COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION

The Governing Board believes that health education should foster the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that students need in order to lead healthy lives and avoid high-risk behaviors. The district's health education program shall be part of a coordinated school health system which supports the well-being of students and is linked to district and community services and resources.

Goals for the district's health education program shall be designed to promote student wellness and shall include, but not be limited to, goals for nutrition education and physical activity.

The district shall provide a planned, sequential, research-based, and developmentally appropriate health education curriculum for students in grades K-12 which is aligned with the state's content standards and curriculum framework. The Superintendent or designee shall determine the grade levels and subject areas in which health-related topics will be addressed, in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall involve school administrators, teachers, school nurses, health professionals representing various fields of health care, parents/guardians, community-based organizations, and other community members in the development, implementation, and evaluation of the district's health education program. Health and safety professionals may be invited to provide related instruction in the classroom, school assemblies, and other instructional settings.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide professional development as needed to ensure that health education teachers are knowledgeable about academic content standards and effective instructional methodologies.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide periodic reports to the Board regarding the implementation and effectiveness of the district's health education program which may include, but not be limited to, a description of the district's program and the extent to which it is aligned with the state's content standards and curriculum framework, the amount of time allotted for health instruction at each grade level, and student achievement of district standards for health education.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

EDUCATION CODE

8850.5	Family relationships and parenting education
35183.5	Sun protection
49413	First aid training
49430-49434	Pupil Nutrition, Health and Achievement Act of 2001
49490-49494	School breakfast and lunch programs
49500-49505	School meals
51202	Instruction in personal and public health and safety
51203	Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and dangerous drugs
51210	Areas of study
51210.8	State content standards for health education
51220.5	Parenting skills; areas of instruction

INSTRUCTION

51260-51269	Drug education
51513	Personal beliefs
51880-51881.5	Health education, legislative findings and intent
51890-51891	Comprehensive health education programs
51913	District health education plan
51920	Inservice training, health education
51930-51939	Comprehensive sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention education

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

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