#### **Aromas-San Juan Unified School District**

## Annual Notification to Parents and Guardians 2021-2022 School Year

#### This booklet has been assembled to provide parents and guardians with the following:

- ✓ Aromas-San Juan Unified School District Board Meeting Information
- ✓ Contact Information
- ✓ School Rules
- ✓ Attendance Policy
- ✓ Notice of Alternative Schools
- ✓ Discipline Policy
- ✓ Student Services
- ✓ Health Services
- ✓ Curriculum and Personal Beliefs
- ✓ School Records and Student Achievement
- ✓ University Admissions
- ✓ Due Process Protections and Complaints
- ✓ Sexual Harassment Policy
- ✓ Other Miscellaneous Information
- ✓ School District Calendar 2021-2022
- ✓ Application for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals or Free Milk for School Year 2021-2022

## <u>Please sign and return to the school office within one week of receipt the following forms</u> which are inserted herein:

- Acknowledgement of Receipt of Annual Notification to Parents 2021-2022
- > Photographs, Films, Slides, Internet, Video and Audio Tape Recordings Release
- California Healthy Kids Survey Opt-Out (optional)
- User Application and Waiver for Computer Network Services 2021-2022
- Acknowledgement of Receipt and Agreement to Follow Bus Rules
- Parent or Student Consent Form for Release of Student Name, Address, and Telephone Number
- Application for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals or Free Milk for School Year 2021-2022 (optional and may be submitted at any time)

Thank you for your attention to the contents of this booklet and prompt return of the inserted forms.

## Aromas-San Juan Unified School District Board Meetings

Citizen oversight of local government is the cornerstone of democracy in the United States. The Aromas-San Juan Unified School District Board of Trustees is comprised of five school board members who are locally elected public officials entrusted with governing the District's schools. Public meetings of the board are held on a regular basis to hear, discuss, and act on agenda items pertaining to the governance of the District. Please refer to the District's website for board meeting agendas, dates, and locations (<u>www.asjusd.k12.ca.us</u>). Members of the public are welcome to attend these meetings and offer comments during the public comments timeframe of each agenda.

#### **Contact Information**

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The references at the end of the sections in this booklet include the following codes:

BP . . . . District Board Policy FAC . . . . Food and Agriculture Code

AR . . . . Administrative Regulation USC . . . . United States Code

EC . . . . Education Code CFR . . . . Code of Federal Regulations

HSC . . . Health and Safety Code ESEA . . . Elementary and Secondary Education Act

PC . . . . Penal Code PPRA . . . Pupil Privacy Rights Amendment

WIC . . . Welfare and Institutions Code FERPA . . Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act CCR . . . California Code of Regulations PPACA . . Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

CC . . . . Civil Code Title VI . . Title VI (or VII, or IX) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

FC .... Family Code IDEA. ... Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

GC . . . . Government Code § 504 . . . Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

VC . . . . Vehicle Code EOA . . . . Equal Opportunities Act

BPC . . . Business and Professions Code CIF . . . . . California Interscholastic Federation

#### **SCHOOL RULES**

You have a right to review school and district rules regarding student discipline. If you wish to do so, please contact the school office. [EC 35291, 48980, 51101]

#### Bus Rules

Because school bus passengers' behavior can directly affect their safety and the safety of others, the following regulations apply at all times when students are riding a school bus, including school activity trips.

- 1. Riders shall follow the instructions and directions of the bus driver at all times.
- 2. Riders should arrive at the bus stop on time and stand in a safe place to wait quietly for the bus.
- 3. Riders shall enter the bus in an orderly manner and go directly to their seats.
- 4. Riders shall remain seated while the bus is in motion and shall not obstruct the aisle with their legs, feet, or other objects. When reaching their destination, riders shall remain seated until the bus stops and only then enter the aisle and go directly to the exit.
- 5. Riders should be courteous to the driver and to fellow passengers.
- 6. Because serious safety hazards can result from noise or behavior that distracts the driver, loud talking, laughing, yelling, singing, whistling, scuffling, fighting, throwing objects, smoking, eating, drinking, standing and changing seats are prohibited actions which may lead to suspension of riding privileges.
- 7. No part of the body, hands, arms or head should be put out of the window. Nothing should be thrown from the bus.
- 8. Riders shall help keep the bus and the area around the bus stop clean. Riders shall not damage or deface the bus or tamper with bus equipment.
- No animals shall be allowed on the bus, except Guide Dogs, Signal Dogs, and Service Dogs, without express permission from the principal or designee.
- 10. Riders should be alert for traffic when leaving the bus.

#### Penalties for Inappropriate Behavior

<u>1st Citation:</u> The first citation is only a WARNING that the noted behavior problem has occurred. This citation must be signed by the parent/guardian and returned to the bus driver the next morning in order

for the student to ride the bus. If the first citation is for a serious infraction which endangers life or limb of any person, an immediate parent/guardian conference will be required before the student may resume riding the bus.

2nd Citation: The second citation will bring
DISCIPLINARY ACTION and possible suspension of
bus riding privileges from 1-5 days. Parent/guardian
must contact either the bus driver, the child's
principal, or the transportation manager to see
if a solution to the problem can be reached. If no
contact is made with one of these staff members,
the student will not be allowed to ride the bus.

3rd Citation: The third citation may bring from 1 day to COMPLETE SUSPENSION from riding the bus. Parent/guardian must meet with the bus driver, transportation manager, principal, and superintendent to work out proper corrective measures if the student is to be allowed to ride the bus after the suspension period.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### ■ Attendance Options

The governing board annually reviews attendance options including how students may attend a district school outside their attendance area (intra-district transfer). This district has non-arbitrary rules explaining how students may apply, be accepted or denied intradistrict transfer. Students convicted of a violent felony or convicted of a misdemeanor firearms offense may be transferred to another school in the district. Many districts, by agreement, also allow the transfer of students from or to other districts (inter-district transfer). Victims of bullying or violence are given preference in intra- and inter-district transfers. In some cases, the district must provide transportation. Students attending "persistently dangerous" schools can transfer and enroll in a safe school. Districts cannot prevent children of active military from changing districts, as long as the district chosen agrees to accept them. Upon enrollment or transfer, principals are urged to check missing children information. Further information about residency, attendance options, special program options, etc. will be provided by the California Department of Education. [EC 46600, 48204, 48204.7, 48206.3, 48300, 48301, 48306, 48853.5,

48980, 49068, 51101; 20 USC 7912; BP 5116.2 March 2017]

#### I. Intradistrict Open Enrollment:

The Board of Trustees desires to provide enrollment options that meet the diverse needs and interests of district students and parents/guardians, while also maximizing the efficient use of district facilities and resources. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the selection and transfer of students among district schools in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

The parents/guardians of any student who resides within district boundaries may apply to enroll their child in any district school, regardless of the location of their residence within the district. The Board shall annually review this policy.

#### **Enrollment Priorities**

No student currently residing within a school's attendance area shall be displaced by another student transferring from outside the attendance area.

The Superintendent or designee shall grant priority for the enrollment of a student in a district school outside of the student's attendance area, if the student:

- Is enrolled in a district school designated by the California Department of Education (CDE) as "persistently dangerous"
- 2. Is a victim of a violent crime while on school grounds
- Is a victim of an act of bullying committed by another district student, as determined through an investigation following the parent/guardian's submission of a written com-plaint with the school, district, or local law enforcement agency pursuant to Education Code 234.1

If the district school requested by the student is at maximum capacity, the Superintendent or designee shall accept an intradistrict transfer request for another district school.

- Is currently enrolled in a district school identified by CDE for comprehensive support and improvement, with priority given to the lowest academically achieving students from low-income families as determined pursuant to 20 USC 6313(a)(3)
- Is experiencing special circumstances that might be harmful or dangerous to the student in the current attendance area, including, but not limited to, threats of bodily harm or threats to the emotional

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stability of the student. Any such student may transfer to a district school that is at capacity and otherwise closed to transfers. To grant priority under these circumstances, the Superintendent or designee must have received either:

- a. A written statement from a representative of an appropriate state or local agency, including, but not necessarily limited to, a law enforcement official or a social worker, or a properly licensed or registered professional, including, but not necessarily limited to, a psychiatrist, psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical social worker, or professional clinical counselor
- A court order, including a temporary restraining order and injunction
- 6. Is a sibling of another student already attending that school
- 7. Has a parent/guardian whose primary place of employment is that school

#### **Application and Selection Process**

In order to ensure that priorities for enrollment in district schools are implemented in accordance with law and Board policy, applications for intradistrict open enrollment shall be submitted by March 1st of the school year preceding the school year for which the transfer is requested.

The Superintendent or designee shall calculate each school's capacity in a nonarbitrary manner using student enrollment and available space.

Except for the enrollment priorities listed above, the Superintendent or designee shall use a random, unbiased selection process to determine which students shall be admitted whenever a district school receives admission requests that are in excess of the school's capacity.

Enrollment decisions shall not be based on a student's academic or athletic performance. However, existing entrance criteria may be used for enrolling students in specialized schools or programs, provided that the criteria are uniformly applied to all applicants. In addition, academic performance may be used to determine eligibility for, or placement in, programs for gifted and talented students.

#### **Transportation**

In general, the district shall not be obligated to provide transportation for students who attend school outside their attendance area.

However, upon parent/guardian request, the district shall provide transportation assistance to any student who is eligible for free or reduced-price meals and whose enrollment in a district school outside the student's attendance area is a result of being a victim of bullying. [BP 5116.1 February 2020; EC 200, 35160.5, 35291, 35351, 46600-46611, 48200, 48204, 48300-48316, 48980; 5 CCR 11992-11994; 20 USC 6311, 6313, 7912]

#### 2. Interdistrict Attendance:

The Board of Trustees recognizes that parents/ guardians of students who reside within the geographic boundaries of one district may, for a variety of reasons, desire to enroll their children in a school in another district.

#### Interdistrict Attendance Agreements and Permits

The Board may enter into an agreement with any other school district, for a term not to exceed five school years, for the interdistrict attendance of students who are residents of the districts.

The agreement shall specify the terms and conditions under which interdistrict attendance shall be permitted or denied. It also may contain standards agreed upon by both districts for reapplication and/or revocation of the student's permit.

Upon receiving a permit for transfer into the district that has been approved by the student's district of residence, or upon receiving a written request from the parent/guardian of a district student who wishes to enroll in another district, the Superintendent or designee shall review the request and may approve or deny the permit subject to the terms and conditions of the interdistrict attendance agreement.

#### **Transportation**

Upon parent/guardian request, the district shall provide transportation assistance to a student receiving an interdistrict transfer who is eligible for free and reduced-price meals and is the child of an active duty military parent/guardian or a victim of bullying, as defined in Education Code 46600.

In addition, upon request of a student's parent/guardian, the Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation for any interdistrict transfer student to and from designated bus stops within the attendance area of the school that the student attends if space is available. [BP 5117 February 2020; EC 8151, 41020, 46600-46610, 48204, 48300-48317, 48900,

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48915, 48915.1, 48918, 48980, 48985, 52317; CA Constitution Article 1, Section 31

## Administrative Regulation – Interdistrict Attendance Agreements and Permits

In accordance with an agreement between the Board of Trustees and the board of another district, a permit authorizing a student of either district to enroll in the other district may be issued upon approval of both districts.

