

NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS 2023-2024

As required by law (Education Code Sections [EC] 48980 - 48985), you are hereby notified of the following:

1. Absence for Religious Exercise:

With the written consent of their parents or guardians, pupils may be excused from school for religious purposes at a place away from school property and after the pupil has attended school for a minimum day. [EC 46014].

2. Excuse From Instruction:

High schools may grant permission to students to leave school grounds during lunch periods after notice is sent to parents [If applicable, specific notice requirements are described in EC 44808.5].

A pupil may refuse to participate in animal dissection and experimentation with parent written substantiation. [EC 32255.1 and 32255 - 32255.6].

3. Grade Reduction:

No pupil may have his/her grade reduced or lose academic credit for any absence or absences excused pursuant to EC 48205 when missed assignments and tests, that can reasonably be provided, are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time [EC 48980(i)]. (Full text of EC 48205 [Attachment -1](#))

4. Individualized Instruction Due to Temporary Disability:

A pupil with a temporary disability shall be cause for a pupil to receive individual instruction. [EC 48206.3 et seq.].

5. Notification of Minimum and Pupil Free Staff Development School Days:

The schedule of minimum days and pupil free staff development days for schools within the District/County Office of Education (COE) is attached ([Attachment – 2](#)). Parents/guardians will be notified of minimum days and pupil-free staff development days not yet scheduled at least one month before the scheduled minimum or pupil-free day. [EC 48980(c)].

6. Residence When Hospitalized:

Notwithstanding compulsory education requirements, a pupil with a temporary disability who is in a hospital or other residential health facility, except for a state hospital, which is located outside of the school district in which the pupil's parent/guardian resides, shall be deemed to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance in the school district in which the hospital is located. It shall be the primary responsibility of the parent/guardian of a pupil with temporary disability to notify the school district in which the pupil is deemed to reside of the pupil's presence in a qualifying hospital. [EC 48207; 48208].

7. Required Pupil Immunization:

School districts shall not unconditionally admit any student to a district elementary or secondary school, preschool, or childcare and development program for the first time nor, after July 1, 2016, admit or advance any student to the 7th grade level unless the student has been fully immunized. The student shall present documentation of full immunization, in accordance with the age/grade and dose required by the California Dept. of Public Health and Health and Safety Code Section 120335.

8. Immunization for Communicable Disease:

The school district, while cooperating with the local health officer, may permit a licensed physician and surgeon or other statutorily authorized health care practitioner to immunize pupils for a communicable disease with the written consent of a parent for a licensed physician and surgeon or health care practitioner. [EC 49403].

9. Administration of Medication:

Medication prescribed for a child to be administered during the regular school day may be assisted by a school nurse or other designated school personnel if the school district receives a written detailed statement from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant and a written parental request. Pupils may carry and self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine or inhaled asthma medication provided that written orders from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant (including a statement that the pupil is able to self-administer such medication), and written parental consent to the self-administration (including a release allowing a school nurse or other designated school personnel to consult with pupil's health care provider about the medication, and releasing the school district and school personnel from potential civil liability). The District/COE may designate and train one or more volunteers to provide anti-seizure medication to a pupil diagnosed with seizures, a seizure disorder, or epilepsy, upon request. [EC 49423; 49423.1; 49468.2].

10. Continuing Medication:

A pupil is required to inform the District/COE of any medication being taken, the current dosage, and the name of the supervising physician, if the pupil is on a continuing medication regimen for a non-episodic condition. The school nurse may communicate with the physician and may counsel with school personnel regarding the possible effects of the drug on the child's physical, intellectual, and social behavior, as well as possible behavioral signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omission, or overdose if provided consent by the

pupil's parent or legal guardian. [EC 49480].

11. Physical Examinations:

Every child shall, within 90 days after entrance into the first grade, provide a certificate signed by a physician documenting that within the prior 18 months the child has received the appropriate health screening and evaluation services, unless the parent/guardian has filed a written waiver with the District/COE. However, a child may be excluded from attendance if, for good reason, the child is believed to be suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious disease and shall not be permitted to return until the school authorities are satisfied that any contagious or infectious disease does not exist. Free health screening is available for low income children for up to 18 months prior to entry into first grade. Parents are encouraged to obtain required health screenings simultaneously with required immunizations. [H.&S.C. 124085; 124105; EC 49451]. Specific information on type 2 diabetes is available at www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/type2diabetes.asp. It is recommended that students possibly suffering from type 2 diabetes or having warning signs should be screened. [EC 49452.7].

12. Health Assessments and Evaluations:

Vision and hearing screening for a pupil by the school nurse or other qualified individual is provided during selected grade levels. A pupil whose first enrollment or entry occurs in grade 4 or 7 shall not be required to be appraised in the year immediately following the pupil's first enrollment or entry. Scoliosis screening may be provided to girls in grade 7 and boys in grade 8. By May 31 of the school year, pupils when first enrolled in public schools are required to provide proof of an oral health assessment (within 12 months prior to enrollment) by a licensed dentist or other licensed or registered dental health professional. [EC 49452; 49452.5; 49454; 49455].

Any pupil, while enrolled in kindergarten, or while enrolled in first grade if the pupil was not previously enrolled in kindergarten, unless excused, must present proof no later than May 31 of the school year of having received an oral assessment by a licensed dentist or other licensed or registered dental health professional. The assessment must be performed no earlier than 12 months prior to initial enrollment of the pupil. Parents/guardians of such pupils will be notified of this assessment requirement [EC 49452.8].

13. Medical and Hospital Services:

The District/COE may provide, or make available, medical and/or hospital services for pupils injured at school or school-sponsored events or while being transported to the same. [EC 49472]. Schools may release pupils, in grades 7 through 12 only, for the purpose of obtaining confidential medical services without the consent of the pupil's parent or guardian. [EC 46010.1].

14. Student Nutrition Program:

Free or reduced-price meals may be available upon application to students receiving public assistance. [EC 49500 et seq.; 49510 et seq.].

15. Fingerprinting:

The District/COE may provide a fingerprinting program for kindergarten or newly enrolled pupils. [EC 32390; 48980(e)].

16. Pupil Records:

Parents have a right to access all records relating to their children. The procedure used by the District/COE regarding the establishment and maintenance, transfer, access, challenge, and modification of pupil records is available to parents upon request. [EC 49063; 49069.7; 49070]. Certain directory information concerning pupils is also available to individuals other than parents. [EC 49073]. (Attachment – 3) Upon written request from the parent, the District/COE will withhold directory information about the student.

17. District/COE Pupil Discipline Rules:

The rules used by the District/COE pertaining to student discipline are available to all parents upon request. [EC 35291]. The rules may require that the parent of a suspended pupil may be required to attend a portion of a school day in the child's classroom. [EC 48900.1].

18. Nondiscrimination:

The District/COE does not discriminate on the basis of disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, age, immigration status, actual or potential parental, family, or marital status, pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery therefrom, or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any of its policies, practices, or procedures, programs, or activities, in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and related laws and regulations. [EC 200; 221.51]. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission and access to, and treatment and employment in, District/COE programs and activities, including vocational education. Inquiries regarding the equal opportunity policies, the filing of grievances or complaints, or to request a copy, free of charge, of the procedures covering discrimination complaints may be directed to the District/County Superintendent of Schools, the District Title IX Coordinator, or the Office of Civil Rights, as appropriate. The lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to the admission and participation in District/COE programs. The District's Title IX Coordinator may be contacted at Elizabeth Shepherd, Director Special Services, LTUSD Annex, 1735 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150. Phone (530) 543-2267. Email eshepherd@ltusd.org.

19. Services to Students Who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind, Visually Impaired, or Deaf-Blind:

Services are provided by the State Special Schools. Assessment services and technical assistance are also offered. For more information about the State Special Schools, please visit the California Department of Education Web site at www.cde.ca.gov/sp/ss/ or ask for more information from members of your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team.

20. Compulsory Education:

Each person between the ages of 6 and 18 years, not exempted under the provisions of Education Code, is subject to compulsory full-time education.

21. Residency Requirements-School Attendance Options:

A pupil complies with the residency requirements for school attendance in a school district, if the pupil is any of the following:

A pupil who is a child of a military family pursuant to EC 48204.6;

A pupil placed within the boundaries of that school district in a regularly established licensed children's institution or a licensed foster home as defined in EC 56155.5 or a family home pursuant to a commitment or placement under Chapter 2 (Section 200) of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code;

A pupil who is a foster child who remains in their school of origin pursuant to EC 48853.5(f) and (g);

A pupil for whom interdistrict attendance has been approved pursuant to Chapter 5 (Section 46600) of Part 26;

A pupil whose residence is located within the boundaries of that school district and whose parent or legal guardian is relieved of responsibility, control, and authority through emancipation;

A pupil who lives in the home of a caregiving adult that is located within the boundaries of that school district. Execution of an affidavit under penalty of perjury pursuant to Part 1.5 (Section 6550) of Division 11 of the Family Code by the caregiving adult is a sufficient basis for a determination that the pupil lives in the caregiver's home, unless the school district determines from actual facts that the pupil is not living in the caregiver's home;

A pupil residing in a state hospital located within the boundaries of that school district;

A pupil whose parent or legal guardian resides outside of the boundaries of that school district but is employed and lives with the pupil at the place of their employment within the boundaries of the school district for a minimum of three days during the school week;

Once a pupil is deemed to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance pursuant to this subdivision and is enrolled in a school in a school district, the boundaries of which include the location where at least one parent or the legal guardian of a pupil is physically employed, the pupil does not have to reapply in the next school year to attend a school within that school district and the governing board of the school district shall allow the pupil to attend school through grade 12 in that school district if the parent or legal guardian so chooses and if at least one parent or the legal guardian of the pupil continues to be physically employed by an employer situated within the attendance boundaries of the school district, subject to EC 48204 (b)(2) to (7), inclusive.

A school district may deem a pupil to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance in the school district if at least one parent or the legal guardian of the pupil is physically employed within the boundaries of that school district for a minimum of 10 hours during the school week. [EC 48204].

22. Notice of Alternative Schools:

California law authorizes all school districts to provide for alternative schools. [EC 58501]. (Attachment - 4).

23. Excuse from Sexual Health Education, HIV Education, and Related Assessments:

Parents or guardians of a pupil have the right to excuse their child from all or part of comprehensive sexual health education, HIV prevention education, and assessments related to that education through a passive consent ("opt out") process. A request to excuse your child must be made in writing to the school district. [EC 51938]. You are hereby notified that:

Educational materials used in comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education are available for inspection.

Comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education will be taught by school district personnel and/or by outside consultants.

You have a right to request a copy of EC Part 28, Chapter 5.6 – California Healthy Youth Act.

If the District/COE elects to provide comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education by outside consultants, and/or by holding an assembly to deliver comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education by guest speakers, the notice shall include the date of the instruction, the name of the organization or affiliation of each guest speaker, and information stating the right of the parent or guardian to request a copy of EC 51938, 51933, and 51934.

