Community Relations

Volunteer Assistance

The Board of Education encourages parents/guardians and other members of the community to share their time, knowledge and abilities with our students. Community volunteers in our schools should enrich the educational program and strengthen our schools' relationships with homes, businesses, public agencies and private institutions. By their presence in and out of the classroom, volunteers also can help keep the schools more closely supervised.

The Superintendent or designee may authorize the use of volunteers and may require tuberculosis testing and fingerprinting of volunteers. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to protect the safety of both students and volunteers. Volunteers shall act in accordance with District policies and regulations. (cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 1230 - School-Connected Organizations) (cf. 4127 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches)

The primary responsibility for everyday upkeep of the schools and grounds rests with the District's classified employees. The Board, nevertheless, encourages volunteers to assist on short-term projects to the extent that they enhance the classroom or school, meet a specific need, comply with established building and safety codes, do not significantly increase maintenance workloads and comply with District commitments and contracts.

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for investigating and resolving complaints regarding volunteers. (cf. 6144 - Controversial Issues)

(Legal Reference next page)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 35021 Volunteer aides
- 44227.5 Classroom participation by college level teaching methodology faculty
- 44814 Duty-free lunch periods
- 44815 Noncertificated supervision
- 45125 Fingerprinting requirements
- 45344.5 Instructional aide; proficiency in basic skills
- 45347 Instructional aides as classified employees
- 45349 Volunteers
- 49406 Examination for tuberculosis

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 3100-3109 Oath or affirmation of allegiance
- 3543.5 Prohibited interference with employees' rights
- 96100-96114 Academic Volunteer and Mentor Service Act of 1992

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

- 1596.871 Fingerprints of individuals in contact with child day care facility clients
- 3454 Volunteers; certificates on file

LABOR CODE

3364.5 Persons performing voluntary services for school districts

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

18168 Personnel duties with infants and toddlers

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

101170Criminal record clearance

62 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 325 (1979)

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