The district shall post on its web site the procedures and timelines for requesting an interdistrict transfer permit, including a link to BP 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance. The posted information shall include, but is not limited to:

- The date upon which the district will begin accepting and processing interdistrict transfer requests for the following school year
- 2. The reasons for which the district may approve or deny a request, and any information or documents that must be submitted as supporting evidence
- 3. If applicable, the process and timelines by which a denial of a request may be appealed within the district before the district renders a final decision
- 4. A statement that failure of a parent/guardian to meet any timelines established by the district shall be deemed an abandonment of the request
- 5. Applicable timelines for processing a request, including the following statements:
  - a. For an interdistrict transfer request received by the district 15 or fewer calendar days before the commencement of instruction in the school year for which the transfer is sought, the district will notify the parent/guardian of its final decision within 30 calendar days from the date the request was received.
  - b. For an interdistrict transfer request received by the district more than 15 days before the commencement of instruction in the school year for which the inter-district transfer is sought, the district will notify the parent/guardian of its final decision as soon as possible, but no later than 14 calendar days after the commencement of instruction in the school year for which transfer is sought.
- 6. The conditions under which an existing interdistrict transfer permit may be revoked or rescinded

Priority for interdistrict attendance shall be given to a student who has been determined, through an investigation by either the district of residence or district of proposed enrollment, to be a victim of an act of bullying, as defined in Education Code 48900(r), committed by a student of the district of residence.

Until the district is at maximum capacity, the district shall accept any student whose interdistrict transfer application is based on being the victim of an act of bullying or a child of an active duty military parent/guardian. The district shall ensure that such students are admitted through an unbiased process that prohibits an inquiry into or evaluation or consideration of whether or not a student should be enrolled based on academic or athletic performance, physical condition, proficiency in English, family income, or any of the individual characteristics set forth in Education Code 220, including, but not limited to, race or ethnicity, gender, gender identity, gender expression, and immigration status.

In addition, the Superintendent or designee may approve an interdistrict attendance permit for a student for any of the following reasons when stipulated in the agreement:

- To meet the child care needs of the student, only as long as the student's child care provider remains within district boundaries
- To meet the student's special mental or physical health needs as certified by a physician, school psychologist, or other appropriate school personnel
- When the student has a sibling attending school in the receiving district, to avoid split-ting the family's attendance
- 4. To allow the student to complete a school year when the student's parents/guardians have moved out of the district during that year
- To allow the student to remain with a class graduating that year from an elementary, middle, or senior high school
- To allow a high school senior to attend the same school attended as a junior, even if the student's family moved out of the district during the junior year
- When the parent/guardian provides written evidence that the family will be moving into the district in the immediate future and would like the student to start the school year in the district

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- 8. When the student will be living out of the district for one year or less
- 9. When recommended by the school attendance review board or by county child welfare, probation, or social service agency staff in documented cases of serious home or community problems which make it inadvisable for the student to attend the school of residence
- 10. When there is valid interest in a particular educational program not offered in the district of residence
- 11. To provide a change in school environment for reasons of personal and social adjustment

The Superintendent or designee may deny initial requests for interdistrict attendance permits due to limited district resources, overcrowding of school facilities at the relevant grade level, or other considerations that are not arbitrary. However, once a student is admitted, the district shall not deny continued attendance because of overcrowded facilities at the relevant grade level.

If the transfer request is for a school year that begins within 15 calendar days of the receipt of the request, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of the final decision within 30 calendar days of receiving the request. If the transfer request is for a school year that begins more than 15 calendar days after the receipt of the request, the parent/guardian shall be notified of the final decision as soon as possible, but no later than 14 calendar days after the commencement of instruction during that school year.

If a student's interdistrict transfer request is denied, the Superintendent or designee shall, in writing, notify the parents/guardians of their right to appeal to the County Board of Education within 30 calendar days from the date of the final denial.

All notices to parents/guardians regarding the district's decision on any request for interdistrict transfer shall conform to the translation requirements of Education Code 48985, and may be provided by regular mail, electronic format if the parent/guardian provides an email address, or by any other method normally used to communicate with parents/guardians in writing.

Pending a decision by the two districts or by the County Board on appeal, the Superintendent or designee may provisionally admit a student who resides in another district for a period not to exceed two school

months, provided the district is the district of proposed enrollment. If the decision has not been rendered by the conclusion of two school months and the districts or County Board is still operating within the prescribed timelines, the student shall not be allowed to continue attending the district school to which the student was provisionally admitted.

Students who are under consideration for expulsion or who have been expelled may not appeal interdistrict attendance denials or rescissions while expulsion proceedings are pending or during the term of the expulsion.

Once a student is admitted to a school on the basis of an interdistrict attendance permit, the student shall not be required to reapply for an interdistrict transfer and shall be allowed to continue to attend the school of enrollment, unless reapplication standards are otherwise specified in the interdistrict attendance agreement. Existing interdistrict attendance permits shall not be rescinded after June 30 following a student's completion of grade 10 or for any student entering grade 11 or 12 in the subsequent school year.

#### **Transfers Out of the District**

A student whose parent/guardian is in active military duty shall not be prohibited from transferring out of the district, provided the school district of proposed enrollment approves the application for transfer.

If the district is unable to provide an intradistrict transfer to a student who is a victim of an act of bullying, as defined in Education Code 46600, the district shall not prohibit the student from transferring out of the district if the district of proposed enrollment approves the application for transfer.

The district may limit transfers out of the district to a school district of choice under any of the following circumstances:

- The number of student transfers out of the district to a school district of choice has reached the limit specified in Education Code 48307 based on the district's average daily attendance.
- The County Superintendent of Schools has given the district a negative budget certification or has determined that the district will not meet the state's standards and criteria for fiscal stability in the subsequent fiscal year exclusively as a result of student transfers from this district to a school district of choice.

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- 3. The Board determines that the transfer would negatively impact any of the following:
  - a. A court-ordered desegregation plan
  - A voluntary desegregation plan of the district, consistent with the California Constitution, Article 1, Section 31
  - c. The racial and ethnic balance of the district, consistent with the California Constitution, Article 1, Section 31 [AR 5117 February 2020]

#### 3. Attendance Where Caregiver Resides:

If your child lives in the home of a caregiving adult, as defined by law, or a foster home your child may attend the school district in which that residence is located. Execution of an affidavit under penalty of perjury pursuant to the Family Code by the caregiving adult is required to determine that your child lives in the caregiver's home. [EC 48204(a), 48980; FC 6550-6552]

## 4. Attendance in District Where Parent / Guardian is Employed:

The district may, but is not required to accept a transfer student whose parent/guardian resides outside the boundaries of the school district but is employed and lives with the student at the place of the parent's/guardian's employment within the boundaries of the school district for a minimum of three days during the school week; or a student whose parent/guardian physically works within the boundaries of the school district for a minimum of 10 hours during the school week. [EC 48204(a)(7), 48980]

## 5. Special Enrollment Allowances for Some Categories of Students:

There are enrollment provisions for some students living in the District including foster, homeless, migratory, or military children: 1) they stay enrolled at their school of origin outside the District, 2) their Individual Education Plan (IEP) indicates attendance elsewhere, or 3) the parent or guardian, with knowledge of all options, declares in writing otherwise. In some cases, they also have rights to expedited enrollment in school, to attend classes and programs (pending proof of immunization), to after-school programs, and fee waivers. The school district and each school site have complete documentation of the rights of homeless, foster, migratory, military, and other special categories of students. [EC 48204, 48204.7, 48645.3, 48850-48859, 48853.5, 51225.1, 56055; 5

CCR 4622; WIC 361, 726; 42 USC 11301, 11431-11435, 11432]

Student Immigrant and Religious Rights

All school age children must be admitted to California Public Schools and be offered all programs accessible to other students. School districts cannot ask about a student's immigrant or religious status. The state Attorney General has information about "know your rights": <a href="https://oag.ca.gov/immigrant/rights">https://oag.ca.gov/immigrant/rights</a>. Migratory Child students are still considered residents of their current school district even if parents are deported or are being held in custody. [EC 200, 220, 234.1]

#### General Absences

Children cannot learn if they are not in school. Children learn early about being on time and not missing school; teach your child to be on time and that school attendance is an important family value. Daily school attendance improves student achievement. Children ages 6 to 18 years must attend every school day.

It is also important that you know the state only awards funding to school districts for actual attendance. The state does not fund districts for the excused absences listed below. Always review the school calendar and plan activities and vacations during days off. No pupil whose attendance is excused shall have grades or academic credit lost if assignments and tests can be reasonably completed.

Other attendance reports, such as truancy, still rely on excused and unexcused absences. There are legal consequences if your child misses too much school. You must send a note and/or phone the school within 72 hours to clear any excusable absences. Parents/ Guardians have the right to be notified on a timely basis if their child is absent from school without permission. Unexcused absences are recorded as a truancy.

- A. Notwithstanding Section 48200, a pupil shall be excused from school when the absence is:
  - 1. Due to the pupil's illness.
  - 2. Due to quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer.

- 3. For the purpose of having medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic services rendered.
- 4. For the purpose of attending the funeral services of a member of the pupil's immediate family, so

- long as the absence is not more than one day if the service is conducted in California and not more than three days if the service is conducted outside California.
- 5. For the purpose of jury duty in the manner provided for by law.
- Due to the illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the pupil is the custodial parent, including absences to care for a sick child for which the school shall not require a note from a doctor.
- 7. For justifiable personal reasons, including, but not limited to, an appearance in court, attendance at a funeral service, observance of a holiday or ceremony of the pupil's religion, attendance at religious retreats, attendance at an employment conference, or attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization when the pupil's absence is requested in writing by the parent or guardian and approved by the principal or a designated representative pursuant to uniform standards established by the governing board.
- 8. For the purpose of serving as a member of a precinct board for an election pursuant to Section 12302 of the Elections Code.
- 9. For the purpose of spending time with a member of the pupil's immediate family who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined in Section 49701, and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from, deployment to a combat zone or combat support position. Absences granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be granted for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the superintendent of the school district.
- 10. For the purpose of attending the pupil's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen.
- 11. Authorized at the discretion of a school administrator, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 48260.
- B. A pupil absent from school under this section shall be allowed to complete all assignments and tests missed during the absence that can be reasonably provided and, upon satisfactory completion within a reasonable period of time, shall be given full

credit therefor. The teacher of the class from which a pupil is absent shall determine which tests and assignments shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the tests and assignments that the pupil missed during the absence.

- C. For purposes of this section, attendance at religious retreats shall not exceed four hours per semester.
- D. Absences pursuant to this section are deemed to be absences in computing average daily attendance and shall not generate state apportionment payments.
- E. "Immediate family," as used in this section, means the parent or guardian, brother or sister, grandparent, or any other relative living in the household of the pupil. [EC 48205, 48205.5, 48260]

Districts may allow students, with parental or guardian consent, to be excused to participate in moral or religious exercises or instruction. [EC 46014]

#### **Absence Procedures**

Sometimes children must miss school. It is important that the school knows why your child is not attending school. Parents should follow the procedures listed below when their child is absent from school.