24. Pregnant and Parenting Students:

The District/COE will not exclude nor deny any pupil from any educational program or activity, including class or extracurricular activity, solely on the basis of the pupil's pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery therefrom [EC 221.51; 222.5; 46015]. Pregnant and parenting pupils are entitled to the following:

Have their pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, and recovery therefrom treated in the same manner and under the same policies as any other temporary disabling condition;

Provided with eight weeks of parental leave, (or more if medically necessary) which the pupil may take before the birth of the pupil'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 pupil who gives or expects to give birth and the infant, and to allow the pregnant or parenting pupil to care for and bond with the infant;

Return to the school and the course of study in which the student was enrolled before taking parental leave and opportunities to make up work missed during the student's leave, including, but not limited to, makeup work plans and reenrollment in courses;

Remain enrolled for a fifth year of instruction in the school in which the pupil was previously enrolled when it is necessary in order for the pupil to be able to complete state and any local graduation requirements, unless the District/COE makes a finding that the pupil is reasonably able to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements in time to graduate from high school by the end of the pupil's fourth year of high school;

Provided with alternative education options should the pupil decide not to return from leave; and

Not incur an academic penalty as a result of the pupil's use of the accommodations.

A complaint for noncompliance may be filed under the District/COE's Uniform Complain Procedures. [See Paragraph 25].

25. Uniform Complaint Procedures "UCP":

The District/COE maintains a uniform complaint procedure for investigating complaints of: (1) discrimination on the basis of, but not limited to, age, sex, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, pupil parenting or pregnancy and/or childbirth, or mental or physical disability; (2) complaints of violations of the laws and regulations governing consolidated categorical aid programs, Adult Education, Career/Technical Education, Child Development, Special Education and Nutrition services; (3) impermissible pupil fees [EC 49010-49013]; and/or (4) violation of state and/or federal law. The District/COE has designated compliance officers to receive and investigate uniform complaints that fall within these categories and ensure compliance with law.

Any individual, public agency, or organization may file a written complaint. Complaints alleging unlawful discrimination shall be initiated not later than six months from the date the alleged discrimination occurred, or the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged discrimination. Copies of the complaint form are available from the school or District/COE office. After filling out the complaint form, it should be directed to the District/COE compliance officer, Director of Human Resources John Simons. The compliance officer will investigate the complaint and provide a written report of the investigation and decision within 60 calendar days.

If dissatisfied with the District's/COE's decision, the complainant may also appeal in writing to the California Department of Education (CDE) within 15 days of receiving the District's/COE's decision.

A complainant may seek assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys. Civil law remedies that may be imposed by a state or federal court include, but are not limited to, injunctions and restraining orders. In a complaint of unlawful discrimination, complainant may seek civil law remedies no sooner than 60 days from the filing of an appeal with CDE, except that such time limitation does not apply to injunctive relief.

Additionally, any individual, public agency, or organization may file complaints about specified situations pertaining to instructional materials, emergency, or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health and safety of pupils or staff, and teacher vacancies or mis assignments. Such complaints ("Williams Complaints") are subject to a different complaint procedure. Such a complaint may be filed anonymously.

For more information concerning the filing of uniform complaints, copies of the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations pertaining to these complaint procedures are available upon request at the school or District/COE offices free of charge, or on the District/COE website at www.ltusd.org [5 CCR 4600 et seq.]. (Board Policy 1312.3 Attachment – 5)

26. Sexual Harassment Policy:

Reports of alleged pupil sexual harassment in violation of District/COE policy or federal or state law will be handled pursuant to the attached policies and procedures established by the District/COE. The District/COE shall be responsible for providing written procedures regarding the process for reporting, investigating, and resolving such complaints. [EC 48980(f), 212.5, 231.5]. (Attachment - 6)

27. School Accountability Report Card:

On or before February 1 of each year, parents are entitled to an updated hard copy of the School Accountability Report Card, which is available upon request. [EC 35256].

28. Curriculum:

The curriculum, including titles, descriptions, and instructional aims of every course offered by a public school shall be compiled at least once annually in a prospectus. The prospectus is available for review upon request and for copying at a reasonable charge. [EC 49091.14; 49063(k)].

29. Grants for Advanced Placement Tests:

Needy pupils may be eligible for state grants to cover the costs of advanced placement examinations. Contact the school for eligibility information. [EC 48980(j)].

30. Homeless and Foster Youth:

Information regarding educational options for homeless youth and foster youth is available by contacting the District/COE. [EC 48850 et seq.].

31. Pesticides:

At this time, the District does not have any scheduled pesticide applications. The District adheres to a strict policy of never applying pesticides while school is in session. Should the need arise during the school year, applications will occur during extended school breaks or over the summer, at least 72 hours prior to resuming regular school hours.

Should an emergency pesticide application occur during the school year, all parents of students at the subject school site will be notified at least 72 hours before the application.

32. Asbestos:

You have the right to obtain an updated Management Plan for asbestos-containing material at your school site [40 CFR 763.93(g)(4); EC 49410 et seq.].

33. Tobacco-Free Campus:

Contact the school for information about the District/COE's tobacco-free campus policy, if any, and enforcement procedures. [H.&S. 104420].

34. College Admission Requirements, Higher Education Information, and Career Technical Education:

[EC 48980(l); 51229] (District Attachment – 7)

35. Statutory Attendance Options:

California law requires school districts to provide an education to any pupil who resides within the district's attendance area. Although pupils have the right to a free, public education, the law does not guarantee that a pupil can attend the school of choice, or even the neighborhood school.

Existing statutory attendance options include interdistrict transfer, Allen transfer, intradistrict transfer, open enrollment, ESSA, and District of Choice. Parents/guardians should contact the District/COE regarding any and all enrollment options.

Interdistrict Transfer

A pupil may attend a school in a district other than the pupil's district of residence pursuant to an interdistrict agreement between the district of residence and district of desired attendance. Each school district has adopted policies regarding interdistrict attendance. Parents/guardians wishing to enroll their pupil at a school district outside of their resident school district may obtain an application for interdistrict attendance transfer from the District/COE. Interdistrict transfer agreements must be approved by both the pupil's school district of residence and the school district to which the pupil seeks to transfer. The agreement may include terms or conditions. It is within the authority of either the school district of residence or the receiving school district to revoke an interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement at any time for any reason the school district governing board or school district superintendent deems appropriate. If a request for an interdistrict transfer agreement is denied, the pupil's parents/guardians may file an appeal to the county office of education in the pupil's school district of residence within 30 days of receipt of the official notice of denial of the transfer.

Allen Transfer

Education Code section 48204(b) permits a school district to deem a pupil to have complied with the residency requirements for attendance if at least one parent or the legal guardian of the pupil is physically employed within the boundaries of that school district for a minimum of 10 hours during the school week. School districts within which at least one parent/guardian of a pupil is employed are not required to admit the pupil to its schools. Once admitted the pupil may attend school in the district in which the parent or guardian is employed through grade 12 so long as the parent or guardian continues to be physically employed by an employer situated within the attendance boundaries of the school district, subject to certain conditions specified in EC 48204. As a resident, the pupil does not have to reapply for the transfer to be valid.

Intradistrict Transfer

An intradistrict transfer applies when parents/guardians wish to register/admit/enroll their pupil(s) at a school other than the designated school that is in their attendance area within their school district. Each school district shall adopt rules and regulations establishing a policy of open enrollment within the district for residents of the district. This requirement does not apply to a school district that has only one school or a school district with schools that do not serve any of the same grade levels. Education Code section 35160.5(b) permits parents to indicate a preference for the school that their child will attend, irrespective of the child's place of residence within the school district.

To the extent required and financed by federal law and at the request of the pupil's parent or guardian, each school district shall provide transportation assistance to the pupil. [EC 35160.5(b)(4)].

Open Enrollment

The Open Enrollment Act [EC 48350-48361] provides an option to pupils attending low-achieving schools within their "school district of residence" to enroll in schools with higher Academic Performance Indices (API). The Superintendent of Public Instruction creates an annual list of schools subject to the provisions of the Open Enrollment Act. Parents/guardians of pupils attending any of these schools may apply for admission to a higher achieving school by January 1. The receiving school district ("district of enrollment") may adopt specific standards for the acceptance and rejection of applications under this provision. These may include consideration of capacity issues as well as the potential adverse financial impact. While technically remaining law, the CDE has replaced the API.

Every Student Succeeds Act

Districts may provide alternative supports and public-school choice.

Parents/guardians who are interested in finding out more about attendance and/or programmatic options should contact the District for more information on the District's policies, procedures, and timelines for applying for transfers. [EC 48980(h)]. (See Attachment – 8, for list of enrollment options available to the pupils within the District)

District of Choice

A school district may elect to operate the school district as a school district of choice and may accept transfers from school districts of residence pursuant to Education Code 48300 et seq. Please contact the District office to determine applicability.

36. Notice of Teacher Qualifications

LEAs will ensure that all teachers working in a program supported with Title I, Part A funds meet applicable state certification and licensure requirements. At the beginning of each school year, an LEA that receives Title I funds shall notify the parents of each student attending any school receiving such funds that the parents may request, and the LEA will provide the parents on request (and in a timely manner), information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers, including at a minimum, the following: (20 U.S.C. sections 6312[c][6], 6312[e][1][A])

- a) Whether the student's teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][i][I])
- b) Whether the student's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][i][II])
- c) Whether the student's teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][i][III])
- d) Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][ii])

37. Cal Grant Grade Point Average Notice:

Pupils enrolled in grade 12 shall be deemed to be a Cal Grant applicant and pupil's grade point average forwarded to the Student Aid Commission unless pupil opts out within 30 days of notice that the school will first send grade point averages to the Commission. [EC 69432.9].

38. Electronic Notification:

This notice may be exclusively provided electronically provided a parent or guardian has so requested. [EC 48981, 48985].

39. State Mandated Testing Waivers:

According to Education Code section 60615, if parents/guardians do not want their student to take all or part of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress System or other similar standardized test, they are required to submit a written request to the principal of their student's school. The principal must have this letter prior to the start of each test. Parents/guardians are required to specify the test name in the letter.

40. Special Education:

Special Education programs are available to all eligible students with disabilities, ages 0–22. If you have any reason to believe your child needs special education, please contact the Division of Special Education at LTUSD Annex, 1735 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150, or school site administration. [EC 56301]. (District Attachment – 9).

