

Ventura USD

Board Policy

Tobacco-Free Schools

BP 3513.3

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Governing Board recognizes the health hazards associated with smoking and the use of tobacco products, including the breathing of second-hand smoke, and desires to provide a healthy environment for students and staff.

(cf. 4159/4259/4359 - Employee Assistance Programs)

(cf. 5131.62 - Tobacco)

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

The Board prohibits the use of tobacco products at any time in district-owned or leased buildings, on district property and in district vehicles. (Health and Safety Code 104420; Labor Code 6404.5; 20 USC 6083)

This prohibition applies to all employees, students and visitors at any instructional program, activity or athletic event.

Smoking or use of any tobacco-related products and disposal of any tobacco-related waste are prohibited within 25 feet of any playground, except on a public sidewalk located within 25 feet of the playground. (Health and Safety Code 104495)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48900 Grounds for suspension/expulsion

48901 Prohibition against tobacco use by students

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

39002 Control of air pollution from nonvehicular sources

104350-104495 Tobacco use prevention, especially:

104495 Prohibition of smoking and tobacco waste on playgrounds

LABOR CODE

6404.5 Occupational safety and health: use of tobacco products

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6083 Nonsmoking policy for children's services

7111-7117 Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act

PERB RULINGS

Eureka Teachers Assn v. Eureka City School District (1992) PERB Order #955 (16 PERC

23168)

CSEA #506 and Associated Teachers of Metropolitan Riverside v. Riverside Unified School District (1989) PERB Order #750 (13 PERC 20147)

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

California Department of Public Health, Tobacco Control:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tobacco>

Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/oshsb.html>

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

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