- Notify the School Secretary by phone or note indicating
  - a. Reason for absence, and
  - b. Duration of absence
- Parents must account for each day of absence either by phone or in writing. (A written note is preferred because if parents call, the secretary must transcribe the message into writing for accounting purposes.)
- 3. Children absent 3 days or longer, must return to school with a doctor's note.
- 4. Children absent for at least 5 days should be placed on an Independent Study Assignment (inquire at school office).

#### **■** Emergency School Closure

Schools may close in the case of a natural disaster such as an earthquake, a fire, a flood, or an epidemic/pandemic like COVID-19. School officials rely on the expertise and advice of public health and safety officials in these decisions. Other means of delivering instruction will be used as possible.

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#### Minimum Days/Pupil Free Staff Development Days

If your child will be affected by minimum days or staff development days, we will give you at least one month's notice. The dates that were known at press time are printed in the calendar in this booklet. [EC 48980]

#### Leaving School at Lunch Time

The Aromas-San Juan Unified School District Board of Trustees has established a closed campus policy at all sites. Students may not leave campus at any time during the school day without written permission of their parents/guardians and school authorities. Students who leave without authorization shall be classified truant and subject to disciplinary action. [BP 5112.5 June 2004; EC 44808.5]

#### ■ Short-Term Independent Study

Independent study is designed for students who need to be away from school when circumstances require that the student be absent from the regular classroom for a minimum of 5 days. Arrangements need to be made at least 1 week in advance. Information is available at the school site.

#### Individualized Instruction

You must notify the school if your child has a temporary disability and cannot attend regular classrooms. If your temporarily disabled child is located outside your school district, notify both the district where your child resides and where the child is located. Within five (5) days of notice, the district(s) will determine if the student qualifies, and within five (5) days of the determination commence instruction in the home or in a hospital or other residential health facility. The district(s) will notify you if your child qualifies, when instruction will begin and for how long it will continue. Each hour of instruction at home or in a facility will count as a full day but cannot exceed 5 days per week nor the number of days in the school year. [EC 48206.3, 48207, 48207.5, 48208, 48980]

#### **Pregnant or Parenting Students**

Pregnant or parenting students who are 18 years old or who have permission from their parent/guardian may have excused leave for up to 8 weeks or more without having to complete schoolwork or other requirements, or being subject to penalties. They may return to the same school and courses where

they are provided time to make up work. They may choose to attend an alternative program with access to comparable courses, programs and activities. They may have a fifth year to complete high school graduation requirements unless administration determines they are capable of completing graduation requirements in four years. Complaints about these rights can be made using the Uniform Complaint Procedure. [EC 46015, 48200, 48980]

#### Unexcused Absences (truancy)

When a student misses school without an excuse they are considered truant, and the school will notify the parent/guardian. The state defines three levels of truancy, each carrying more severe penalties for both the student and the parents or guardians. A student is classified as;

<u>Truant</u>: after missing three days of school or three 30-minute periods without a valid excuse

<u>Habitual Truant</u>: if they are truant three or more times in a school year and an effort is made to meet with parents

<u>Chronic Truant</u>: if they miss 10 percent or more of the school days in a school year.

Early intervention and cooperation between the school and the family is the best way to support student learning. A student who is truant can be referred to a student attendance review board (SARB), a community service program, the county probation department, or to the district attorney. Through these programs the student can be given guidance toward improving attendance. The goal is to intervene before a student enters the juvenile justice system or drops out of school. Parents are urged to use community services identified by the school or District, a SARB, the District Attorney, or Probation department. Students and parents face penalties as defined in Education Code, Welfare and Institutions Code, and Penal Code.

Student Penalties: First truancy may result in a one-day weekend class; Second truancy may be a written warning from a peace officer; Third truancy may result in assignment to an after-school or weekend program, involvement of a SARB, a probation officer, or District Attorney; Fourth truancy may result in a chance to improve attendance, but may also result in the student being placed within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court. Other penalties may include required community service, payment of a fine, attending a truancy mediation program, and loss of driving privileges.

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Parent Penalties: First conviction – up to \$100 fine; Second conviction – up to \$250 fine; Third conviction – up to \$500 fine. Parents of chronically truant elementary students face a fine up to \$2,000; imprisonment up to one year; or both. They may also be scheduled to meet regularly with district staff and/or referred to community resources. Parents may also have to attend classes at the student's school for a day and/or personally deliver their child to school every day. [EC 48260, 48260.5, 48261, 48262, 48263, 48263.5, 48263.6, 48264.5, 48291, 48293, 48320; PC 270.1, 830.1; WIC 256, 258, 601, 601.3; VC 13202.7]

#### Notice of Alternative Schools

California state law authorizes all school districts to provide for alternative schools. Section 58500 of the Education Code defines alternative school as a school or separate class group within a school which is operated in a manner designed to: (a) Maximize the opportunity for students to develop the positive values of self-reliance, initiative, kindness, spontaneity, resourcefulness, courage, creativity, responsibility, and joy. (b) Recognize that the best learning takes place when the student learns because of his desire to learn. (c) Maintain a learning situation maximizing student self-motivation and encouraging the student in his own time to follow his own interests. These interests may be conceived by him totally and independently or may result in whole or in part from a presentation by his teachers of choices of learning projects. (d) Maximize the opportunity for teachers, parents and students to cooperatively develop the learning process and its subject matter. This opportunity shall be a continuous, permanent process. (e) Maximize the opportunity for the students, teachers, and parents to continuously react to the changing world, including, but not limited to, the community in which the school is located.

In the event any parent, pupil, or teacher is interested in further information concerning alternative schools, the county superintendent of schools, the administrative office of this district, and the principal's office in each attendance unit have copies of the law available for your information. This law particularly authorizes interested persons to request the governing board of the district to establish alternative school programs in each district. [EC 58501]

## INSTRUCTION AND CURRICULUM

#### **■** District Courses

Annually the District prepares curriculum, course titles, aims, and descriptions in a prospectus. The prospectus is available at each school site and may be reproduced at cost. Parents/Guardians have the right to review all course material. [EC 49091.14, 51101; PPRA]

#### School Counselors

School counselors are trained educators possessing a valid teacher credential with a specialization in pupil personnel services. Counselors help students in grades 7-12 make decisions about their courses, extra-curricular activities, and preparation for college and/or careers. They guide students through all the steps including information about financial aid, academic requirements, and careers. Counseling related to academic and nonacademic courses, classes, electives, school-related activities, team sports, athletic competitions, and school facilities will be available to all students without regard to their gender or gender identity, the gender listed in their records, or any protected group as listed under "Complaints Regarding Discrimination, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Exceptional Needs Students, Categorical Programs, Federally Funded Programs" on page 34. Most counselors are available by appointment and will meet with students and their families. The District Uniform Complaint Procedure may be used to file a complaint. [EC 221.5, 221.8, 48980, 49600, 48900, 51229; GC 11135; Title VI, Title IX; § 504; CIF 300D]

#### California State Academic Standards

Each district in California decides how they will teach and what resources they will use to reach adopted common-core academic standards. More information can be found at <a href="www.cde.ca.gov/re/cc/">www.corestandards.org</a>. California launched a computer-based student testing system that ties to the standards for English language arts, mathematics, and science called the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). The new tests include the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium Assessments, California Science Tests (CAST), California Alternate Assessments (CAA), and Standards-based Tests in Spanish (STS) for Reading/Language Arts. Parents can exempt their child(ren) from CAASPP testing by submitting a letter in writing annually. More

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information about the CAASPP can be found at <u>www.</u> <u>cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/</u>. [EC 60119, 60604.5, 60615]

#### ■ LCFF and LCAP

The LCFF (Local Control Funding Formula) changed the way the State provides money to school districts. Under this system, school districts receive a uniform base grant for every student, adjusted by grade level. Plus they receive adjustments for the number of students living in poverty, English learners, and foster youth. Then there are further adjustments for concentration of these groups if they are above 55% of the district's enrollment. More information about the LCFF is available at <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/">www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/</a>.

The LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan) is a critical part of the LCFF. Each school district is required to engage parents, students, educators, employees, and the community to establish their plan. The LCAP must focus on eight areas identified as State priorities:

- 1. Basic Services
- 2. Implementation of State Standards
- 3. Parental Involvement
- 4. Pupil Achievement
- 5. Pupil Engagement
- 6. School Climate
- 7. Course Access
- 8. Other Pupil Outcomes

The plan must describe the overall vision for students, annual goals including language acquisition, and specific action to achieve these goals. The plan will demonstrate how the district's budget will help achieve the goals, and annually assess how well the strategies improved outcomes. Anyone can comment about proposals or expenditures to the school board; at parent, student, community engagement meetings; at staff LCAP meetings; or to the district LCAP Advisory Committee. Complaints regarding LCAP may be filed anonymously or using the District Uniform Complaint Procedures. [EC 305, 47606.5, 47607.3, 52060-52076, 5 CCR 4600, 4622]

Homeless, Migratory, Foster, Military, and Juvenile Court Students or Child(ren)

Homeless, migratory, foster, military family, juvenile court youth, or youth participating in a newcomer program have special rights related to graduation and partial high school credits. They have the right to an adult to help make educational decisions. Foster and homeless youth also have special rights associated with college funding, and certain considerations in school discipline. The District Uniform Complaint Procedure

may be used to file a complaint. [EC 48645.3, 48645.5, 51225.1-51225.3, 56055; 5 CCR 4622; WIC 361, 726]

#### **Language Acquisition Programs**

Language acquisition programs are designed to ensure that English learners acquire English as rapidly and effectively as possible. They provide instruction based on the state-adopted academic content standards, including English language development (ELD) standards.

The District offers a Dual Language Immersion program (English/Spanish) which instruction is delivered in both English and Spanish. The program is designed for both English learners and native English speakers to develop as bilingual and biliterate.