41. Foster and Homeless Youth, Pupils of Military Families, Former Juvenile Court School Pupils, Migratory Children, and High Mobility Pupils:

Foster or homeless youth, former juvenile court school pupils, pupils of military families, currently migratory children, and newcomer program participants in their third or fourth year of high school may be exempted from local graduation coursework requirements that are in addition to state graduation requirements unless the District/COE makes a finding that the pupil is reasonably able to complete graduation requirements in time to graduate from high school by the end of the pupil's fourth year of high school. Such pupils shall not be required to accept the exemption or be denied enrollment in, or the ability to complete, courses for which the pupil is otherwise eligible, including courses necessary to attend an institution of higher education, regardless of whether those courses are required for statewide

graduation requirements. The District/COE is also required to consult with an eligible pupil and the person holding the pupil's educational rights of the option to remain in school for a 5th year if the local educational agency determines the pupil is reasonably able to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements within the pupil's 5th year of high school. If the District/COE makes such a determination, they are required to:

- Consult with the pupil and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil regarding the pupil's option to remain in school for a fifth year to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements.
- Consult with the pupil, and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, about how remaining in school for a fifth year to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements will affect the pupil's ability to gain admission to a postsecondary educational institution.
- Consult with and provide information to the pupil about transfer opportunities available through the California Community Colleges.
- Permit the pupil to stay in school for a fifth year to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements upon agreement with the pupil, if the pupil is 18 years of age or older, or, if the pupil is under 18 years of age, upon agreement with the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil.
- For a pupil in foster care or a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, consult with the pupil, and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, regarding the pupil's option to remain in the pupil's school of origin, pursuant to EC 48852.7 for a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, or EC 48853.5 for a pupil in foster care.

The District/COE shall exempt an eligible pupil from the local educational agency's graduation requirements and provide the pupil the option to remain in school for a fifth year to complete the statewide coursework requirements if the District/COE determines that an eligible pupil is not reasonably able to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements within the pupil's fifth year of high school, but is reasonably able to complete the statewide coursework requirements specified in EC 51225.3.

The District/COE shall be required to reevaluate eligibility when a pupil is determined to be not eligible for an exemption and provide written notice to the pupil, the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, and the pupil's social worker or probation officer, if applicable, whether the pupil qualifies for an exemption within the first 30 calendar days of the following academic year. Pupils in foster care may not have their grades lowered due to absences under certain circumstances, like a change in placement or court attendance. Eligible pupils who may qualify for the exemption from local graduation requirements are entitled to notice of the exemption within 30 calendar days of the date the pupil transfers into a school.

In addition to other requirements, the District/COE is required to accept coursework satisfactorily completed by a pupil in foster care, a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, a former juvenile court school pupil, a pupil who is a child of a military family, a pupil who is a migratory child, or a pupil participating in a newcomer program while attending another public school, a juvenile court school, a charter school, a school in a country other than the United States, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency even if the pupil did not complete the entire course and shall issue that pupil full or partial credit for the coursework completed. Eligible pupils shall not be required to retake a course if the pupil has satisfactorily completed the entire course in a public school, a juvenile court school, a charter school, a school in a country other than the United States, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. If the pupil did not complete the entire course, the local educational agency shall not require the pupil to retake the portion of the course the pupil completed unless the local educational agency, in consultation with the holder of educational rights for the pupil, finds that the pupil is reasonably able to complete the requirements in time to graduate from high school. If partial credit is awarded the eligible pupil shall be enrolled in the same or equivalent course, if applicable, so that the pupil may continue and complete the entire course. An eligible pupil shall not be prevented from retaking or taking a course to meet the eligibility requirements for admission to the California State University or the University of California. A complaint for noncompliance may be filed under the District/COE's Uniform Complaint Procedures. [See Paragraph 25] [EC 51225.1 et seq.]. Eligible students should contact the District/COE regarding specific qualifications and requirements.

42. Immigration, Citizenship Status, and Religious Belief:

Students are afforded an equal right to an education regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs. Additional information regarding your rights to an education can be found at oag.ca.gov/immigrant/rights. [EC 234.7]. (*District Attachment - 10*).

43. District/COE Policy Regarding Parent Classroom Visits:

To ensure the safety of students and staff and minimize interruption of the instructional program, the Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures which facilitate visits during regular school days. Visits during school hours should be arranged with the principal or designee. When a visit involves a conference with a teacher or the principal, an appointment should be scheduled during non instructional time. Any person who is not a student or staff member shall register immediately upon entering any school building or grounds when school is in session. The principal or designee may provide a visible means of identification for all individuals who are not students or staff members while on school premises. (Board Policy 1250 Attachment -11)

44. Employee-Pupil Code of Conduct:

The Board of Education expects district employees to maintain the highest ethical standards, exhibit professional behavior, follow district policies and regulations, abide by state and federal laws, and exercise good judgment when interacting with students and other members

of the school community. Employee conduct should enhance the integrity of the district, advance the goals of the district's educational programs, and contribute to a positive school climate. (Board Policy 4119.21) The Board of Education believes that all students have the right to be educated in a positive learning environment free from disruptions. Students shall be expected to exhibit appropriate conduct that does not infringe upon the rights of others or interfere with the school program while on school grounds, going to or coming from school, at school activities, or using district transportation. (Board Policy 5131 Attachment 12).

45. Bullying:

The Board of Education recognizes the harmful effects of bullying on student well-being, student learning, and school attendance and desires to provide a safe school environment that protects students from physical and emotional harm. District employees shall establish student safety as a high priority and shall not tolerate bullying of any student. No individual or group shall, through physical, written, verbal, visual, or other means, harass, sexually harass, threaten, intimidate, cyberbully, cause bodily injury to, or commit hate violence against any student or school personnel, or retaliate against them for filing a complaint or participating in the complaint resolution process. The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies for addressing bullying in district schools with the involvement of students, parents/guardians, and staff. As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee may also collaborate with social services, mental health services, law enforcement, courts, and other agencies and community organizations in the development and implementation of effective strategies to promote safety in schools and the community. Such strategies shall be incorporated into the comprehensive safety plan and, to the extent possible, into the local control and accountability plan and other applicable district and school plans. Corrective actions for a student who commits an act of bullying of any type may include counseling, behavioral intervention and education, and, if the behavior is severe or pervasive as defined in Education Code 48900, may include suspension or expulsion in accordance with district policies and regulations. (Board Policy 5131.2)

46. Students Convicted of a Violent Felony or Misdemeanor:

A student may be transferred to another district school if he/she is convicted of a violent felony, per Penal Code 667.5(c), or a misdemeanor listed in Penal Code 29805 and is enrolled at the same school as the victim of the crime for which he/she was convicted. (Board Policy 5116.2 Attachment -13)

47. Investing for Future Education:

Parents are advised of the importance of investing for higher education for students and considering appropriate investment options.

48. Earned Income Tax Credit Information Act:

Based on your annual earnings, you may be eligible to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit from the Federal Government (Federal EITC). The Federal EITC is a refundable federal income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. The Federal EITC has no effect on certain welfare benefits. In most cases, Federal EITC payments will not be used to determine eligibility for Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, food stamps, low-income housing, or most Temporary Assistance for Needy Families payments. Even if you do not owe federal taxes, you must file a federal tax return to receive the Federal EITC. Be sure to fill out the Federal EITC form in the Federal Income Tax Return Booklet. For information regarding your eligibility to receive the Federal EITC, including information on how to obtain the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Notice 797 or any other necessary forms and instructions, contact the IRS by calling 1-800-829-3676 or through its website at www.irs.gov.

You may also be eligible to receive the California Earned Income Tax Credit (California EITC) starting with the calendar year 2015 tax year. The California EITC is a refundable state income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. The California EITC is treated in the same manner as the Federal EITC and generally will not be used to determine eligibility for welfare benefits under California law. To claim the California EITC, even if you do not owe California taxes, you must file a California income tax return and complete and attach the California EITC Form (FTB 3514). For information on the availability of the credit eligibility requirements and how to obtain the necessary California forms and get help filing, contact the Franchise Tax Board at 1-800-852-5711 or through its website at www.ftb.ca.gov.

49. Mental Health Service:

Parents/guardians may access available pupil mental health services on campus or in the community. (*District Attachment - 14*).

50. Bus rules and information: (*District Attachment -15*)

51. Firearm Storage: EC 48986 (*District Attachment – 16*)

PPRA Model Notice and Consent/Opt-Out for Specific Activities

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232h, requires school districts to notify you and obtain consent or allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas (“protected information surveys”):

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, 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 student’s parents; or
8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure, or use of student information for marketing purposes (“marketing surveys”), and certain physical exams and screenings. Policies regarding these rights may be obtained from the school district/COE.

Parents who believe their rights have been violated under this section may file a complaint with the Family Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20202-5901.

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”) the right to access the student’s education records. 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.

Additionally, parents or eligible students, maintain the right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student alleges the records contain:

1. inaccuracy, or
2. unsubstantiated personal conclusion or inference, or
3. conclusion or inference outside of the observer’s area of competence, or
4. data is not based upon the personal observation of a named person with the time and place of the observation noted, or
5. misleading information/conclusions, or
6. violations of the student’s privacy or other rights.

Parents should write the School principal [or appropriate school official], 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.

Parents or eligible students maintain 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. One exception permits disclosure without consent 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 their tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill their 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.

Another exception permits disclosure of appropriately designated “directory information” without written consent unless parents have advised the School to the contrary in accordance with school district procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the School to include this type of information from a student’s education records in certain school publications (e.g., yearbooks, honor roll lists, sports activity sheets). Directory information, which is information that is not generally considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without prior written consent. In addition, schools are required to provide military recruiters, upon request, with secondary students’ names, addresses, and telephone listings unless parents have advised the school that they do not want their student’s information disclosed without their prior consent.

The School has designated the following information as directory information: student's name, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, address, telephone listing, weight and height of members of athletic teams, e-mail address, photograph, degrees, honors, and awards received, date of birth, major field of study, dates of attendance, and the most recent educational agency or institution attended. Directory information does not include citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin, unless consent is obtained prior to release. If parents do not want the School to disclose directory information from their child's education records without prior written consent, they must notify the School in writing [10 U.S.C. § 503, 20 U.S.C. § 7908, 34 C.F.R. § 99.37, EC 49073].

Parents or eligible students maintain the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the 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.

Please return this acknowledgment, with the required signature, to your student's school.

PARENTAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT ONLY

I have received and read the notice and all included attachments regarding my rights relating to the above courses and activities which might affect my child.

