

FEES AND CHARGES

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to ensure that books, materials, equipment, supplies, and other resources necessary for students' participation in the educational program are made available to them **at no cost**. No student shall be required to pay any fees, deposits, or other charges for his/her participation in an educational activity which constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities.

(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)
(cf. 3100 - Budget)
(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

The prohibition against student fees shall not restrict the district from soliciting the voluntary donations, participating in fundraising activities, and providing prizes or other recognition for participants in such activities and events. However, the district shall not offer or award to a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities in exchange for voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student and shall not remove, or threaten to remove, from a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities, or otherwise discriminate against the student, due to a lack of voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student.

(cf. 1321 – Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)
(cf. 3290 – Gifts, Grants and Bequests)

As necessary, the Board may approve fees, deposits, and other charges which are specifically authorized by law. For such authorized fees, deposits, and charges, the district shall consider students' and parents/guardians' ability to pay when establishing fee schedules and granting waivers or exceptions.

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)
(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 5143 - Insurance)
(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

Whenever a student or parent/guardian believes that an impermissible fee, deposit, or other charge is being required of the student for his/her participation in an educational activity, the student or his/her parent/guardian may file a complaint with the principal or designee using the district's procedures in BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 49013)

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The Superintendent or designee shall include information in the annual notification required by 5 CCR 4622 to be provided to all district students, parents/guardians, employees, and other interested parties about the requirements relating to the prohibition against districts requiring students to pay fees, deposits or other charges in order to participate in an educational activity, unless authorized by law, and the filing of complaints for alleged violations using the uniform complaint procedures. (Education Code 49013)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8239 *Preschool and wraparound child care services*
8263 *Child care eligibility*
8760-8773 *Outdoor science and conservation programs*
17551 *Property fabricated by students*
19910-19911 *Offenses against libraries*
32033 *Eye protective devices*
32221 *Insurance for athletic team member*
32390 *Fingerprinting program*
35330-35332 *Excursions and field trips*
35335 *School camp programs*
38080-38085 *Cafeteria establishment and use*
38120 *Use of school band equipment on excursions to foreign countries*
39807.5 *Payment of transportation costs*
39837 *Transportation of students to places of summer employment*
48050 *Residents of adjoining states*
48052 *Tuition for foreign residents*
48904 *Liability of parent or guardian*
49010-49013 *Student fees*
49065 *Charge for copies*
49066 *Grades, effect of physical education class apparel*
49091.14 *Prospectus of school curriculum*
51810-51815 *Community service classes*
52612 *Tuition for adult classes*
52613 *Nonimmigrant aliens*
60410 *Students in classes for adults*

GOVERNMENT CODE

6253 *Request for copy; fee*

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 9, Section 5 *Common school system*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

350 *Fees not permitted*

4622 *Notice*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 8

1184 *Foreign students*

COURT DECISIONS

Driving School Assn of CA v. San Mateo Union HSD (1993) 11 Cal. App. 4th 1513

Arcadia Unified School District v. State Department of Education (1992) 2 Cal 4th 251

Steffes v. California Interscholastic Federation (1986) 176 Cal. App. 3d 739

Hartzell v. Connell (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899

CTA v. Glendale School District Board of Education (1980) 109 Cal. App. 3d 738

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES

1030.97 Fiscal Management Advisory 97-02: Fees, Deposits and Other Charges

WEB SITES

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

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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