Parents/Guardians may provide input regarding language acquisition programs during the development of the Local Control Accountability Plan. Parents/ Guardians may submit written or verbal requests for the establishment of a language acquisition program in addition to the program available. Schools in which the parents/guardians of 30 pupils or more per school or 20 pupils or more in any grade request a language acquisition program are required to offer such a program to the extent possible. Please contact the District office or your school principal for more information. [EC 306, 310; 5 CCR 11310]

Parents/Guardians have a right to opt their child(ren) out of the school district's language acquisition program or opt out of particular English learner service(s) within a language acquisition program. [20 USC 6312(e)(3)(A)(viii)]

#### Curriculum and Personal Beliefs

Whenever any part of the instruction in comprehensive sexual health, sexual abuse, or human trafficking prevention education conflicts with your religious training and beliefs or personal moral conviction, or those of your child, your child shall be excused from such instruction if you request an excuse in writing. No student shall be penalized, sanctioned, or disciplined for such an excuse, and shall have an alternative education activity available. [EC 51240, 51938, 51950]

## Family Life, Human Development, and Sexual Health Education

Your child will be taking classes in compliance with the California Healthy Youth Act. These will include comprehensive sexual health education, HIV

education, and research findings regarding pupil health behaviors and risks. Students in grades 7-12 will gain a deeper understanding of HIV transmission, prevention, and treatment. They will also be taught about the prevalence of human trafficking and the methods traffickers employ, including social media and mobile devices. You will be notified before such instruction. Any written and audio-visual educational materials planned for use are available for inspection prior to the start of classes. You may have copies of non-copyrighted material that will be presented by a consultant or guest speaker. You have a right to request, in writing, that your child not participate in any or all activities. You may withdraw this request at any time. School districts must ensure that all participating pupils receive sexual health instruction from personnel adequately trained in appropriate courses. In this District, staff teaches these classes. During this class, students in grades 7-12 may be asked to anonymously, voluntarily, and confidentially fill out evaluation and research tools such as surveys, tests, or questionnaires measuring student attitudes toward health, sex, and risk behaviors. Copies of Education Code Sections 51933, 51934, and 51938 can be requested from the District or can be obtained online at www.leginfo. legislature.ca.gov. [EC 51933-51939]

#### **Dissection of Animals**

If your child chooses not to participate in the dissection of animals, and if the teacher believes that an adequate alternative education project is possible, the teacher may work with the student to develop and agree upon an alternative education project for the purpose of providing your child an alternate avenue for obtaining the information required by the class. The school will need a signed note from you indicating your child's objection. [EC 32255]

#### Tests/Surveys on Personal Beliefs

You and/or your child(ren) over 18 will be notified before administration of any confidential test, questionnaire, or survey containing questions about your child's, or your personal beliefs, political practices, mental health, anti-social, illegal, self-incriminating, demeaning behavior, critical appraisals of others close to the family, about legally confidential relationships such as ministers or doctors, income (unless to determine eligibility for receiving financial assistance), sex, family life, morality, or religion. You will be asked for written permission except for exempt surveys (in grades 7-12) that are part of sexual health programs

or State surveys. Parents may opt their child(ren) out of all surveys, without penalty, including those seeking information to be used in marketing. Parents have the right to review any survey or educational materials related to the survey on any of the above items. The District has developed policies relating to surveys and personal information. Notice will be sent to parents prior to such test or survey. If you believe your rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office at U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-5920. [EC 51513, 51938, 60614; 60615; PPRA; 34 CFR 98; ESEA]

#### California Healthy Kids Survey

If your student is a 7th, 9th, or 11th grader, he/she will be asked to participate in an anonymous health survey by the California Department of Education. You may submit a Participation Opt-Out Form if you do not want your student to be included in the survey by filling out and returning the form in this booklet. Parents may preview the survey and data it supports – chks.wested. org. The survey is administered in the fall. [EC 51938(b)]

#### University Admissions

## University of California/California State University Admissions

Admission to the California State Universities requires a minimum 15-unit pattern of courses for admission as a first-time freshman. Each unit is equal to a year of study in a subject area. A GPA of 2.0 (C) or higher is required for regular admission. Admittance is based on an eligibility index that combines multiple items. Transfer students are accepted.

Admission to the University of California requires completion of the 15 yearlong high school course list. These courses are also known as the "a-g" subjects. At least seven of the 15 yearlong courses must be taken in the student's last two years of high school. A GPA of 3.0 (B) or higher is required for California residents. [EC 48980, 51229]

Links to University of California/California State University requirements: <a href="https://www.universityofcalifornia.com/">www.universityofcalifornia.com/</a> <a href="https://edu/admissions/undergraduate.html">edu/admissions/undergraduate.html</a>, <a href="https://www.ucop.edu/doorways/">www.ucop.edu/doorways/</a>.

#### **Definition of Career Technical Education**

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A program of study that involves a multiyear sequence of courses that integrates core academic

knowledge with technical and occupational knowledge to provide students with a pathway to postsecondary education and careers. More information is available about Career Technical Education at California Department of Education, <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct">www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct</a>. [EC 48980, 51229]

High School Graduation Requirements compared to UC/CSU Requirements

	<u>EC</u>	<u>CSU</u>	<u>UC</u>	<u>ASJ</u>
History/Social Science (a)	3	2	2	3.5
English (b)	3	4	4	4
Mathematics (c)	2	3 +1	3 +1	3
Science (d)	2	2 †	2 †	3
Foreign Language (e)		2	2 +1	
Visual/Performing Arts (f)	1	1	1	1
Career Technical Education ‡				
Physical Education	2			2
Elective (g)		1	1	

- +1 One additional year is recommended in Mathematics for both CSU and UC, and in Foreign Language for UC.
- † Specifics of courses vary from CSU to UC.
- ‡ The Aromas-San Juan Unified School District has adopted a policy that allows Career Technical Education courses to be counted toward graduation. Which "(a)-(g)" requirement applies varies by course.

At this time Aromas-San Juan School District does not offer any Career Technology Education courses that qualify toward the UC/CSU "(a)-(g)" requirements. [BP/AR 6146.1 February 2019; EC 35186, 48412, 48430, 49701, 51225.3, 51225.5, 51228, 51240-51246, 51410-51412, 51420-51427; 5 CCR 1600-1651]

## SCHOOL RECORDS AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

#### Pupil Records

Parents, guardians, foster parents, certain caregivers, and students over 18 have the right to review, inspect, and get copies of school records within five business days of a written or oral request or before any meeting regarding an individualized education plan (IEP) or a hearing. Those records are confidential, and privacy will be maintained. Student records are provided to schools where student transfers or wants to enroll. In some instances, information about your child may be released to District staff, foster

agencies, short-term residential treatment programs, after school programs, summer camps, lawyers, law enforcement, state researchers, and nonprofit researchers. Sharing of pupil records must conform to federal laws and in some cases must be approved by the State Committee for Protection of Human Subjects. The records include transcripts, discipline letters, commendations, attendance, health information, and immunization information that may be shared with the Health Department. The records are maintained at your child's school site by the school secretaries. There is someone to help interpret the material. When more than one child is named in the records, parents may only see material related to their child. If requested, the district will provide a list of types and locations where materials are held. There is a log of who has viewed the records that is kept at the same location as the records. District policy or administrative regulation 5125 sets forth the criteria by which school officials and employees can look and change or delete the files and why. Files may be reviewed to identify students eligible for public school choice or supplemental educational services. You may have copies made for ten cents (10¢) per page. If you cannot afford the cost of copies, they will be provided free of charge. With the proper documentation, the records can be changed to reflect a legal change of name and/or gender of a student or a former student. You also have the right to file a written request with the superintendent challenging the records if you think there is an inaccuracy, unsubstantiated conclusion or inference, a conclusion outside the observer's expertise, a comment not based on personal observation with time and date noted, misleading information, or a violation of privacy rights. You can file a complaint about how your request was handled with the district or with United States Department of Education. You will get to meet with the superintendent or designee within 30 days. If your challenge is sustained, the changes will be made. If not, you can appeal to the school board, which has final authority. If you still have a different view, your view can be included in the student's record. [EC 8484.1, 49060, 49062.5, 49063, 49068, 49069.3, 49070-49079.7, 51101, 56043, 56504; CC 1798.24(t); FERPA; 20 USC 1232(g); 34 CFR Part 99]

#### Students of Military Families

For a smoother transition, the District has established guidelines for transferring credits and meeting graduation requirements of students from military families. Also, students can be registered

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in their district of choice, but must provide proof of residency within 10 days. [EC 51225.1, 51225.2]

#### Student Data from Social Media Websites

School Districts may adopt a plan to gather student information from social media websites. The Governing Board has not adopted such a plan, but may consider it in the future. The information would pertain only to student or school safety, and must be destroyed within one year of the student leaving the District or turning 18. [EC 49073.6]

#### Regulations Regarding Pupil Achievement

The Board of Education believes good communication between parents and teachers is important in the educational process. All appropriate forms of communication should be used. The progress report should reflect student progress in classwork and proficiency levels and indicate educational growth in relation to the student's ability, citizenship and effort. [EC 49067]

#### ■ Teacher Qualifications

A provision of federal Title I requires all districts to notify parents of children in Title I schools that they have the right to request and receive timely information on the professional qualifications of classroom teachers and paraprofessionals including state qualifications, licensing for the grade level or subject taught, any waivers for qualifications, emergency provisions, college major, graduate degrees and subject, and if paraprofessionals or aides are in the classroom and what their qualifications are. You will receive a timely notice when your child has been taught four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified. [ESEA; 20 USC 6311; 34 CFR 200.61]

#### ■ Release of Directory Information

The law allows schools to release "directory information" to certain persons or organizations including military recruiters. Directory information includes a student's name, address, telephone number, electronic mail address, date of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous public or private school attended by the student. You may have the district withhold any of this information by submitting a request in writing by September 30th of each year. Written notification received after the date specified will be honored, but the student's information may

have been released in the interim. In the case of students with exceptional needs or who are homeless, no material can be released without parent or guardian consent. [EC 49061(c), 49070, 49073(c), 56515; FERPA; ESEA]

#### School Safety Plan

Every year, each school shall review and update its plan by March 1. Each school shall make its plan public and shall share the plan with numerous community leaders, school site personnel, and parent groups. Plans should, among other things, provide guidance for the response to and/or the prevention of bullying, child abuse, disasters, and criminal activity. Key elements are to be described in the School Accountability Report Card. Planned responses to criminal incidents need not be disclosed. The Uniform Complaint Procedure can be used regarding School Safety Plan compliance. [EC 32281, 32282.1, 32286, 32288, 32289, 51101]

#### Program Improvement Schools

In compliance with federal legislation, the Aromas-San Juan Unified School District implemented a Program Improvement School Choice program for students who reside within the boundaries of, and attend a school that has not met one of its achievement targets for two years in a row. Students residing in and attending a program improvement school were provided an opportunity to apply to attend a non-program improvement school in the district. There are no longer alternative schools in the District.

#### STUDENT SERVICES

#### ■ Student Meal Program

Meals are provided to all students at no cost during the 2021-2022 school year. We request that every family in the district complete an Alternative Household Income form and return it to the school. This form helps the district secure funding. Forms are available online, at your school site office, and at the district office. For more information please contact the Cafeteria Manager, Janie Cecena at <a href="mailto:jcecena@asjusd.k12.ca.us">jcecena@asjusd.k12.ca.us</a>. [EC 49510-49520, 49558; 42 USC 1761(a)]

#### Student Use of Technology

The Board of Trustees intends that technological resources provided by the district be used in a safe and responsible manner in support of the instructional program and for the advancement of student learning.

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All students using these resources shall receive instruction in their proper and appropriate use.

Teachers, administrators, and/or library media specialists are expected to review the technological resources and online sites that will be used in the classroom or assigned to students in order to ensure that they are appropriate for the intended purpose and the age of the students.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and parents/guardians about authorized uses of district technology, user obligations and responsibilities, and consequences for unauthorized use and/or unlawful activities in accordance with this Board policy and the district's Acceptable Use Agreement.

District technology includes, but is not limited to, computers, the district's computer network including servers and wireless computer networking technology (wi-fi), the Internet, email, USB drives, wireless access points (routers), tablet computers, smartphones and smart devices, telephones, cellular telephones, personal digital assistants, pagers, MP3 players, wearable technology, any wireless communication device including emergency radios, and/or future technological innovations, whether accessed on or off site or through district-owned or personally owned equipment or devices.

Before a student is authorized to use district technology, the student and his/her parent/guardian shall sign and return the Acceptable Use Agreement. In that agreement, the parent/guardian shall agree not to hold the district or any district staff responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures or user mistakes or negligence and shall agree to indemnify and hold harmless the district and district staff for any damages or costs incurred.