Print Pupil's Name

Grade

Required Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

ATTACHMENT 1
FULL TEXT OF EDUCATION CODE SECTION 48205

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 48200, a pupil shall be excused from school when the absence is:
- (1) Due to the pupil's illness, including an absence for the benefit of the pupil's mental or behavioral health.
 - (2) Due to quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer.
 - (3) For the purpose of having medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic services rendered.
 - (4) For the purpose of attending the funeral services of a member of the pupil'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) For the purpose of jury duty in the manner provided for by law.
 - (6) Due to the illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the pupil is the custodial parent, including absences to care for a sick child, for which the school 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 pupil's religion, attendance at a religious retreat, attendance at an employment conference, or attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization, when the pupil's absence is requested in writing by the parent or guardian and approved by the principal or a designated representative pursuant to uniform standards established by the governing board of the school district.
 - (8) For the purpose of serving as a member of a precinct board for an election pursuant to Section 12302 of the Elections Code.
 - (9) For the purpose of spending time with a member of the pupil's immediate family who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined in Section 49701, 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. Absences granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be granted for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the superintendent of the school district.
 - (10) For the purpose of attending the pupil's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen.
 - (11) For the purpose of participating in a cultural ceremony or event.
 - (12)(A) For the purpose of a middle school or high school pupil engaging in a civic or political event, as provided in subparagraph (B), provided that the pupil notifies the school ahead of the absence.
 - (B)(i) A middle school or high school pupil who is absent pursuant to subparagraph (A) is required to be excused for only one school day-long absence per school year.
 - (ii) A middle school or high school pupil who is absent pursuant to subparagraph (A) may be permitted additional excused absences in the discretion of a school administrator, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 48260.
- (13) Authorized at the discretion of a school administrator, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 48260.
- (b) A pupil absent from school under this section shall be allowed to complete all assignments and tests missed during the absence that can be reasonably provided and, upon satisfactory completion within a reasonable period of time, shall be given full credit therefor. The teacher of the class from which a pupil is absent shall determine which tests and assignments shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the tests and assignments that the pupil missed during the absence.
- (c) For purposes of this section, attendance at religious retreats shall not exceed four hours per semester.
- (d) Absences pursuant to this section are deemed to be absences in computing average daily attendance and shall not generate state apportionment payments.
- (e) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
- (1) A "civic or political event" includes, but is not limited to, voting, poll working, strikes, public commenting, candidate speeches, political or civic forums, and town halls.
 - (2) "Cultural" means relating to the habits, practices, beliefs, and traditions of a certain group of people.
 - (3) "Immediate family" means the parent or guardian, brother or sister, grandparent, or any other relative living in the household of the pupil.

LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2023 - 2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

JULY 2023							JANUARY 2024						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1		1	2	3	4	5	6
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31			
30	31						17 Student Days						
AUGUST 2023							FEBRUARY 2024						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4					1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31			25	26	27	28	29		
4 Student Days							16 Student Days						

SEPTEMBER 2023							MARCH 2024						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1							2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
20 Student Days							31	21 Student Days					

OCTOBER 2023							APRIL 2024						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7				1	2	3	4
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
29	30	PD 31					28	29	30				
21 Student Days							17 Student Days						

NOVEMBER 2023							MAY 2024						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4				1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30			26	27	28	29	30	31	
16 Student Days							22 Student Days						

DECEMBER 2023							JUNE 2024						
S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
						1							1
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
31							30						
16 Student Days							10-13 Student Days						

IMPORTANT DATES -- 2023	
July 4	Independence Day Holiday
August 23	New Teacher Orientation (at STHS)
August 24-25	All Teacher Work Days (No School)
August 28	First Day of School
September 4	Labor Day Holiday
September 5	Back-to-School Night - STMS (Student/Teacher Minimum Day)
September 7	Back-to-School Night - Elementary (Student/Teacher Minimum Day)
September 12	Fall Term Welcome - STHS (Student/Teacher Minimum Day)
October 26-27	Mid-Term Exams -- STHS
October 27	End of First Semester (44 Days) (High School Only)
October 31	Certificated Staff Development (No School)
November 10	Veterans Day "Day Off" No School
November 13-17	Parent Conferences - Elementary (Student Minimum Days)
November 17	End of First Trimester (57 Days) (Elementary & STMS Only)
November 17	Student/Teacher Minimum Day All Schools
November 20-24	Thanksgiving Recess
December 22	Student/Teacher Minimum Day All Schools
December 25-29	Winter Break

IMPORTANT DATES -- 2024	
January 1-5	Winter Break
January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday
January 25-26	First Term Finals -- STHS (Student Minimum Days)
January 26	End of First Term (91 days: 44 + 47: 2nd semester)
February 1	Spring Term Welcome STHS (Student/Teacher Minimum Day)
February 19-23	Presidents' Holiday Break
March 12-14	Parent Conferences - Elementary (Student Minimum Days)
March 15	End of Second Trimester (64 Days) (Elementary & STMS Only)
April 4-5	Mid-Term Exams STHS
April 5	End of First Semester (Second Term - 45 Days-High School Only)
April 5	Student/Teacher Minimum Day All Schools
April 8-12	Spring Break
May 2	Open House - STMS (Student/Teacher Minimum Day)
May 27	Memorial Day Holiday
June 4	Senior Project -- STHS (Student Minimum Day)
June 6	Open House - Elementary Schools (Student/Teacher Minimum Day)
June 13-14	*Second Term Finals -- STHS (Student Minimum Days)
Last day of school	8th Grade Promotion STMS (Regular Day for STMS)
June 14	Graduation Day (Student & STHS Staff Minimum Day) * FINALS
June 14	Last Day of School with No Snow Days (Student Minimum Day)
	End of Second Term (89 Days: 45+44 - High School Only)
	End of Third Trimester = 59 Days (Elementary & STMS)
June 19	Juneteenth Holiday
June 20	Last Day of School with 3 snow days (Student Minimum Day)

LEGEND	
	= All Schools Closed
	= Teacher Work/Prep Day/PD Day (Oct 31) - no students
	= First / Last Day of School
	= Non-School Year
	= Regular School Day
PD	= Staff Development Day
	= Collaboration Wednesdays All Schools/Every Weds 1 hour early release
	= Minimum Days All Schools
	= Minimum Days Elementary Schools
	= Minimum Days Middle School
	= Minimum Days South Tahoe High School

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ATTACHMENT 3
PUPIL RECORD INFORMATION
Administrative Regulation 5125

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 the employee's 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; 34 CFR 99.3)

1. 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
4. Records created or received by the district after an individual is no longer a student 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 official duties, responsibilities, or contractual obligations to the district, whether routine or as a result of special circumstances, require access to information contained in student records.

School officials and employees are officials or employees, including teachers, whose duties and responsibilities to the district, whether routine or as a result of special circumstances, require access to student records. (34 CFR 99.31)

Contractor or consultant is anyone with a formal written agreement or contract with the district regarding the provision of services or functions outsourced 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 students younger than age 18 years, including the parent who is not the student's custodial parent (Education Code 49069.7; 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 the student's 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)

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 18 years of age or older who is a dependent child as defined in 26 USC 152 (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31)
2. Students who are age 16 or older or who have completed the 10th grade (Education Code 49076)
3. School officials and employees, consistent with the definition provided in the section "Definitions" above (Education Code 49076; 34 CFR 99.31)
4. Members of a school attendance review board (SARB) appointed pursuant to Education Code 48321 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)
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; 34 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 the 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 required, 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 January 1 each year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify each student in grade 11, and the student's parents/guardians if the student is under age 18 years, that the student's GPA will be forwarded to the Student Aid Commission by October 1 unless the student opts out within a period of time specified in the notice, which shall not be less than 30 days. (Education Code 69432.9)

Students' 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 or evaluation of, or compliance with, a state or federally funded education program and in accordance with a written agreement developed pursuant to 34 CFR 99.35 (Education Code 49076; 34 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 student who is a minor for the purposes of conducting a criminal investigation or an investigation in regards to declaring the minor a ward of the court or involving a violation of a condition of probation, subject to evidentiary rules specified in Welfare and 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 non related 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)

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)
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 in accordance with state or tribal law for the care and protection of a student, provided that the individual is authorized by the agency or organization to receive the records and the information requested 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 such records, 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)

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 in California or any other state or to a 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 49061, 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 the discretion of the Superintendent or designee, information may be released 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 in order to carry out their accrediting functions (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 students or parents/guardians 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 with the district, excluding volunteers or other parties (Education Code 49076)
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 the student's 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)
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 limits set by 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 99.37)

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)

De-identification of Records

When authorized by law for any program audit, educational research, or other purpose, 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 a 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; 20 USC 1232g; 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 and adult students 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 policy 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, a student's parent/guardian or an adult student 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 or adult student, the district shall provide a copy of the records disclosed. (34 CFR 99.30)

If the parent/guardian or adult student 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, the 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 record 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 record(s) 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 open to inspection only by the parent/guardian, adult student, dependent adult student, custodian of records, and certain state or federal officials specified in Education Code 49064. (Education Code 49064; 5 CCR 432)

Duplication of Student Records

To provide copies of any student record, the district may 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 a student or a student who is 18 years of age or is attending an institution of postsecondary education may challenge the content of a record or offer a written response to a record. (Education Code 49061)

No addition or change shall be made to a student's record after high school graduation or permanent departure, other than routine updating, unless required by law or with prior consent of the parent/guardian or adult student. (Education Code 49070; 5 CCR 437)

Any request to change a student's legal name in the student's mandatory permanent student record shall be accompanied with appropriate documentation.

Any challenge to the content of a student's record shall be filed in accordance with the process specified in AR 5125.3 - Challenging Student Records. (Education Code 49070)

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
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 towards graduation
7. Verification of or exemption from required 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
2. A log identifying persons or organizations who request or receive information from the student record
3. Health information, including verification or waiver of the health screening for school entry
4. Information on participation in special education programs, including required tests, case studies, authorizations, and actions necessary to establish eligibility for admission or discharge
5. Language training records
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 prohibition of student participation in specific programs
10. Results of standardized tests administered within the past three years
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

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

1. Objective counselor and/or teacher ratings
2. Standardized test results older than three years
3. Routine disciplinary data
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 any other school district or a private school, the Superintendent or designee shall inform the student's parent/guardian of rights regarding student records, including a parent/guardian's 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 the student's suspension or expulsion. (Education Code 48201)

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 damage or loss of school property, this information shall be sent to the requesting district along with the student's records.

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 48985, 49063; 34 CFR 99.7)

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
12. Any other rights and requirements set forth in Education Code 49060-49085, 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 a 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.

Updating Name and/or Gender of Former Students

When a former student submits a state-issued driver's license, birth certificate, passport, social security card, court order, or other government-issued documentation demonstrating that the former student's legal name and/or gender has changed, the district shall update the former student's records to include the updated legal name and/or gender. Upon request by the former student, the district shall reissue any documents conferred upon the former student, including, but not limited to, a transcript, a high school diploma, a high school equivalency certificate, or other similar documents. (Education Code 49062.5)

If the former student's name or gender is changed and the requested records are reissued, a new document shall be added to the former student's file that includes all of the following information: (Education Code 49062.5)

1. The date of the request
2. The date the requested records were reissued to the former student
3. A list of the records that were requested by and reissued to the former student

4. The type of documentation, if any, provided by the former student to demonstrate a legal change to the student's name and/or gender
5. The name of the employee who completed the request
6. The current and former names and/or genders of the student

Any former student who submits a request to change the legal name and/or gender on the student's records but is unable to provide any government-issued documentation demonstrating the legal name or gender change, may request a name or gender change through the process described in Education Code 49070 and AR 5125.3 - Challenging Student Records. (Education Code 49062.5)

Student Records from Social Media

For the purpose of gathering and maintaining records of students' social media activity, the Superintendent or designee shall: (Education Code 49073.6)

1. Gather or maintain only information that pertains directly to school safety or student safety
2. Provide a student with access to any information that the district obtained from his/her social media activity and an opportunity to correct or delete such information
3. Destroy information gathered from social media and maintained in student records within one year after a student turns 18 years of age or within one year after the student is no longer enrolled in the district, whichever occurs first
4. Notify each parent/guardian that the student's information is being gathered from social media and that any information maintained in the student's records shall be destroyed as provided in item #3 above. The notification shall also include, but is not limited to, an explanation of the process by which a student or his/her parent/guardian may access the student's records for examination of the information gathered or maintained and the process by which

removal of the information may be requested or corrections to the information may be made. The notification may be provided as part of the annual parental notification required pursuant to Education Code 48980.

