Community Auditorium, Tulare Western Drama, Mission Oak Drama, District Choir, AVID, Mission Oak Football, Tulare Western Football, Tulare Western Boys Soccer, Mission Oak Boys Soccer, Mission Oak Associated Student Body, Tulare Western Athletics, Tulare Western Tip Off Club, Tulare Western Girls Basketball, Tulare Western Music Boosters, Tulare Union Band Boosters, Mission Oak Band Boosters, Tulare Union Library, Tulare Western Library, Mission Oak Library, Tulare Union Red & Gold Boosters, Mission Oak Boys Wrestling, and Mission Oak Girls Wrestling.
- ✓ \$119,900 has been received through the Foundation's two annual fundraisers. The Foundation Showcase (Spring) and Rivalry Run (Fall) provide the majority of the revenue to support the four A's.
- ✓ \$40,000 has been received through corporate sponsorships, including a major contribution from Land O Lakes, Inc., and from TJUHSD District employees through payroll deductions.

As in previous years, the Rivalry Run will begin and end at the Tulare Adult School location on K Street near the Tulare Transit Center. There will be t-shirts for the participants, as well as medals for the top three winners in each age group. In addition, we continue to encourage students at the different school sites to have friends and family participate by offering a perpetual trophy to the school with the most team members as a percentage of site enrollment with a \$500 donation to the winning site. The registration forms will have a section for each participant to indicate their team of choice.

Please register at www.runsignup.com/rivalry. If you would like to be an event sponsor, the Sponsorship Form is included with this letter. In order to ensure that your logo appears on all of our marketing materials, please return your sponsorship form right away. All donations are tax-deductible through the Foundation's 501(c)(3) status.

Please contact Vivian Hamilton or Janis Evangelho at 688-2021 with any questions or visit our website at http://www.tjuhsd.org/Our Foundation. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

# Tony Taylor

Tony Taylor President

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# **Bus Seat Belt Progressive Disciplinary Steps**

The following disciplinary guidelines will be enforced for students not wearing their seat belts and parent/guardian will be notified of each offense.

**First Offense:** 

A verbal warning from the bus driver. Dispatch will maintain a record.

**Second Offense:** 

A verbal and written bus conduct report to be issued and provided to the site.

**Third Offense:** 

Student will be placed in front seat for five (5) days.

**Fourth Offense:** 

Student will have riding privileges revoked for five (5) days.

Fifth Offense:

Student will have riding privileges revoked for twenty (20) days.

Sixth Offense:

Student will have riding privileges revoked for the remainder of the school year.







# Tulare Joint Union High School District REFERRAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Migrant Education is a national program that provides services to migratory families with children and youth, under the age of 22, to ensure that migratory students reach challenging academic standards and graduate with a high school diploma.

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1. In the last 3 year fishing work?	s, have you or a r	nember of your family mov	ved (or made a trip) <b>and</b> engaged in agricultural or
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Parent/Guardian:			Date:
			City:
			ternate Phone #:
Best time to call:			
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2.		5.	
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A school repres			y contact you to follow up with this questionnaire.

# MANDATORY PARENT OR GUARDIAN RESPONSE FORM

Name of Student	Grade
The enclosed information prescribed by State and F or guardians of all students enrolled in the Tulare Jo	
Parents or Guardians ARE REQUIRED to acknowled signing and returning this form to their student's I start of school.	
I have read the attached information and understand can contact the School Principal.	d that if I have any questions or concerns I
Parent/Guardian Signature	 Date
PHOTO / NAME RELEASE	AGREEMENT
The Tulare Joint Union High School District is prou The campus web sites at times include student pho activities district-wide.	
We would like your permission to use your students assignments to post on our district or school web swide, your written consent for this is need photographs/assignments identifying your student by your school site.	ites. Since the Internet is accessible world- essary. If you would not object to
This permission is revocable at any time with written	notice.
I hereby consent to allow the Tulare Joint Union Hi taken of me or my class projects or assignments activities. I understand that I may be identified assignment, and that it will be available for viewing of	to promote, illustrate or publicize school by name along with this photograph or
Student's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	<u> </u>

Please return this signed form to your English teacher.