The district reserves the right to monitor student use of technology within the jurisdiction of the district without advance notice or consent. Students shall be informed that their use of district technology, including, but not limited to, computer files, email, text messages, instant messaging, and other electronic communications, is not private and may be accessed by the district for the purpose of ensuring proper use. Students have no reasonable expectation of privacy in use of the district technology. Students' personally owned devices shall not be searched except in cases where there is a reasonable suspicion, based on specific and objective facts, that the search will uncover

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evidence of a violation of law, district policy, or school rules.

The Superintendent or designee may gather and maintain information pertaining directly to school safety or student safety from the social media activity of any district student in accordance with Education Code 49073.6 and BP/AR 5125 – Student Records.

Whenever a student is found to have violated Board policy or the district's Acceptable Use Agreement, the principal or designee may cancel or limit a student's user privileges or increase supervision of the student's use of the district's equipment and other technological resources, as appropriate. Inappropriate use also may result in disciplinary action and/or legal action in accordance with law and Board policy.

The Superintendent or designee, with input from students and appropriate staff, shall regularly review and update procedures to enhance the safety and security of students using district technology and to help ensure that the district adapts to changing technologies and circumstances.

#### **Internet Safety**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district computers with Internet access have a technology protection measure that protects against access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors and that the operation of such measures is enforced.

To reinforce these measures, the Superintendent or designee shall implement rules and procedures designed to restrict students' access to harmful or inappropriate matter on the Internet and to ensure that students do not engage in unauthorized or unlawful online activities.

Harmful matter includes matter, taken as a whole, which to the average person, applying contemporary statewide standards, appeals to the prurient interest and is matter which depicts or describes, in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct and which lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors.

The district's Acceptable Use Agreement shall establish expectations for appropriate student conduct when using the Internet or other forms of electronic communication, including, but not limited to, prohibitions against:

 Accessing, posting, submitting, publishing, or displaying harmful or inappropriate matter that

- is threatening, obscene, disruptive, or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as harassment or disparagement of others based on their race/ethnicity, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion, or political beliefs
- Intentionally uploading, downloading, or creating computer viruses and/or maliciously attempting to harm or destroy district equipment or materials or manipulate the data of any other user, including socalled "hacking"
- 3. Distributing personal identification information, including the name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other personally identifiable information, of another student, staff member, or other person with the intent to threaten, intimidate, harass, or ridicule that person

The Superintendent or designee shall provide age-appropriate instruction regarding safe and appropriate behavior on social networking sites, chat rooms, and other Internet services. Such instruction shall include, but not be limited to, the dangers of posting one's own personal identification information online, misrepresentation by online predators, how to report inappropriate or offensive content or threats, behaviors that constitute cyberbullying, and how to respond when subjected to cyberbullying. [BP 6163.4 November 2015; EC 49073.6, 51006, 51007, 60044; PC 313, 502, 632, 653.2; 15 USC 6501-6506; 20 USC 6751-6777; 47 USC 254; 16 CFR 312.1-312.12; 47 USC 54.520]

#### **Student Obligations and Responsibilities**

Students are expected to use district technology safely, responsibly, and for educational purposes only. The student in whose name district technology is issued is responsible for its proper use at all times. Students shall not share their assigned online services account information, passwords, or other information used for identification and authorization purposes, and shall use the system only under the account to which they have been assigned.

Students are prohibited from using district technology for improper purposes, including, but not limited to, use of district technology to:

- Access, post, display, or otherwise use material that is discriminatory, libelous, defamatory, obscene, sexually explicit, or disruptive
- 2. Bully, harass, intimidate, or threaten other students, staff, or other individuals ("cyberbullying")

- 3. Disclose, use, or disseminate personal identification information (such as name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other personal information) of another student, staff member, or other person with the intent to threaten, intimidate, harass, or ridicule that person
- 4. Infringe on copyright, license, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property rights
- Intentionally disrupt or harm district technology or other district operations (such as destroying district equipment, placing a virus on district computers, adding or removing a computer program without permission from a teacher or other district personnel, changing settings on shared computers)
- 6. Install unauthorized software
- "Hack" into the system to manipulate data of the district or other users
- Engage in or promote any practice that is unethical or violates any law or Board policy, administrative regulation, or district practice

Since the use of district technology is intended for educational purposes, students shall not have any expectation of privacy in any use of district technology. The district reserves the right to monitor and record all use of district technology, including, but not limited to, access to the Internet or social media, communications sent or received from district technology, or other uses.

If a student becomes aware of any security problem (such as any compromise of the confidentiality of any login or account information) or misuse of district technology, he/she shall immediately report such information to the teacher or other district personnel.

#### **Personally Owned Devices**

If a student uses a personally owned device to access district technology, he/she shall abide by all applicable Board policies, administrative regulations, and the Acceptable Use Agreement. Any such use of a personally owned device may subject the contents of the device and any communications sent or received on the device to disclosure pursuant to a lawful subpoena or public records request.

#### School Accountability Report Card

The School Accountability Report Card is available on request, and is available annually by February 1st on the Internet at <a href="https://www.asjusd.k12.ca.us">www.asjusd.k12.ca.us</a>. It contains information about the district and school regarding the

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quality of programs and its progress toward achieving stated goals. A copy will be provided upon request. [EC 33126, 32286, 35256, 35258, 51101]

#### Services to Students with Disabilities

If you have reason to believe that your child (ages 0 through 22 years) has a disability which requires special services or accommodations, bring this to the attention of the school office. Your child will be evaluated to determine whether he/she is eligible for special or modified instruction or services. The District wants to locate, identify and assess all children with disabilities whether homeless, wards of the state, enrolled in public or private schools. The District has policies guiding procedures for identification and referral. Students identified with special needs will receive a Free Appropriate Public Education in the least restrictive environment. [EC 48853, 56020 et seq., 56040, 56301; 5 CCR 4622; 20 USC 1412, (10)(A)(ii), 1412(a)(6)(A); 34 CFR 300.121]

#### Advanced Placement Examination Fees

State funding is available to qualified low-income students to assist in paying all or part of Advanced Placement exams. [EC 48980, 52240]

#### Pupil Fees

While there are limited exceptions, families and students should not have to pay fees for most items related to public education. There are four types of fees identified in Education Code:

<u>Pupil Fees:</u> No fees or deposits can be required or collected for items including, but not limited to, materials, supplies, equipment, uniforms (i.e. band, cheerleading, basketball), lockers, locks, books, class apparatus, musical instruments.

Educational Activity Fees: No fees can be required or collected for student participation in an event or activity, either curricular or extracurricular, that is an essential part of a student's education or for transportation to those events. There can be no fees required for registering or participating in regular or extra classes.

<u>Voluntary Donations</u>: While voluntary donations may be suggested for activities, no student may be denied participation based on the family's ability to make a donation.

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<u>Exceptions – When fees may be required:</u> By law, there are exceptions to the prohibition against

charging fees or deposits. Exceptions include, but are not limited to, transportation to non-essential activities, non-essential events where attendance is optional (such as a school dance), food served to students, damage to district provided materials such as textbooks, cost of community service classes, and fingerprinting. Money may also be collected for material used for projects that a student will be taking home, such as, material used in a career class like woodshop or sewing. The Uniform Complaint Procedure can be used regarding pupil fee compliance. A complaint may be filed with the school principal and may be filed anonymously. [EC 17551, 17552, 19911, 32030-32033, 32220-32224, 32390, 35330, 35331, 35335, 38084, 38118, 38120, 39807.5, 48052, 48053, 48904, 49010-49013, 49063, 49065, 49066, 51815, 52373, 52612, 52615, 52920-52922, 60070; 5 CCR 4610, 4630]

#### **■** Course Offerings

A list and description of all course offerings is available at each school site. [EC 49091.14, 35256]

#### **HEALTH SERVICES**

#### **Immunizations**

Documented proof that immunizations are upto-date is required before attending school; districts may not allow "conditional" admittance into schools. Students may not participate in a classroom setting unless they have been fully immunized against diphtheria, hepatitis b, haemophilus influenza type b, measles, mumps, pertussis (whooping cough), poliomyelitis, rubella, and tetanus. Students must be immunized for varicella (chickenpox) or provide proof from a doctor stating they have had the disease.

All new students, advancing students, or students transferring into grades 7-12 must be fully immunized, and will not be admitted without the required booster against pertussis (Tdap) and a second dose against varicella. The required immunizations are available through a usual source of medical care, County Health Department, a school nurse, or may be administered by a health care practitioner acting under the direction of a physician. Immunizations may be given at school. There may be funds for those who cannot access services. Homeless, foster, migratory, and military youth can be enrolled without proof of immunization. [HSC 120325, 120335, 120338, 120375, 120400, 120405,

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120410, 120415, 120440, 120480; EC 48216, 48852.7, 48853.5, 49403; 17 CCR 6000-6075; 42 USC 11432(C)(i)]

#### **Exemptions**

These requirements do not apply if a form from licensed physician cites why they should not. The physician submits the standardized electronic form directly to the California Immunization Registry (CAIR) and to the school for exemption; this is the only form the school will accept. The form will include physician information, the child's name and their school, the parent's/guardian's name, and the specific basis for and duration of the exemption.

If an outbreak of a communicable disease occurs, a non-immunized student will be excluded from school for their own safety until such a time as directed by health officials or district administration.

Forms submitted prior to January 1, 2020 and exemptions based on beliefs opposed to immunization submitted prior to January 1, 2016 are valid until the pupil enrolls in the next grade span (through preschool, grades K-6, grades 7-12). Parents or guardians may refuse to allow the sharing of personal information related to their child's immunization records by notifying the County Health Department listed in this section. [HSC 120325, 120335, 120338, 120370, 120372, 120372.05; EC 48216]

#### Physical Examinations

For each child enrolling in the District for the first time in kindergarten or first grade, the parent or guardian must present a certificate, signed by a physician, verifying that the child has received a physical examination within the last 18 months. If your child does not receive this exam, you must file a waiver with the school district stating the reasons you are unable to obtain such services. You may have your child immunized at the same time that the physical examination is conducted. [EC 49450; HSC 124085, 124100, 124105]

These services may be available to you at no cost through the Child Health and Disability Prevention Program (CHDP). For information, you may contact:

San Benito Co. Health Department 439 4th Street, Hollister, CA 95023 (831) 637-5367

or Monterey Co. Health Department 1270 Natividad Road, Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 755-4500

If you want your child to be exempt from physical examinations at school, file a written statement annually with the school refusing such an exam. However, when there is a good reason to believe that your child is suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious disease, he/she may be sent home and shall not be permitted to return to school until the contagious or infectious disease does not exist. [EC 49451; PPRA]

## Kindergarten and/or First Grade Oral Health Assessment

Many things impact a child's school progress and success, including health. Children must be healthy to learn, and children with cavities are not healthy. Baby teeth are not just teeth that will fall out. Children need their teeth to eat properly, talk, smile, and feel good about themselves. Children with cavities may have difficulty eating, stop smiling, and have problems paying attention and learning at school.