5. If the district contracts with a third party to gather information on a student from social media, ensure that the contract:
 - a. Prohibits the third party from using the information for purposes other than those specified in the contract or from selling or sharing the information with any person or entity other than the district, the student, or his/her parent/guardian
 - b. Requires the third party to destroy the information immediately upon satisfying the terms of the contract, or when the district notifies the third party that the student has turned 18 years of age or is no longer enrolled in the district, whichever occurs first.

BOARD POLICIES RELATED TO DIRECTORY INFORMATION,

DISTRICT AND SCHOOL WEBSITES AND DISTRICT-SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA

Pursuant to LTSUD Board Policy 5125.1 (exhibit), Directory Information is information that is not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the district to include this type of information in certain school and/or district publications. It may also be disclosed to outside organizations for purposes such as yearbook design companies; honor roll or other recognition lists; graduation programs and recognition; a playbill showing your child's role in a drama or music program; local media for athletics, visual and performing arts, and scholastic activities and

achievements; Straight A Ski Pass Program with Sierra-at-Tahoe; Ski school program with Heavenly; Gold Star Student Program with El Dorado County; El Dorado County Office of Education who visits our schools to photograph or film students during various activities; Operation School Bell charity program; and school photography company for purposes of school pictures.

The district has designated the following information as directory information:

1. Name
2. Address
3. Telephone number
4. Email 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

DISTRICT AND SCHOOL WEBSITES AND DISTRICT-SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA

Because of the wide accessibility of the Internet and potential risk to students, photographs of individual students shall not be published with their names or personally identifiable information without the prior written consent of the student's parent/guardian. Photographs of groups of students, such as at a school event, may be published provided that students' names are not included (BP 1113 & 1114).

MILITARY RECRUITERS AND COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

LTUSD receives funds from the federal government under the Local Control Funding Formula. The law requires that districts receiving these funds must, upon request, provide to military recruiters, colleges and universities, access to the names, addresses and telephone listings of secondary students. I am aware the district will provide this information upon request, unless I require that such information not be given to the following groups without prior written parental consent.

OPT-OUT: If you do not want the district to release directory information without your prior written consent, you must notify the district in writing by October 1st of each school year by completing an opt-out form available at www.ltusd.org under "Parents – Annual Notifications" or at the District Office located at 1021 Al Tahoe Blvd. Please deliver the completed form to your child's school site.

ATTACHMENT 4

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS

"Notice of Alternative Schools: 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:

- (a) Maximize the opportunity for students to develop the positive values of self-reliance, initiative, kindness, spontaneity, resourcefulness, courage, creativity, responsibility, and joy.
- (b) Recognize that the best learning takes place when the student learns because of his desire to learn.
- (c) 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.
- (d) 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.
- (e) 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, pupil, 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."

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The Lake Tahoe Unified School District has two alternative schools:

Mt. Tallac High Continuation High School (Grades 9-12) is located at the Alternative Education Center. Mt. Tallac serves at-risk students between 16-18 years of age who are deficient in credits but want to earn a high school diploma and improve their lives. In addition, Mt. Tallac offers a program to support young pregnant and parenting youth through support services and parenting education. Students are encouraged to attend college or trade school and or develop a viable plan to secure a skilled occupation through a school to career development program.

Independent Learning Academy/Online Learning Program: (Grades TK-12) The Independent Learning Academy (ILA) program, offered through Elevated Digital Learning Academy, is a home-based and/or blended campus/home based program which offers standards-based, student-focused, academic options to all students in the community. The ILA provides weekly appointments with a teacher to collaborate and assess work. Flexible scheduling to accommodate traveling or athletics.

ATTACHMENT 5
UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURE
Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 1312.3

The Governing Board 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 the 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.

Complaints Subject to UCP

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

1. Accommodations for pregnant and parenting students (Education Code 46015)
2. Adult education programs (Education Code 8500-8538, 52334.7, 52500-52617)
3. After School Education and Safety programs (Education Code 8482-8484.65)
4. Agricultural career technical education (Education Code 52460-52462)
5. Career technical and technical education and career technical and technical training programs (Education Code 52300-52462)
6. Child care and development programs (Education Code 8200-8488)
7. Compensatory education (Education Code 54400)
8. Consolidated categorical aid programs (Education Code 33315; 34 CFR 299.10-299.12)
9. Course periods without educational content (Education Code 51228.1-51228.3)
10. Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying in district programs and activities, including in those programs or activities funded directly by or that receive or benefit from any state financial assistance, based on a 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, medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or based on the person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics (5 CCR 4610)
11. Educational and graduation requirements for students in foster care, homeless students, students from military families, and students formerly in a juvenile court school (Education Code 48645.7, 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2)
12. Every Student Succeeds Act (Education Code 52059.5; 20 USC 6301 et seq.)
13. Local control and accountability plan (Education Code 52075)
14. Migrant education (Education Code 54440-54445)
15. Physical education instructional minutes (Education Code 51210, 51222, 51223)
16. Student fees (Education Code 49010-49013)
17. Reasonable accommodations to a lactating student (Education Code 222)
18. Regional occupational centers and programs (Education Code 52300-52334.7)

19. School plans for student achievement as required for the consolidated application for specified federal and/or state categorical funding (Education Code 64001)
20. School safety plans (Education Code 32280-32289)
21. School site councils as required for the consolidated application for specified federal and/or state categorical funding (Education Code 65000)
22. State preschool programs (Education Code 8207-8225)
23. State preschool health and safety issues in license-exempt programs (Education Code 8212)
24. 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
25. Any other state or federal educational program the Superintendent of Public Instruction or designee deems appropriate

The Board recognizes that alternative dispute resolution (ADR) can, depending on the nature of the allegations, offer a process for resolving a complaint in a manner that is acceptable to all parties. An ADR process 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 different from the complainant, confidential when appropriate and as long as the integrity of the complaint process is maintained.

When an allegation that is not subject to 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 requirements related to UCP, including the steps and timelines specified in this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee 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.

Non-UCP Complaints

The following complaints shall not be subject to the district's UCP but shall be investigated and resolved by the specified agency or through an alternative process:

1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services Protective Services Division or the appropriate law enforcement agency. (5 CCR 4611)
2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to Department of Social Services. (5 CCR 4611)
3. Any complaint alleging that a student, while in an education program or activity in which the district exercises substantial control over the context and respondent, was subjected to sexual harassment as defined in 34 CFR 106.30 shall be addressed through the federal Title IX complaint procedures adopted pursuant to 34 CFR 106.44-106.45, as specified in AR 5145.71 - Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures.
4. 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, including the right to file the complaint with the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing.

5. Any complaint alleging a violation of a state or federal law or regulation related to special education, a settlement agreement related to the provision of a free appropriate public education (FAPE), failure or refusal to implement a due process hearing order to which the district is subject, or a physical safety concern that interferes with the district's provision of FAPE shall be submitted to the California Department of Education (CDE) in accordance with AR 6159.1 - Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education. (5 CCR 3200-3205)
6. Any complaint alleging noncompliance of the district's food service program with laws regarding meal counting and claiming, reimbursable meals, eligibility of children or adults, or use of cafeteria funds and allowable expenses shall be filed with or referred to CDE in accordance with BP 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance. (5 CCR 15580-15584)
7. Any allegation of discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in the district's food service program shall be filed with or referred to the U.S. Department of Agriculture in accordance with BP 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance. (5 CCR 15582)
8. 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 mis assignments shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with AR 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 35186)

ATTACHMENT 6

SEXUAL HARRASSMENT PREVENTION POLICY

The Board of Education is committed to maintaining a safe school environment 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 they are or have 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 their teacher, the principal, the district's Title IV Coordinator 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 Title IX Coordinator shall ensure the complaint or allegation is addressed through AR 5145.71 - Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures or BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures, as applicable. Because a complaint or allegation that is dismissed or denied under the Title IX complaint procedure may still be subject to consideration under state law, the Title IX Coordinator shall ensure that any implementation of AR 5145.71 concurrently meets the requirements of BP/AR 1312.3.

The Title IX Coordinator shall offer supportive measures to the complainant and respondent, as deemed appropriate under the circumstances.

The Superintendent or designee shall inform students and parents/guardians of the district's sexual harassment policy by disseminating it through parent/guardian notifications, publishing it on the district's web site, and including it in student and staff handbooks. All district staff shall be trained regarding the policy.

Instruction/Information

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district students receive age-appropriate 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
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 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 implement supportive 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
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10. Disciplinary Actions

11. Upon completion of an 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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13. Upon investigation of a sexual harassment complaint, any employee found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual violence toward any student shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, in accordance with law and the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

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15. Record-Keeping

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17. In accordance with law and district policies and regulations, 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.

ATTACHMENT 7
COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
HIGHER EDUCATION INFORMATION

University of California and California State University Subjects Requirement (a-g) (Ed. Code §66204)

To qualify for admission to the UC or CSU systems, high school students must meet the Subject Requirements; better known as the a-g requirements. For more information please visit the UC (www.universityofcalifornia.edu) or CSU (www.calstate.edu) websites or your student's counseling office. Information is also available at parent orientations or directly from your student's counselor.

High School Curriculum Notification (AB 428) : UC/CSU College Admission Requirements

To determine the subjects that meet the following college admission courses as certified by the University of California (UC), please visit <https://doorways.ucop.edu/list/> or <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissionrequirements/freshman-requirements/>.

- A. **History/Social Science, 2 years required:** 2 years of history/social science to include 1 year of U.S. history or 1/2 year of U.S. history and 1/2 year of civics or American government; and 1 year of world history, cultures, and geography.
- B. **English, 4 years required:** 4 years of college-preparatory English composition and literature required, which include frequent writing, and reading of classic and modern literature. Not more than one year of ESL-type (English as a Second Language) courses can be used to meet this requirement. Not more than 2 semesters of 9th grade English can be used to meet this requirement.
- C. **Mathematics, 3 years required, 4 years recommended:** 3 years of college-preparatory mathematics that include the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry. A geometry course or an integrated math course with a sufficient amount of geometry content must be completed. Approved integrated math courses may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement, as may math courses taken in the 7th and 8th grades if the high school accepts them as equivalent to its own courses.
- D. **Laboratory Science, 2 years required, 3 years recommended:** 2 years of college-preparatory science, including or integrating topics that provide fundamental knowledge in 2 of these 3 subjects: biology, chemistry, or physics. One year of approved interdisciplinary or earth and space sciences coursework can meet 1 year of the requirement. Computer Science, Engineering, Applied Science courses can be used as an additional science (i.e., third year and beyond). Not more than 1 year of grade 9 laboratory science can be used to meet this requirement.
- E. **Foreign Language, 2 years required, 3 years recommended:** 2 years, or equivalent to the 2nd level of high school instruction, of the same language other than English are required. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading, composition and culture. American Sign Language and classical languages, such as Latin and Greek, are acceptable. Courses taken in the 7th and 8th grades may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement if the high school accepts them as equivalent to its own courses.
- F. **Visual and Performing Arts, 1 year required:** 1 year college-preparatory visual and performing arts: art, dance, drama/ theater, music, interdisciplinary arts, or visual art – or 2 semesters from the same discipline is also acceptable.

