

Maricopa Unified School District Board Policy

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Disruptions

BP 3515.2

The Governing Board is committed to providing a safe environment for district students, staff, and others while they are on district property or engaged in school activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall remove any individual who, by his/her presence or action, disrupts or threatens to disrupt normal district or school operations, threatens the health or safety of anyone on district property, or causes or threatens to cause damage to district property or to any property on school grounds.

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)
(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)
(cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a plan describing staff responsibilities and actions to be taken when an individual is causing a disruption. In developing such a plan, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with law enforcement to create guidelines for law enforcement support and intervention in the event of a disruption.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to school staff on how to identify and respond to actions or situations that may constitute a disruption.

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

Any employee who believes that a disruption may occur shall immediately contact the principal. The principal or designee shall notify law enforcement in accordance with Education Code 48902 and 20 USC 7151 and in other situations, as appropriate.

Safe School Zone

Possession of a firearm within 1000 feet of any district school is prohibited except when authorized by law. (Penal Code 626.9)

Possession of any other unauthorized weapon or dangerous instrument is prohibited on school grounds or buses and at school-related or school-sponsored activities without the written permission of school authorities.

(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

32210 Willful disturbance of public school or meeting, misdemeanor
32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; misdemeanor
35160 Authority of governing boards
44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct
44811 Disruption of classwork or extracurricular activities
48902 Notification of law enforcement authorities
51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device

PENAL CODE

243.5 Assault or battery on school property
415.5 Disturbance of peace of school
626-626.11 Schools, crimes, especially:
626.7 Failure to leave campus or facility; wrongful return; penalties; notice; exceptions
626.8 Disruptive presence at schools
626.81 Misdemeanor for registered sex offender to come onto school grounds
626.85 Misdemeanor for specified drug offender presence on school grounds
626.9 Gun Free School Zone Act
627-627.10 Access to school premises
653b Loitering about schools or public places
12556 Imitation firearms

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

7151 Gun-Free Schools Act

COURT DECISIONS

Reeves v. Rocklin Unified School District, (2003) 109 Cal.App.4th 652
In Re Joseph F., (2000) 85 Cal.App.4th 975
In Re Jimi A., (1989) 209 Cal.App.3d 482
In Re Oscar R., (1984) 161 Cal. App.3d 770

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

79 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 58 (1996)

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

911! A Manual for Schools and the Media During a Campus Crisis, 2001

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Practical Information on Crisis Planning: A Guide for Schools and Communities, May 2003

WEB SITES

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

California Department of Education, Safe Schools Office: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/lc/ss>

U.S. Department of Education, Emergency Planning:

<http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan>

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Administrative Regulation

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The principal or designee may direct any person, except a student, school employee, or other person required by his/her employment to be on school grounds, to leave school grounds or school activity if:

1. The principal or designee has reasonable basis for concluding that the person is committing or has entered the campus with the purpose of committing an act which is likely to interfere with the peaceful conduct, discipline, good order, or administration of the school or a school activity, or with the intent of inflicting damage to any person or property. (Education Code 44810, 44811; Penal Code 626.7)
2. The person fights or challenges another person to a fight, willfully disturbs another person by loud and unreasonable noise, or uses offensive language which could provoke a violent reaction. (Penal Code 415.5)
3. The person loiters around a school without lawful business for being present or reenters a school within 72 hours after he/she was asked to leave. (Penal Code 653b)
4. The person is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290 and does not have a lawful purpose and written permission from the principal or designee to be on school grounds. (Penal Code 626.81)

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)
(cf. 3515.5 - Sex Offender Notification)

5. The person is a specified drug offender as defined in Penal Code 626.85 and does not have written permission from the principal or designee to be on school grounds. However, such specified drug offender may be on school grounds during any school activity if he/she is a student or the parent/guardian of a student attending the school. (Penal Code 626.85)
6. The person willfully or knowingly creates a disruption with the intent to threaten the immediate physical safety of any student in grades K-8 while attending, arriving at, or leaving school. (Penal Code 626.8)
7. The person has otherwise established a continued pattern of unauthorized entry on school grounds. (Penal Code 626.8)

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)
(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

The principal or designee shall allow a parent/guardian who was previously directed to leave school grounds to reenter for the purpose of retrieving his/her child for disciplinary reasons, medical attention, or family emergencies, or with the principal or designee's prior written permission. (Penal Code 626.7, 626.85)

When directing any person to leave school premises, the principal or designee shall inform the person that he/she may be guilty of a crime if he/she:

1. Fails to leave or remains after being directed to leave (Penal Code 626.7, 626.8, 626.85)
2. Returns to the campus without following the school's posted registration requirements (Penal Code 626.7)
3. Returns within seven days after being directed to leave (Penal Code 626.8, 626.85)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Appeal Procedure

Any person who is asked to leave a school building or grounds may appeal to the Superintendent or designee. This appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the person has departed from the school building or grounds. After reviewing the matter with the principal or designee and the person making the appeal, the Superintendent or designee shall render his/her decision within 24 hours after the appeal is made, and this decision shall be binding. (Education Code 32211)

The decision of the Superintendent or designee may be appealed to the Governing Board. Such an appeal shall be made no later than the second school day after the Superintendent or designee has rendered his/her decision. The Board shall consider and decide the appeal at its next scheduled regular or adjourned regular public meeting. The Board's decision shall be final. (Education Code 32211)

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