Parents or guardians must have their child's oral health assessed and have proof of the assessment by May 31 of the student's first school year (kindergarten or first grade). Assessments within the 12 months before the child enters school also meet this requirement. The assessment must be done by a licensed dentist or licensed or registered dental health professional. [EC 49452.8]

#### ■ Vision, Hearing, and Scoliosis Screening

An authorized person will check your child's vision upon enrollment and in grades 2, 5, and 8 unless the student entered the District in grade 4 or 7. Hearing tests will be conducted when your child is enrolled or first enters a District school. Females in grade 7 and males in grade 8 may be screened for scoliosis (curvature of the spine). These tests may be administered unless you annually give the school a certificate from a physician or optometrist verifying prior testing, or submit a letter denying consent. [EC 44878, 49451, 49452, 49452.5, 49455]

#### Medication

Children may take medication, which is prescribed by a physician, and get help from school personnel during the school day if:

 The district designee has received a written statement from the physician detailing the medication name, method, amount, and time

- schedules by which the medication is to be taken; and
- 2. Parent, guardian, or caregiver annually submits a written statement asking the school district to assist their child in taking the medication or allow the student to self-administer certain medications. This includes allowing a school staff member to volunteer to identify the need for and administer glucagon or epinephrine to a student. The letter gives permission to a district representative to communicate with the health care provider, pharmacist and acknowledge understanding of how the medication will be administered. Each school determines if it will have staff trained in the use and storage of autoinjectable epinephrine. The District will have a supply of auto-injectable epinephrine at each school site. [EC 49414, 49414.3, 49414.5, 49423, 49480]

Children may carry and self-administer a blood glucose level test, diabetes care, inhaled asthma medication, and auto-injectable epinephrine if the rules above are met and if a physician confirms in writing that the student is able to self-administer. [EC 49414, 49414.5, 49423, 49423.1, 49480]

A parent or guardian may administer, by means other than smoking, medicinal cannabis to their child after filing with the school a statement and prescription from a physician. The prescription and any records associated with the treatment of a student are confidential medical records. Full rules are detailed in education code. [BP 5141.21 February 2020; EC 49414.1; HSC 11362.79]

If your child is on a continuing medication regimen for a non-episodic condition, you are required to notify the district designee of the medication being taken, the current dosage, and the name of the supervising physician. [BP/AR 5141.21; EC 49480; ne]

#### Sun Protection

Students when outdoors can wear sun protective clothing, including, but not limited to hats. Students may also apply sunscreen during the day without a doctor's note or prescription. [EC 35183.5, 35291, 35294.6]

#### Medical and Hospital Insurance for Students

The district provides insurance on individual students. However, you may purchase accident insurance through the district for medical and hospital

services covering your child. The insurance provides coverage for your child while on school grounds or in school buildings during the time your child is required to be there because of attendance during a regular school day of the district; or while being transported by the district to and from school or other place of instruction; or while at any other place as an incident to school-sponsored activities. The school district assumes no liability for accidents to pupils at school. [EC 32221.5, 49472]

Under state law, school districts are required to ensure that all members of school athletic teams have accidental injury insurance that covers medical and hospital expenses. This insurance requirement can be met by the school district offering insurance or other health benefits that cover medical and hospital expenses. Some pupils may qualify to enroll in no-cost or low-cost local, state, or federally sponsored health insurance programs. [EC 49471]

#### Enrollment in a Health Care Plan

All children enrolling in kindergarten, first grade, or transferring into the district and their families must be enrolled in a health care plan. There are several options for getting a health plan; through an insurance agent, or low cost provider such as Medi-Cal and Covered California at (800) 300-1506 or online at <a href="https://www.coveredca.com">www.coveredca.com</a>. [EC 49452.9; PPACA]

#### **School-Sponsored Athletics**

If a student participates in school-sponsored athletics other than physical education or athletic event during the school day, parents/guardians and the student athlete are required to annually; (1) complete a concussion awareness form, (2) complete a suddfen cardiac arrest awareness form, and (3) sign a document acknowledging receipt of an Opioid Factsheet received either in print or electronic format. [EC 33479, 49475, 49476]

As a condition of participation, parents/guardians and high school athletes must sign an agreement that the athlete will not use steroids, unless the student has a written prescription as specified. [EC 49033, 60041; HSC 11032]

## Schools Free of Tobacco, Alcohol, and Drugs

The Board has adopted Tobacco-Free, Drug-Free, and Alcohol-Free campus policies to promote student health and well-being. The District strives for a

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school environment free of these substances and has prevention and interven-tion programs. There may be programs through the District or in the community to support students' cessation from use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs. For more information please contact the school/district nurse or a school administrator. [EC 51202-51203, 51260-51269; HSC 104420, 11999-11999.3; PC 13864]

#### **Tobacco Free Policy Notification**

Smoking presents a health hazard that can have serious consequences both for the smoker and the nonsmoker. In the best interest of students, employees, and the general public, the Aromas-San Juan Unified School District has adopted a "Tobacco-Free School" policy. This policy prohibits the use of any tobacco product on School District grounds by anyone at anytime. This policy includes visitors to the school and community members using school facilities during or after school hours. Students who possess or use tobacco while on school premises, or at schoolsponsored events, shall be subject to disciplinary procedures that may result in suspension from school. Employees of the District must abide by District policy as a condition of their employment, and may face disciplinary action if they do not. Community members who use tobacco while on District property will be informed of the tobacco-free policy and will be asked to refrain from usage. If the person does not comply with this request, the matter may be referred to the Superintendent or designee, and the person may be directed to leave school property. For information about cessation programs in the area, the following organizations may be contacted:

San Benito Tobacco Control Program (636-4011)

American Lung Association (636-5229 or 1-800-586-4872)

American Cancer Society (623-2501)

#### Access to Mental Health Services

School-based mental health services help address barriers to learning and provide appropriate student and family support in a safe and supportive environment. Reaching out for mental health services is simple; contact your school counselor, nurse, health aide, principal, or the district office. In the community a good place to start may be to dial 211 for referrals in your area or call San Benito Co. Behavioral Health Services, (831) 636-4020. If you are in crisis contact this number or dial 911 immediately. [EC 49428]

#### **Suicide Prevention**

Suicide is a leading cause of death among youth, and school personnel is often in a position to recognize warning signs. The District makes an effort to reduce suicidal behavior and its impact and has developed strategies to intervene. These may include staff development, student instruction in coping skills, informing parents/guardians, methods for promoting a positive school climate, crisis intervention, and counseling (including for bereavement). Information about district programs and services and links to community and statewide resources are available on the District's website at <a href="www.asjusd.k12.ca.us">www.asjusd.k12.ca.us</a>. [EC 215, 234.5, 234.6, 49060-49079, 49602, 49604; GC 810-996.6; PC 11164-11174.3; WIC 5698, 5850-5883; BP 5141.52 July 2021]

#### Confidential Medical Services

School authorities may excuse any student in grades 7 through 12 from school for the purpose of obtaining confidential medical services without the consent of the pupil's parent or guardian. [EC 46010.1]

## STUDENT BEHAVIOR AND SAFETY

All pupils have the right to participate fully in the educational process, free from discrimination, harassment, violence, intimidation, and bullying. Schools have an obligation to combat racism, sexism, and other forms of bias, and a responsibility to provide equal educational opportunity and ensure safe school sites.

#### Safe Place to Learn

It is State and District policy to improve student safety, connections between students and supportive adults, and connections between schools and communities. These policies prohibit discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying at all school sites or at any school sponsored activity. School site staff trained in anti-bias shall be made known to students. When safe to do so, District employees must intervene immediately when they see discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying. Certificated staff in grades 7-12 get information about helping LGBTQ students. Information about district programs and services and links to community and statewide resources related to: suicide prevention; sex discrimination including Title IX information; hate violence; sexual harassment including the District's Policy (also included in this

booklet); harassment, intimidation, bullying; and cyberbullying including social-media bullying are available on the District's website at <a href="www.asjusd.k12.ca.us">www.asjusd.k12.ca.us</a> and online at <a href="www.cde.ca.gov/s/ss/se/bullyfaq.asp">www.cde.ca.gov/s/ss/se/bullyfaq.asp</a>, <a href="www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss/se/bullyres.asp">www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss/se/bullyres.asp</a>, <a href="www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss/se/bullyres.asp">www.cde.ca.g

The District Uniform Complaint Procedure may be used to file a complaint. Contact the District Complaint Officer(s) listed on page 34 for assistance. [CE 200, 215, 220, 221.6, 221.61, 221.8, 230, 231.5, 233, 234, 234.1, 234.4, 234.5, 234.6, 51101, 66250, 66260.6, 66270; CP 422.55, 422.6; 5 CCR 4900; BP 5131.2 February 2020]

#### ■ Digital Communication Devices

Districts may regulate the possession or use of any cellphone, smartphone, pager or electronic signaling device while pupils are on campus, while attending school-sponsored activities, or while under the supervision and control of school district employees. Students cannot be stopped from using such a device when: there is an emergency; there is a perceived threat of danger; when a teacher or administrator has said it is acceptable; or if it is part of an individualized education program (IEP). Possession or use is allowed if essential to student's health as determined by a licensed physician or surgeon. [EC 48901.5, 48901.7]

#### STUDENT DISCIPLINE

#### ■ Parent Responsibility

Parents or guardians are liable for all the damages caused by the willful misconduct of their minor children that result in death or injury to other students, school personnel, or damage to school property. Parents are also liable for any school property loaned to the student and willfully not returned. Parents' or guardians' liability may be as much as \$21,200 in damages and another maximum of \$11,700 as adjusted annually by the California Department of Education for payment of a reward, if any. With a few exceptions, the school district may withhold the grades, diplomas, or transcripts of the student responsible until such damages are paid or the property returned or until completion of a voluntary work program in lieu of payment of money. If your child commits an obscene act or engages in habitual profanity or vulgarity, disrupts school activities, or otherwise willfully defies the authority of school personnel, and is suspended

for such misconduct, you may be required to attend a portion of a school day in your child's classroom. Civil penalties may also be enforced with fines up to \$25,000. [EC 48900.1, 48904, 51101; CC 1714.1; GC 53069.5]

#### **Vandalism**

Graffiti and scratching glass or other material on someone else' property is now considered vandalism and those convicted face fines, imprisonment and the requirement to clean up the damage or perform community service. Parents/Guardians may be liable to pay fines as high as \$10,000 and be required to participate in the clean up. [PC 594]

#### Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco

Possession or use of illicit drugs (including cannabis), alcohol, or any tobacco product on District premises or at any District activity is strictly prohibited.

A student in possession or under the influence of marijuana (cannabis), concentrated cannabis, or any synthetic cannabinoid is subject to suspension or expulsion. A student under 18 also faces up to forty (40) hours of community service, ten (10) hours of drug education, and sixty (60) hours of counseling; a student 18 or older can be imprisoned for up to six (6) months and/or be fined up to \$1,000. It is illegal for anyone under 21 to possess cannabis or synthetic cannabis.

Possession of tobacco by anyone under 21 is illegal and can lead to a \$75 fine or 30 hours of community service except for members of the military.