- G. **College Preparatory Elective, 1 year required:** 1 year in addition to those required in "a–f" above, chosen from the following areas: visual and performing arts, social science, English, advanced mathematics, laboratory science, and languages other than English (a third year in the language used for the "e" requirement or 2 years of another language).

All LTUSD comprehensive schools offer courses that meet these requirements. Please refer to the 2023-2024 Course Directory for individual course titles and descriptions. This course directory also provides additional websites that will assist students and their parents with college admission requirements.

Career Technical Education (CTE)

Career technical education engages all students in a dynamic and seamless learning experience resulting in their mastery of career and academic knowledge and skills to prepare them for entry into the workplace

Visit <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/> to learn more about CTE.

Career Technical Education (CTE) courses are offered to count toward graduation. For more information, please contact our academic advisors/counselors at each school site.

Choosing the Right Courses

Students are encouraged to contact their school counselor to assist with creating a strategic plan that best meets the student's individual course needs, meeting college admissions requirements and/or enrolling in career technical education courses, and for information and resources on college and workforce preparation.

ATTACHMENT 8

PROGRAMMATIC/SPECIAL PROGRAMMATIC OPTIONS

Programmatic options offered within district attendance areas are as follows:

Title 1: This federally-funded program is designed to help qualified students remediate problems that students may be having in the areas of reading, language arts, and math. Parents have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's teacher. Parents are encouraged to participate in the design and implementation of the Title I Local Education Plan.

Counseling and Guidance: Any time there are concerns regarding your child's academic progress and/or social-emotional adjustment, please contact your school's counselor/psychologist. They welcome the opportunity to discuss your concerns and help to resolve issues.

Structured English Immersion (SEI) Program: A language acquisition program for English learners in which nearly all classroom instruction is provided in English, but with curriculum and a presentation designed for pupils who are learning English. At minimum, students are offered English Language Development and access to grade level academic subject matter content. *Education Code (EC)* sections 305(a)(2) and 306(c)(3).

Dual-Language Immersion (DLI) Program (English/Spanish): Also referred to as **Two-Way Bilingual Immersion (TWBI)**. A language acquisition program that provides language learning and academic instruction for native speakers of English and native speakers of another language, with the goals of high academic achievement, first and second language proficiency, and cross-cultural understanding. For elementary grades, this program is offered at Bijou Community School for grades K-5, and continues to twelfth grade. *EC* Section 306(c)(1). Instruction is provided in Spanish for a significant portion of the school day. The unique feature of this type of dual language instruction is that the TWBI program enrolls an equal number of native English speakers and native Spanish speakers and they are integrated for all or most of the school day. All students have the opportunity to be both first language models and second language learners, and TWBI creates an additive bilingual environment for all students since the first language is maintained while the second language is acquired. LTUSD's TWBI program strives to promote bilingualism and bi-literacy, grade-level academic achievement, and positive cross- cultural attitudes and behaviors in all students. (www.bijou.ltusd.org)

Heritage Language Program (English/Spanish): Language acquisition program for English learners that provides instruction to pupils utilizing English and a pupil's native language for literacy and academic instruction, enabling non-English speakers or students who have weak literacy skills in their native language to achieve language proficiency and meet academic achievement goals. This program is designed for grades 6-8 and 9-12.

Home/Hospital Program: This service is available to any student who is temporarily confined to his/her home due to injury or illness for 15 consecutive school days or more. A physician's written recommendation is required. For further information, call Student Services at 530-543-2267 Ext. 1205. If your child will be absent for five days or more, an Independent Study contract can be issued. Contact your school principal for further information.

Elevated Digital Learning Academy (Grades 1-12):

Elevated Digital Learning Academy opened at the beginning of the 2020-21 school year offering fully online learning to Distract students in grades 1-12. Elevated students use the same standards-aligned, Board-approved curriculum as other District brick and mortar schools with instruction delivered in a structured, online classroom setting by District teachers.

Independent Learning Academy (Grades K-12): Under the Elevated Digital Learning Academy, the Independent Learning Academy (ILA) is an alternative online, or blended workbook/online program within the Lake Tahoe Unified School District. The goal is to offer a standards-based, student-focused, academic option to all students in our

community. We are committed to providing individual academic plans to ensure success for all K-12 students. This flexible scheduling is conducive to accommodating parents who home-school their children and want additional support, extended family traveling schedules, or athletics. Elementary students are able to participate in enrichment activities at their home school (art program, music, field trips, assemblies, leadership, spelling bee). Middle school students have the opportunity to take coursework at South Tahoe Middle School that is not offered through independent study (language, music, lab science). Participation in athletics and extracurricular activities (dances, assemblies) is welcome at the high school. Students can blend classes through Independent Study, South Tahoe High School and Lake Tahoe Community College (LTCC) to achieve credit status necessary to graduate. Participation in athletics, drama department, and all extracurricular activities is welcome. Math tutoring/preparation is available through a math tutoring program at LTCC.

Transitional Kindergarten (TK). The District offers TK for children who turn five between September 2 and June 1. Parents who are interested may contact Tahoe Valley Elementary School or Bijou Elementary School, our two schools offering TK.

Fair Share Athletic Donation Program: STHS and STMS students participate in the Fair Share Athletic Donation Program. Donations will be applied to the District athletic budget. STHS athletes are asked to donate \$115 per sport with an annual maximum of \$250. STMS athletes are asked to donate \$55 per sport with an annual maximum of \$120 if they participate in multiple sports. Scholarship forms are available from the coach and should be completed and returned to the coach.

Special Education Programs: Special classes are provided for students with exceptional needs. Classes are available for pupils who are communicatively handicapped, learning handicapped, physically handicapped, and severely handicapped. Special Classes (SC), Resource Specialist Programs (RSP), and Designated Instruction and Services (DIS) are available if the student is eligible based on an identified disability. Special Education Services including educational instruction and/or services and due process procedures shall be provided with parental consent to each pupil identified eligible for such services at no cost to his/her parents (EC 56040 et. seq.) The Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians in writing of their rights related to identification, referral, assessment, instructional planning, implementation and review, including the district's procedures for initiating a referral for assessment to identify individuals who need special education services. For additional information, contact your school principal.

Special programmatic options available on both an inter-district and intra-district basis are as follows:

Intra-district Open Enrollment (BP 5116.1): The parents/guardians of any student who resides within district boundaries may apply to enroll their child in any district school, regardless of the location of residence within the district.

Enrollment Priorities: Priority for attendance outside a student's attendance area shall be given as follows:

- a) Schools identified for program improvement, and all students enrolled in those schools shall be provided an option to transfer to another district school.
- b) If while on school grounds a student becomes a victim of a violent criminal offense, as defined by the State Board of Education, or attends a school designated by the California Department of Education as persistently dangerous, he/she shall be provided an option to transfer to another district school or charter school.
- c) The Superintendent or designee may approve a student's transfer to a district school that is at capacity and otherwise closed to transfers upon finding that special circumstances exist that might be harmful or dangerous to the student in the current attendance area, including, but not limited to, threats of bodily harm or threats to the emotional stability of the student. Priority may be given to siblings of students already in attendance in that school with an approved transfer.
- d) Priority shall be given to students whose parent/guardian is an employee of the Lake Tahoe Unified School District.
- e) Priority shall be given to students not currently enrolled in the District (private/home-schooled students).
- f) Priority shall be given to students whose before- or after-school child care center is located close to the school of choice.
- g) Priority shall be given to homeless students (as defined under Education Code 1981.2).
- h) For all other applications for enrollment outside a school's attendance area, the Superintendent or designee shall use a random, unbiased selection process to determine who shall be admitted whenever a school receives admission requests that are in excess of the school's capacity. Enrollment decisions shall not be based on a student's academic or athletic

performance, except that existing entrance criteria for specialized schools or programs may be used provided that the criteria are uniformly applied to all applicants. Academic performance may be used to determine eligibility for, or placement in, programs for gifted and talented students. No student currently residing within a school's attendance area shall be displaced by another student transferring from outside the attendance area.

ATTACHMENT 9

§ 56031. Special education

- (a) "Special education," in accordance with Section 1401(29) of Title 20 of the United States Code, means specially designed instruction, at no cost to the parent, to meet the unique needs of individuals with exceptional needs, including instruction conducted in the classroom, in the home, in hospitals and institutions, and other settings, and instruction in physical education.
- (b) In accordance with Section 300.39 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, special education includes each of the following, if the services otherwise meet the requirements of subdivision (a):
 - (1) Speech-language pathology services, or any other designated instruction and service or related service, pursuant to Section 56363, if the service is considered special education rather than a designated instruction and service or related service under state standards.
 - (2) Travel training.
 - (3) Vocational education.
- (c) Transition services for individuals with exceptional needs may be special education, in accordance with Section 300.43(b) of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, if provided as specially designed instruction, or a related service, if required to assist an individual with exceptional needs to benefit from special education.
- (d) Individuals with exceptional needs shall be grouped for instructional purposes according to their instructional needs.

**Immigration Status
“Know Your Rights”**

Your Child has the Right to a Free Public Education

- All children in the United States have a Constitutional right to equal access to free public education, regardless of immigration status and regardless of the immigration status of the students’ parents or guardians.
 - In California: All children have the right to a free public education.
 - All children ages 6 to 18 years must be enrolled in school.
 - All students and staff have the right to attend safe, secure, and peaceful schools.
 - All students have a right to be in a public school learning environment free from discrimination, harassment, bullying, violence, and intimidation.
 - All students have equal opportunity to participate in any program or activity offered by the school, and cannot be discriminated against based on their race, nationality, gender, religion, or immigration status, among other characteristics.

Information Required for School Enrollment

- When enrolling a child, schools must accept a variety of documents from the student’s parent or guardian to demonstrate proof of child’s age or residency.
- You never have to provide information about citizenship/immigration status to have your child enrolled in school. In addition, you never have to provide a Social Security number to have your child enrolled in school.

Confidentiality of Personal Information

- Federal and state laws protect student education records and personal information. These laws generally require that schools get written consent from parents or guardians before releasing student information, unless the release of information is for educational purposes, is already public, or is in response to a court order or subpoena.
- Some schools collect and provide publicly basic student “directory information.” If they do, then each year, your child’s school district must provide parents/guardians with written notice of the school’s directory information policy, and let you know of your option to refuse release of your child’s information in the directory.

Family Safety Plans if You Are Detained or Deported

- You have the option to provide your child’s school with emergency contact information, including the information of secondary contacts, to identify a trusted adult guardian who can care for your child in the event you are detained or deported.
- You have the option to complete a Caregiver’s Authorization Affidavit or a Petition for Appointment of Temporary Guardian of the Person, which may enable a trusted adult the authority to make educational and medical decisions for your child.

ATTACHMENT 11
VISITORS/OUTSIDERS
Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 1250

Board Policy 1250

The Board of Education believes that it is important for parents/guardians and community members to take an active interest in the issues affecting district schools and students. Therefore, the Board encourages interested parents/guardians and community members to visit the schools and participate in the educational program.

To ensure the safety of students and staff and minimize interruption of the instructional program, the Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures which facilitate visits during regular school days. Visits during school hours should be arranged with the principal or designee. When a visit involves a conference with a teacher or the principal, an appointment should be scheduled during noninstructional time.

Any person who is not a student or staff member shall register immediately upon entering any school building or grounds when school is in session.

The principal or designee may provide a visible means of identification for all individuals who are not students or staff members while on school premises.

No electronic listening or recording device may be used by any person in a classroom without the teacher's and principal's permission. (Education Code 51512)

The Board encourages all individuals to assist in maintaining a safe and secure school environment by behaving in an orderly manner while on school grounds and by utilizing the district's complaint processes if they have concerns with any district program or employee. In accordance with Penal Code 626.7, the principal or designee may request that any individual who is causing a disruption, including exhibiting volatile, hostile, aggressive, or offensive behavior, immediately leave school grounds. The principal or designee shall complete a "Visitor Violation Record" and notify the superintendent when an individual is requested to leave school grounds.

Presence of Sex Offender on Campus

Any person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290, including a parent/guardian of a district student, shall request written permission from the principal before entering the school campus or grounds.

Sex Offender Waiver Criteria

On February 14, 2012, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 4972 which prohibits registered sex offenders from being present on public property where children gather, including schools.

Nevertheless, it is recognized that there may be times and places where it may be appropriate for a registered sex offender to be present in a school setting, e.g., a registered sex offender parent attending his child's back-to-school function. Understandably, law enforcement and schools are legitimately concerned about granting waivers only under reasonable and appropriate circumstances and conditions and in accordance with relevant criteria. Therefore, in considering whether to approve a waiver to Ordinance No. 4972 the following criteria will be used in making a determination:

1. Is there any proof that the registered sex offender (biological parent, legal guardian, adoptive parent or custodial (married or unmarried) step-parent) has a right or need to know about a specific child?
2. Is the registered sex offender known to and/or personally recognizable by school personnel?
3. Is there an absence of reports that the registered sex offender has had questionable, negative or notorious behavior or history with the school or in the community?
4. Will the registered sex offender be in constant contact with school personnel or under reliable observation at all times?
5. Will personnel or other responsible persons be available to assure that the registered sex offender leaves the otherwise prohibited area as soon as his legitimate business is concluded?
6. Will the registered sex offender be accompanied by any known responsible family member or member of the community while in an otherwise prohibited area?

7. Is the full and reliable history of the registered sex offender available or known so that some assessment potential risk can be made?
8. Is there a benefit to the child or family in granting the registered sex offender a waiver?
9. Have appropriate registered sex offender requirements been established and implemented?
10. Will registered sex offender requirements be monitored and verified such as:
 - a. Signing in
 - b. Signing out
 - c. Staying in clearly defined appropriately authorized places
 - d. staying for clearly defined appropriately authorized times?
11. Has there been or will there be faculty, staff and administration sharing of information about the registered sex offender?
12. Has law enforcement/sheriff reviewed and verified with the school district:
 - a) That child is in attendance
 - b) Name of child's school, teacher, principal, and grade?
13. Consideration of these risk factors, as well as others, can provide a rational basis in determining whether any risk associated with a waiver is acceptable. The factors should be seen on a sliding scale basis. That is, the more factors that elicit a positive response, the more reasonable it may be to grant a waiver. Ultimately, the decision on whether to grant a waiver is a matter of reasonably sound judgment.

The waiver application process is as follows:

- a) Sex Offender Submittal: to El Dorado County Sheriff
- b) Initial Processing: El Dorado County Sheriff
- c) Routing to School District: El Dorado County Sheriff
- d) Verification of Waiver Information: LTUSD
- e) Routing Back to Sheriff: LTUSD
- f) Final Approval/Denial of Waiver and communication back to the Sex Offender: El Dorado County Sheriff
- g) Transmittal of Waiver to EDCOE: LTUSD

The El Dorado County Office of Education will maintain a county-wide, password protected data bank regarding waiver request forms to be accessible by authorized enforcement officials.

Administrative Regulation 1250

The Superintendent or designee shall post at every entrance to each school and school grounds a notice describing registration requirements, school hours or hours during which registration is required, the registration location, the route to take to that location, and the penalties for violation of registration requirements. (Education Code 32211; Penal Code 627.6)

Unless otherwise directed by the principal or designee, a staff member shall accompany visitors/outsideers while they are on school grounds.

Registration Procedure

In order to register, a visitor shall, upon request, furnish the principal or designee with the following information: (Penal Code 627.3)

1. His/her name, address, and occupation
2. His/her age, if less than 21
3. His/her purpose for entering school grounds
4. Proof of identity
5. Other information consistent with the provisions of law

Principal's Registration Authority

The principal or designee may refuse to register any visitor if he/she reasonably concludes that the individual's presence or acts would disrupt the school, students, or employees; would result in damage to property; or would result in the distribution or use of a controlled substance. The principal or designee or school security officer may revoke any visitor's registration if he/she has a reasonable basis for concluding that the individual's presence on

school grounds would interfere or is interfering with the peaceful conduct of school activities or would disrupt or is disrupting the school, students, or staff. (Penal Code 627.4)

When a visitor fails to register, or when the principal or designee denies or revokes a visitor's registration privileges, the principal or designee may request that the individual promptly leave school grounds. When a visitor is directed to leave, the principal or designee shall inform him/her that if he/she reenters the school within seven days he/she may be guilty of a misdemeanor subject to a fine and/or imprisonment. (Penal Code 627.7) The principal or designee should complete the Lake Tahoe Unified School District "Visitor Violation Record" (Exhibit 3515.2) and provide a copy to the visitor, the Superintendent, and if necessary, the South Lake Tahoe Police Department.

Appeal Procedure

Any person who is denied registration or whose registration is revoked may appeal to the Superintendent or principal by submitting, within five days after the person's departure from school, a written request for a hearing. This request must state why he/she believes the denial or revocation was improper and must provide an address to which the hearing notice may be sent. Upon receipt of the request for a hearing, the Superintendent or principal shall promptly mail a notice of the hearing to the person requesting it. A hearing before the Superintendent or principal shall be held within seven days after receipt of the request. (Penal Code 627.5)

ATTACHMENT 12
EMPLOYEE – PUPIL CODE OF CONDUCT
Board Policies 4119.21 and 5131

BP 4119.21 (Professional Standards – Personnel)

The Board of Education expects district employees to maintain the highest ethical standards, behave professionally, follow district policies and regulations, abide by state and federal laws, and exercise good judgment when interacting with students and other members of the school community. Employees shall engage in conduct that enhances the integrity of the district, advances the goals of the district's educational programs, and contributes to a positive school climate.

The Board encourages district employees to accept as guiding principles the professional standards and codes of ethics adopted by educational or professional associations to which they may belong.

Each employee is expected to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to fulfill his/her responsibilities and to contribute to the learning and achievement of district students.

Inappropriate Conduct

Inappropriate employee conduct includes, but is not limited to:

1. Engaging in any conduct that endangers students, staff, or others, including, but not limited to, physical violence, threats of violence, or possession of a firearm or other weapon
2. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior towards students, parents/guardians, staff, or community members, or failing or refusing to intervene when an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against a student is observed
3. Physically abusing, sexually abusing, neglecting, or otherwise willfully harming or injuring a child
4. Engaging in inappropriate socialization or fraternization with a student or soliciting, encouraging, or maintaining an inappropriate written, verbal, or physical relationship with a student
5. Possessing or viewing any pornography on school grounds, or possessing or viewing child pornography or other imagery portraying children in a sexualized manner at any time
6. Using profane, obscene, or abusive language against students, parents/guardians, staff, or community members
7. Willfully disrupting district or school operations by loud or unreasonable noise or other action
8. Using tobacco, alcohol, or an illegal or unauthorized substance, or possessing or distributing any controlled substance, while in the workplace, on district property, or at a school-sponsored activity
9. Being dishonest with students, parents/guardians, staff, or members of the public, including, but not limited to, falsifying information in employment records or other school records
10. Divulging confidential information about students, district employees, or district operations to persons or entities not authorized to receive the information
11. Using district equipment or other district resources for the employee's own commercial purposes or for political activities
12. Using district equipment or communications devices for personal purposes while on duty, except in an emergency, during scheduled work breaks, or for personal necessity

Employees shall be notified that computer files and all electronic communications, including, but not limited to, email and voice mail, are not private. To ensure proper use, the Superintendent or designee may monitor employee usage of district technological resources at any time without the employee's consent.

13. Causing damage to or engaging in theft of property belonging to students, staff, or the district
14. Wearing inappropriate attire

Reports of Misconduct

An employee who observes or has evidence of another employee's inappropriate conduct shall immediately report such conduct to the principal or Superintendent or designee. An employee who has knowledge of or suspects child abuse or neglect shall file a report pursuant to the district's child abuse reporting procedures as detailed in AR 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting.

Any reports of employee misconduct shall be promptly investigated. Any employee who is found to have engaged in inappropriate conduct in violation of law or Board policy shall be subject to disciplinary action and, in the case of a certificated employee, may be subject to a report to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement as appropriate.

An employee who has knowledge of but fails to report inappropriate employee conduct may also be subject to discipline.

The district prohibits retaliation against anyone who files a complaint against an employee or reports an employee's inappropriate conduct. Any employee who retaliates against any such complainant, reporter, or other participant in the district's complaint process shall be subject to discipline.

Notifications

The section(s) of the district's employee code of conduct addressing interactions with students shall be provided to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year and shall be posted on school and/or district web sites. (Education Code 44050)

BP 5131 (Student Conduct)

The Board of Education believes that all students have the right to be educated in a safe and positive learning environment free from disruptions. Students shall be expected to exhibit appropriate conduct that does not infringe upon the rights of others or interfere with the school program while on school grounds, going to or coming from school, at school activities, or using district transportation.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each school develops standards of conduct and discipline consistent with Board policies and administrative regulations. Students and parents/guardians shall be notified of district and school rules related to conduct.

Prohibited student conduct includes, but is not limited to:

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

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

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

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

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

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

ATTACHMENT 13
STUDENTS – INVOLUNTARY STUDENT TRANSFERS
Board Policy 5116.2 Involuntary Student Transfers

The Board of Education desires to enroll students in the school of their choice, but recognizes that circumstances sometimes necessitate the involuntary transfer of some students to another school or program in the district. The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to facilitate the transition of such students into their new school of enrollment.