Except for members of the military, possession of tobacco by anyone under 21 is illegal unless they are members of the military and can lead to a \$75 fine or 30 hours of community service. Possession of approved tobacco cessation aids is not prohibited. A "tobacco product" is any product made or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, including an electronic device that delivers nicotine (commonly known as "e-cigarettes" or "vaping"). [EC 48900, 48901; HSC 11357, 11357.5, 11361, 11362.1, 11362.3, 1104495, 104559; PC 308; VC 13202.5; BPC 22950.5, 25608; 20 USC 812, 814]

#### Impersonation on the Internet

Pretending to be another pupil or real person other than yourself on the Internet or through other electronic methods to harm, intimidate, threaten or defraud is punishable by a \$1,000 fine or imprisonment for up to one year. [EC 48900; PC 528.5]

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#### **■** Grounds for Suspension or Expulsion

A pupil shall not be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion, unless the superintendent of the school district or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has committed an act as defined pursuant to any of subdivisions (a) to (r), inclusive:

- (a) (1) Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
  - (2) Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense.
- (b) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished a firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object, unless, in the case of possession of an object of this type, the pupil had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, which is concurred in by the principal or the designee of the principal.
- (c) Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of, a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind.
- (d) Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind, and either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to a person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the liquid, substance, or material as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant.
- (e) Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
- (f) Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property.
- (g) Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
- (h) Possessed or used tobacco, or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets, and betel. However, this section does not prohibit the use or possession by a pupil of the pupil's own prescription products.

- (i) Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- (j) Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia, as defined in Section 11014.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (k) (1) Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
  - (2) Except as provided in Section 48910, a pupil enrolled in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 3, inclusive, shall not be suspended for any of the acts enumerated in paragraph (1), and those acts shall not constitute grounds for a pupil enrolled in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to be recommended for expulsion. This paragraph is inoperative on July 1, 2020.
  - (3) Except as provided in Section 48910, commencing July 1, 2020, a pupil enrolled in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 5, inclusive, shall not be suspended for any of the acts specified in paragraph (1), and those acts shall not constitute grounds for a pupil enrolled in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to be recommended for expulsion.
  - (4) Except as provided in Section 48910, commencing July 1, 2020, a pupil enrolled in any of grades 6 to 8, inclusive, shall not be suspended for any of the acts specified in paragraph (1). This paragraph is inoperative on July 1, 2025.
- (I) Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
- (m) Possessed an imitation firearm. As used in this section, "imitation firearm" means a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
- (n) Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Section 261, 266c, 286, 287, 288, or 289 of, or former Section 288a of, the Penal Code or committed a sexual battery as defined in Section 243.4 of the Penal Code.
- (o) Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or a witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for purposes of either

- preventing that pupil from being a witness or retaliating against that pupil for being a witness, or both.
- (p) Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
- (q) Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing. For purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or preinitiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, that is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.
- (r) Engaged in an act of bullying. For purposes of this subdivision, the following terms have the following meanings:
  - (1) "Bullying" means any severe or pervasive physical or verbal act or conduct, including communications made in writing or by means of an electronic act, and including one or more acts committed by a pupil or group of pupils as defined in Section 48900.2, 48900.3, or 48900.4, directed toward one or more pupils that has or can be reasonably predicted to have the effect of one or more of the following:
    - (A) Placing a reasonable pupil or pupils in fear of harm to that pupil's or those pupils' person or property.
    - (B) Causing a reasonable pupil to experience a substantially detrimental effect on the pupil's physical or mental health.
    - (C) Causing a reasonable pupil to experience substantial interference with the pupil's academic performance.
    - (D) Causing a reasonable pupil to experience substantial interference with the pupil's ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, or privileges provided by a school.
  - (2)(A) "Electronic act" means the creation or transmission originated on or off the schoolsite, by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone, or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager, of

- a communication, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- (i) A message, text, sound, video, or image
- (ii) A post on a social network internet website, including, but not limited to: (I) Posting to or creating a burn page. "Burn page" means an internet website created for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in paragraph (1); (II) Creating a credible impersonation of another actual pupil for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in paragraph (1). "Credible impersonation" means to knowingly and without consent impersonate a pupil for the purpose of bullying the pupil and such that another pupil would reasonably believe, or has reasonably believed, that the pupil was or is the pupil who was impersonated; (III) Creating a false profile for the purpose of having one or more of the effects listed in paragraph (1). "False profile" means a profile of a fictitious pupil or a profile using the likeness or attributes of an actual pupil other than the pupil who created the false profile.
- (iii) (I) An act of cyber sexual bullying; (II) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" means the dissemination of, or the solicitation or incitement to disseminate, a photograph or other visual recording by a pupil to another pupil or to school personnel by means of an electronic act that has or can be reasonably predicted to have one or more of the effects described in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1). A photograph or other visual recording, as described in this subclause, shall include the depiction of a nude, semi-nude, or sexually explicit photograph or other visual recording of a minor where the minor is identifiable from the photograph, visual recording, or other electronic act; (III) For purposes of this clause, "cyber sexual bullying" does not include a depiction, portrayal, or image that has any serious literary, artistic, educational, political, or scientific value or that involves athletic events or schoolsanctioned activities.

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- (B) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) and subparagraph (A), an electronic act shall not constitute pervasive conduct solely on the basis that it has been transmitted on the internet or is currently posted on the internet.
- (3) "Reasonable pupil" means a pupil, including, but not limited to, a pupil with exceptional needs, who exercises average care, skill, and judgment in conduct for a person of that age, or for a person of that age with the pupil's exceptional needs.
- (s) A pupil shall not be suspended or expelled for any of the acts enumerated in this section unless the act is related to a school activity or school attendance occurring within a school under the jurisdiction of the superintendent of the school district or principal or occurring within any other school district. A pupil may be suspended or expelled for acts that are enumerated in this section and related to a school activity or school attendance that occur at any time, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
  - (1) While on school grounds.
  - (2) While going to or coming from school.
  - (3) During the lunch period whether on or off the campus.
  - (4) During, or while going to or coming from, a school-sponsored activity.
- (t) A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, pursuant to this section, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (a).
- (u) As used in this section, "school property" includes, but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.
- (v) For a pupil subject to discipline under this section, a superintendent of the school district or principal is encouraged to provide alternatives to suspension or expulsion, using a research-based framework with strategies that improve behavioral and academic outcomes, that are age appropriate and designed to address and correct the pupil's specific misbehavior as specified in Section 48900.5.
- (w)(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that alternatives

- to suspension or expulsion be imposed against a pupil who is truant, tardy, or otherwise absent from school activities.
- (2) It is further the intent of the Legislature that the Multi-Tiered System of Supports, which includes restorative justice practices, trauma-informed practices, social and emotional learning, and schoolwide positive behavior interventions and support, may be used to help pupils gain critical social and emotional skills, receive support to help transform trauma-related responses, understand the impact of their actions, and develop meaningful methods for repairing harm to the school community. [EC 35291, 48900, 48901.1, 48910]

Additionally, sexual harassment, hate violence, harassment, intimidation (grades 4-12) and threats and terroristic threats against school officials or school property or both (all students) may be recommended for suspension or expulsion. [EC 212.5, 233(e), 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7]

Homework shall be provided for a student suspended for two (2) or more days upon request. Such homework turned in on time that cannot be graded in time, will not be included in the calculation of the pupil's grade in the class. [EC 48913.5]

#### ■ Mandatory Suspension/Expulsion

Education Code Section 48915(a): Except as provided in subdivisions (c) and (e), the principal or the superintendent of schools shall recommend the expulsion of a pupil for any of the following acts committed at school or at a school activity off school grounds, unless the principal or superintendent determines that expulsion should not be recommended under the circumstances or that an alternative means of correction would address the conduct:

- Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense.
- Possession of any knife, explosive, or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil.
- 3. Unlawful possession of any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, except for the first offense for the sale of not more than one avoirdupois ounce of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis.

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4. Robbery or extortion.

5. Assault or battery, as defined in Sections 240 and 242 of the Penal Code, upon any school employee.

Education Code Section 48915(c): The principal or superintendent of schools shall immediately suspend, pursuant to Section 48911, and shall recommend expulsion of a pupil that he or she determines has committed any of the following acts at school or at a school activity off school grounds:

- Possessing, selling, or otherwise furnishing a
  firearm. This subdivision does not apply to an act of
  possessing a firearm if the pupil had obtained prior
  or written permission to possess the firearm from a
  certificated school employee, which is concurred in
  by the principal or the designee of the principal. This
  subdivision applies to an act of possessing a firearm
  only if the possession is verified by an employee of a
  school district.
- 2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
- Unlawfully selling a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code.
- 4 Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 48900 or committing a sexual battery as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 48900.
- 5. Possession of an explosive.

#### Student Search

The school principal or designee may search the person of a student, the student's property, vehicle, and District property under the student's control if there is a reasonable suspicion to believe the student may have a concealed weapon, narcotics, stolen property, or contraband. Searches may be announced or unannounced, and the District may use drug-sniffing dogs if available. Employees shall not conduct strip searches or body cavity searches of any student. [EC 48900-48927, 49050-49051, 49330-49334; PC 626.9, 626.10]

#### Release of Student to Peace Officer

If a school official releases your child from school to a peace officer for the purpose of removing them from the school premises, the school official shall take immediate steps to notify you or a responsible relative of your child, except when a student has been taken into custody as a victim of suspected child abuse. In those cases, the peace officer will notify the parent or guardian. [EC 48906; PC 11165.6; WIC 305]

## DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

The District is primarily responsible for compliance with local, state and federal laws and regulations and has procedures to address allegations of unlawful discrimination, harassment, bullying, and complaints alleging violation of laws governing educational programs. Employees, students, parents or guardians, advisory committees, and other interested parties are advised how to file a complaint if they so desire.

## Discrimination, Protections, Complaints and Procedures

All pupils have the right to participate fully in the educational process, free from discrimination and harassment. Schools have an obligation to combat racism, sexism, and other forms of bias, and a responsibility to provide equal educational opportunity and ensure safe school sites.

The District is primarily responsible for compliance with local, state and federal laws and regulations and has procedures to address allegations of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against any protected individual or group including actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, ethnic group identification, race or ethnicity, ancestry, national origin, nationality, religion, mental or physical disability, age, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics in any district program, or activity that receives or benefits from local, state and federal financial assistance.