As applicable, when determining the best placement for a student who is subject to involuntary transfer, the Superintendent or designee shall review all educational options for which the student is eligible, the student's academic progress and needs, the enrollment capacity at district schools, and the availability of support services and other resources.

Whenever a student is involuntarily transferred, the Superintendent or designee shall provide timely written notification to the student and his/her parent/guardian and an opportunity for the student and parent/guardian to meet with the Superintendent or designee to discuss the transfer.

Students Convicted of Violent Felony or Misdemeanor

A student may be transferred to another district school if he/she is convicted of a violent felony, as defined in Penal Code 667.5(c), or a misdemeanor listed in Penal Code 29805 and is enrolled at the same school as the victim of the crime for which he/she was convicted. (Education Code 48929)

Before transferring such a student, the Superintendent or designee shall attempt to resolve the conflict using restorative justice, counseling, or other such services. He/she shall also notify the student and his/her parents/guardians of the right to request a meeting with the principal or designee. (Education Code 48929)

Participation of the victim in any conflict resolution program shall be voluntary, and he/she shall not be subjected to any disciplinary action for his/her refusal to participate in conflict resolution.

The principal or designee shall submit to the Superintendent or designee a recommendation as to whether or not the student should be transferred. If the Superintendent or designee determines that a transfer would be in the best interest of the students involved, he/she shall submit such recommendation to the Board for approval.

The Board shall deliberate in closed session to maintain the confidentiality of student information, unless the parent/guardian or adult student submits a written request that the matter be addressed in open session and doing so would not violate the privacy rights of any other student. The Board's decision shall be final.

The decision to transfer a student shall be subject to periodic review by the Superintendent or designee.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify parents/guardians of the district's policy authorizing the transfer of a student pursuant to Education Code 48929. (Education Code 48980)

Other Involuntary Transfers

Students may be involuntarily transferred under either of the following circumstances:

1. If a high school student commits an act enumerated in Education Code 48900 or is habitually truant or irregular in school attendance, he/she may be transferred to a continuation school. (Education Code 48432.5)

(cf. 6184 - Continuation Education)

2. If a student is expelled from school for any reason, is probation-referred pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 300 or 602, or is referred by a school attendance review board or another formal district process, he/she may be transferred to a community day school. (Education Code 48662)



access to **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES** at school and in the community



ATTACHMENT 14

Lake Tahoe Unified School District understands that social-emotional well-being is an important part of a child's overall health. Within our commitment to support all students, several resources are in place to address the need for mental health services. Following are the contacts at each school site for mental health and intervention services and referrals:

Bijou Community School	(530) 543-2337 ext 1321	School Nurse
Lake Tahoe Environmental Magnet School	(530) 543-2371 ext 1452	School Nurse
Sierra House Elementary	(530) 543-2327 ext 1533	School Nurse
Tahoe Valley Elementary	(530) 543-2350 ext 1636	School Nurse
South Tahoe Middle School	(530) 541-6404 ext 1792	School Nurse
	ext 1783	Counselor (last name A-L)
	ext 1790	Counselor (last name M-Z)
South Tahoe High School	(530) 541-4111 ext 1833	School Nurse
	ext 1841	School Counseling Office
Mt. Tallac Continuation High School	(530) 543-2310 ext 1100	Counselor
LTUSD District Office	(530) 541-2850 ext 0	Homeless & Foster Youth Advocate

LTUSD is committed to its ongoing partnership with The Behavioral Health Network (BHN) of South Lake Tahoe as a means to better serve our community. BHN is comprised of over twenty organizations across the south shore who share a common goal to enhance the way individuals and families can access programs and services— a community-wide effort to improve access to mental health, substance use, and targeted social services so that anyone needing help can find assistance where and when they need it.

For a detailed list of service providers in our community, please visit:
www.ltusd.org/student_services/community_resources



LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Bus Rules and Regulations

Bus transportation is a privilege extended only to students who display good conduct while preparing to ride, riding or leaving the bus. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason for a student to be denied transportation.

Use of electronic devices is not allowed on the bus. Electronic devices may include, but not be limited to, laser pointers, net books, and Cell Phones

Students may only ride to and from school at their designated bus stop.
Exceptions will be made with a note from a parent or school administrator.



A partial list of Bus rules is posted in all buses.

Students not following the rules will be disciplined by use of verbal warnings, followed by our written citation process. We have camera systems on most buses that record behavior, both audio and visual.

Students may be removed from the bus for the remainder of the school year for serious or continued misbehavior.

If a parent wishes to view their child's behavior on the bus, via video, please contact your school site principal/vice-principal to set up a meeting.

Any questions may be directed to Transportation Supervisor
Coral Lathrop alathrop@ltusd.org 530-543-2218



LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SNOW DAY POLICIES

www.ltusd.org

OR CALL THE SNOWLINE FOR
INFORMATION
530-541-4636 x-3

Our local Radio station KRLT, 93.9 FM
as well as TV stations in Reno and
Sacramento will be notified if All Schools are
Closed.

CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

There will be times during the year when, under existing conditions, City, County and State Road Departments cannot clear the roads in time to start school. In addition, when power failures occur, school cannot be held because all our heating systems require electricity.

During storms, our maintenance crews are normally plowing school areas by 4:00 am. In addition, Transportation travels the roads throughout the District between 4:00 am and 5:00 am. A decision will usually be made by 5:45 am as to whether or not buses will be able to safely travel bus routes.

NOTIFICATION OF PARENTS

Snow day information will be updated on the LTUSD web site by 6:00am.

We will use the Notification system in Aeries Portal, to update each home in the district by telephone, text or email if schools will be CLOSED, or any other urgent school information.

You control how you want to be notified in your Aeries Parent Portal notification

YOU ARE EARNESTLY REQUESTED NOT TO CALL THE RADIO/TV STATIONS, as the announcer cannot answer the telephone and man the station at the same time.

It is seldom practical to notify you on the previous night, often what looks hopeless at midnight is plowed by morning, and sometimes what looks good at midnight is hopeless by morning!

VARIATIONS IN WEATHER CONDITION

There will be times when school will be closed, though your area appears clear. Snow conditions vary widely throughout the District. Our decision must be based on the overall condition of the District, which must be operated as a unit for legal reasons. We assure you that school will be held whenever possible; it is highly inconvenient and costly to the District not to conduct classes.



EARLY DISMISSAL

There may be days when school must be dismissed early because of weather conditions or power failure. We will the Aeries Communications, to update each home in the District. Please update your information, if necessary to ensure you will be notified. Please listen to the radio on all days of unusually severe weather, especially on days when weather conditions become worse as the day progresses.

School buses will take children to the regular stops on these days, UNLESS YOU ARE NOTIFIED OF EXCEPTIONS BY Aeries communications. (Please make plans in advance for such days if you cannot be at home, and discuss these plans with your children so that they know what to do and where to go.)

If you feel it is necessary to pick up your child on these days, please do not block the normal bus loading zones. Park in the regular vehicle parking spaces; rather than at the bus loading curb.

BUS ROUTES

On occasion, stalled vehicles or other temporary conditions will make the following of normal routes impossible, even though things may have been clear earlier in the day. When this occurs on the trip home, students will be dropped off as near to the regular bus stop as is possible.

On days when school is held and snow conditions are heavy, please ALLOW EXTRA TIME FOR BUS DELAY, due to road conditions.

PARENTS WHO TAKE PUPILS TO SCHOOL

If you normally take your child to school, please be sure that SCHOOL IS BEING HELD before delivering your child to school. A child dropped off at the corner to walk even a short distance to a closed school is exposed unnecessarily to danger.

CONDUCT

Student behavior on school buses is usually very good. However, there are times when standards slip. Throwing snowballs in or from the school buses is EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS and can jeopardize the safety of other students. Please emphasize to your children the dangers to themselves, the busload of children, and other individuals or vehicles of throwing anything while on a school bus.

SNOW DAY MAKE UP

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT

LTESMS	543-2371
Bijou	543-2337
Sierra House	543-2327
Tahoe Valley	543-2350
STMS	541-6404
STHS	541-4111

There are three (3) snow days built into the calendar. Should we exceed three days, they will be added at the end of the school year. Should we not use the three days built into the Calendar, school will close earlier than scheduled.

Attachment 16

School Safety Legislation: Firearms

There is an urgent need to ensure parent and guardian responsibility for the safe storage of firearms and prevention of access to firearms. It is also critically important for all schools, districts, and county offices of education to engage multidisciplinary behavioral threat assessment teams to assist in identifying student behavior that could lead to homicidal incidents, to intervene swiftly and effectively to prevent such disasters, and to address identified mental health needs of students.

Two bills were legislated in response to the alarming increase in school shootings in California and throughout the United States, some of which are committed by children who have access to firearms and whose actions have led to injuries and deaths that could have been prevented.

This communication provides an overview of the new laws and a link to model content for parent and guardian notification of California laws regarding safe storage of firearms and prevention of child access to weapons.

The California Legislature (Assembly Bill 452, Section 1, 2023) has found and declared:

- Guns are the third leading cause of death of children in America. Every day, eight children and teens are shot in instances of family fire, which is a shooting involving an improperly stored or misused gun found in the home resulting in injury or death.
- Data show that 75 percent of school shootings are facilitated by children having access to unsecured or unsupervised firearms at home. Eighty-seven percent of children know where their parents' firearms are stored, and 60 percent report that they have handled them.
- Over 80 percent of teens who have died by suicide used a firearm that belonged to someone in their home.

Assembly Bill 452—Pupil Safety: Parental Notification, Firearm Safety Laws

Section 48986 has been added to the California *Education Code (EC)* and requires that beginning on July 1, 2023, **all kindergarten through grade twelve school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools** shall annually inform parents and guardians of California's child access prevention laws and laws relating to the safe storage of firearms at the beginning of the first semester or quarter of the regular school term. You will find Assembly Bill 452 on the California Legislative Information web page at https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB452.

Senate Bill 906—School Safety: Homicide Threats

Sections 49390 through 49395 have been added to the *EC*. This bill seeks to address homicidal threats in middle and high schools and applies only to local educational agencies that serve pupils in any grades from six through twelve as part of a middle school or high school. Local educational agencies serving these pupils must include information about child access prevention laws and laws relating to the safe storage of firearms in the annual notifications to parents/guardians at the beginning of the first semester or quarter of the regular school term. The law states that school officials are required to report homicidal threats or perceived threats, as defined, to law enforcement, who must conduct an immediate investigation and threat assessment, as defined. You will find Senate Bill 906 on the California Legislative Information web page at

https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB906.

Parent/guardian annual notification that satisfies the model content requirement of Assembly Bill 452 and Senate Bill 906 is available in English and Spanish on the California Department of Education's (CDE's) Violence Prevention web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/lr/ss/vp/>.

It is our collective responsibility to ensure that students, staff, families, and communities are as prepared and safe as possible. Thank you for your attention and commitment to school safety.

If you have any questions, please contact the CDE School Health and Safety Office at SHSO@cde.ca.gov.