#### Nondiscrimination / Harassment

The district designates the individual(s) identified below as the employee(s) responsible for coordinating the district's efforts to comply with applicable state and federal civil rights laws, including Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and to answer inquiries regarding the district's nondiscrimination policies. The individual(s) shall also serve as the compliance officer(s) specified in AR 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures as the responsible employee to handle complaints alleging unlawful discrimination targeting a student, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, based on the student's actual or perceived race, color,

ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, or any other legally protected status or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. The coordinator/compliance officer(s) may be contacted at:

Ariane Zamudio, Human Resources Coordinator 2300 San Juan Highway, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045 (831) 623-4500 *azamudio@asjusd.k12.ca.us* 

#### Measures to Prevent Discrimination

- To prevent unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, and bullying, of students at district schools or in school activities and to ensure equal access of all students to the educational program, the Superintendent or designee shall implement the following measures:
  - Publicize the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures, including the coordinator/compliance officer's contact information, to students, parents/guardians, employees, volunteers, and the general public by posting them in prominent locations and providing easy access to them through district-supported communications
- 2. Post the district's policies and procedures prohibiting discrimination, harassment, student sexual harassment, intimidation, bullying, and cyberbullying, including a section on social media bullying that includes all of the references described in Education Code 234.6 as possible forums for social media, in a prominent location on the district's web site in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/guardians and students
- Post the definition of sex discrimination and harassment as described in Education Code 230, including the rights set forth in Education Code 221.8, in a prominent location on the district's web site in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/ guardians and students
- 4. Post in a prominent location on the district web site in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/ guardians and students information regarding Title IX prohibitions against discrimination based on a

student's sex, gender, gender identity, pregnancy, and parental status, including the following:

- a. The name and contact information of the district's Title IX coordinator, including the phone number and email address
- b. The rights of students and the public and the responsibilities of the district under Title IX, including a list of rights as specified in Education Code 221.8 and web links to information about those rights and responsibilities located on the web sites of the Office for Equal Opportunity and the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR)
- c. A description of how to file a complaint of noncompliance under Title IX in accordance with AR 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures, which shall include:
  - An explanation of the statute of limitations within which a complaint must be filed after an alleged incident of discrimination has occurred and how a complaint may be filed beyond the statute of limitations
  - ii. An explanation of how the complaint will be investigated and how the complainant may further pursue the complaint, including web links to this information on the OCR's web site
  - iii. A web link to the OCR complaints form and the contact information for the office, including the phone number and email address for the office
- d. A link to the Title IX information included on the California Department of Education's (CDE) web site
- 5. Post a link to statewide CDE-compiled resources, including community-based organizations, that provide support to youth who have been subjected to school-based discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying and to their families. Such resources shall be posted in a prominent location on the district's web site in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/guardians and students.
- 6. Provide to students a handbook that contains age-appropriate information that clearly describes the district's nondiscrimination policy, procedures for filing a complaint, and resources available to students who feel that they have been the victim of any such behavior.

- 7. Annually notify all students and parents/guardians of the district's nondiscrimination policy, including its responsibility to provide a safe, nondiscriminatory school environment for all students, including transgender and gender-nonconforming students. The notice shall inform students and parents/ guardians that they may request to meet with the compliance officer to determine how best to accommodate or resolve concerns that may arise from the district's implementation of its nondiscrimination policies. The notice shall also inform all students and parents/guardians that, to the extent possible, the district will address any individual student's interests and concerns in private.
- 8. Ensure that students and parents/guardians, including those with limited English proficiency, are notified of how to access the relevant information provided in the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures, notices, and forms in a language they can understand.
  - If 15 percent or more of students enrolled in a particular district school speak a single primary language other than English, the district's policy, regulation, forms, and notices concerning nondiscrimination shall be translated into that language in accordance with Education Code 234.1 and 48985. In all other instances, the district shall ensure meaningful access to all relevant information for parents/guardians with limited English proficiency.
- 9. Provide to students, employees, volunteers, and parents/guardians age-appropriate training and/or information regarding the district's nondiscrimination policy; what constitutes prohibited discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying; how and to whom a report of an incident should be made; and how to guard against segregating or stereotyping students when providing instruction, guidance, supervision, or other services to them. Such training and information shall include details of guidelines the district may use to provide a discrimination-free environment for all district students, including transgender and gendernonconforming students.
- 10.At the beginning of each school year, inform school employees that any employee who witnesses any act of unlawful discrimination, including

discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, against a student is required to intervene if it is safe to do so.

11.At the beginning of each school year, inform each principal or designee of the district's responsibility to provide appropriate assistance or resources to protect students from threatened or potentially discriminatory behavior and ensure their privacy rights.

#### **Enforcement of District Policy**

The Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate actions to reinforce BP 5145.3 – Nondiscrimination/Harassment. As needed, these actions may include any of the following:

- 1. Removing vulgar or offending graffiti
- Providing training to students, staff, and parents/ guardians about how to recognize unlawful discrimination, how to report it or file a complaint, and how to respond
- Disseminating and/or summarizing the district's policy and regulation regarding unlawful discrimination
- Consistent with laws regarding the confidentiality of student and personnel records, communicating to students, parents/guardians, and the community the school's response plan to unlawful discrimination or harassment
- 5. Taking appropriate disciplinary action against students, employees, and anyone determined to have engaged in wrongdoing in violation of district policy, including any student who is found to have filed a complaint of discrimination that the student knew was not true

## Process for Initiating and Responding to Complaints

Students who feel that they have been subjected to unlawful discrimination described above or in district policy are strongly encouraged to immediately contact the compliance officer, principal, or any other staff member. In addition, students who observe any such incident are strongly encouraged to report the incident to the compliance officer or principal, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

Any school employee who observes an incident of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, or

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to whom such an incident is reported shall report the incident to the compliance officer or principal within a school day, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

Any school employee who witnesses an incident of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, shall immediately intervene to stop the incident when it is safe to do so.

When a verbal report of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, is made to or received by the principal or compliance officer, the principal or compliance officer shall make a note of the report and encourage the student or parent/guardian to file the complaint in writing, pursuant to the provisions in AR 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures. Once notified verbally or in writing, the principal or compliance officer shall begin the investigation and shall implement immediate measures necessary to stop the discrimination and ensure that all students have access to the educational program and a safe school environment. Any interim measures adopted to address unlawful discrimination shall, to the extent possible, not disadvantage the complainant or a student who is the victim of the alleged unlawful discrimination.

Any report or complaint alleging unlawful discrimination by the principal, compliance officer, or any other person to whom a report would ordinarily be made or complaint filed shall instead be made to or filed with the Superintendent or designee who shall determine how the complaint will be investigated.

## <u>Transgender and Gender-Nonconforming</u> Students

Gender identity of a student means the student's gender-related identity, appearance, or behavior as determined from the student's internal sense, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance, or behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the student's physiology or assigned sex at birth.

Gender expression means a student's gender-related appearance and behavior, whether stereotypically associated with the student's assigned sex at birth.

Gender transition refers to the process in which a student changes from living and identifying as the sex assigned to the student at birth to living and identifying as the sex that corresponds to the student's gender identity.

Gender-nonconforming student means a student whose gender expression differs from stereotypical expectations.

Transgender student means a student whose gender identity is different from the gender assigned at birth.

The district prohibits acts of verbal, nonverbal, or physical aggression, intimidation, or hostility that are based on sex, gender identity, or gender expression, or that have the purpose or effect of producing a negative impact on the student's academic performance or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment, regardless of whether the acts are sexual in nature. Examples of the types of conduct which are prohibited in the district and which may constitute gender-based harassment include, but are not limited to:

- Refusing to address a student by a name and the pronouns consistent with the student's gender identity
- Disciplining or disparaging a student or excluding the student from participating in activities, for behavior or appearance that is consistent with the student's gender identity or that does not conform to stereotypical notions of masculinity or femininity, as applicable
- 3. Blocking a student's entry to the restroom that corresponds to the student's gender identity
- Taunting a student because the student participates in an athletic activity more typically favored by a student of the other sex
- Revealing a student's transgender status to individuals who do not have a legitimate need for the information, without the student's consent
- 6. Using gender-specific slurs
- Physically assaulting a student motivated by hostility toward the student because of the student's gender, gender identity, or gender expression

The district's uniform complaint procedures (AR 1312.3) shall be used to report and resolve complaints alleging discrimination against transgender and gendernonconforming students.

Examples of bases for complaints include, but are not limited to, the above list, as well as improper rejection by the district of a student's asserted gender identity, denial of access to facilities that correspond with a student's gender identity, improper disclosure of a student's transgender status, discriminatory

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enforcement of a dress code, and other instances of gender-based harassment.

To ensure that transgender and gendernonconforming students are afforded the same rights, benefits, and protections provided to all students by law and Board policy, the district shall address each situation on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. Right to privacy: A student's transgender or gendernonconforming status is the student's private information and the district shall only disclose the information to others with the student's prior written consent, except when the disclosure is otherwise required by law or when the district has compelling evidence that disclosure is necessary to preserve the student's physical or mental well-being. In any case, the district shall only allow disclosure of a student's personally identifiable information to employees with a legitimate educational interest as determined by the district pursuant to 99.31. Any district employee to whom a student's transgender or gender-nonconforming status is disclosed shall keep the student's information confidential. When disclosure of a student's gender identity is made to a district employee by a student, the employee shall seek the student's permission to notify the compliance officer. If the student refuses to give permission, the employee shall keep the student's information confidential, unless the employee is required to disclose or report the student's information pursuant to this administrative regulation, and shall inform the student that honoring the student's request may limit the district's ability to meet the student's needs related to the student's status as a transgender or gendernonconforming student. If the student permits the employee to notify the compliance officer, the employee shall do so within three school days.

As appropriate given the student's need for support, the compliance officer may discuss with the student any need to disclose the student's transgender or gender-nonconformity status or gender identity or gender expression to the student's parents/guardians and/or others, including other students, teacher(s), or other adults on campus. The district shall offer support services, such as counseling, to students who wish to inform their parents/guardians of their status and desire assistance in doing so.

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2. Determining a Student's Gender Identity: The

- compliance officer shall accept the student's assertion of gender identity and begin to treat the student consistent with that gender identity unless district personnel present a credible and supportable basis for believing that the student's assertion is for an improper purpose.
- 3. Addressing a Student's Transition Needs: The compliance officer shall arrange a meeting with the student and, if appropriate, the student's parents/ guardians to identify and develop strategies for ensuring that the student's access to educational programs and activities is maintained. The meeting shall discuss the transgender or gendernonconforming student's rights and how those rights may affect and be affected by the rights of other students and shall address specific subjects related to the student's access to facilities and to academic or educational support programs, services, or activities, including, but not limited to, sports and other competitive endeavors. In addition, the compliance officer shall identify specific school site employee(s) to whom the student may report any problem related to the student's status as a transgender or gender-nonconforming individual, so that prompt action can be taken to address it. Alternatively, if appropriate and desired by the student, the school may form a support team for the student that will meet periodically to assess whether the arrangements for the student are meeting the student's educational needs and providing equal access to programs and activities, educate appropriate staff about the student's transition, and serve as a resource to the student to better protect the student from gender-based discrimination.
- 4. Accessibility to Sex-Segregated Facilities, Programs, and Activities: When the district maintains sexsegregated facilities, such as restrooms and locker rooms, or offers sex-segregated programs and activities, such as physical education classes, intermural sports, and interscholastic athletic programs, students shall be permitted to access facilities and participate in programs and activities consistent with their gender identity. To address any student's privacy concerns in using sex-segregated facilities, the district shall offer available options such as a gender-neutral or single-use restroom or changing area, a bathroom stall with a door, an area in the locker room separated by a curtain or screen, or use of the locker room before or after the other students. However, the district shall not require

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- a student to utilize these options because the student is transgender or gender-nonconforming. In addition, a student shall be permitted to participate in accordance with the student's gender identity in other circumstances where students are separated by gender, such as for class discussions, yearbook pictures, and field trips. A student's right to participate in a sex-segregated activity in accordance with the student's gender identity shall not render invalid or inapplicable any other eligibility rule established for participation in the activity.
- 5. Student Records: A student's legal name or gender as entered on the mandatory student record required pursuant to 432 shall only be changed with proper documentation. When a student presents government-issued documentation of a name and/ or gender change or submits a request for a name and/or gender change through the process specified in Education Code 49070, the district shall update the student's records.
- 6. Names and Pronouns: If a student so chooses, district personnel shall be required to address the student by a name and the pronoun(s) consistent with the student's gender identity, without the necessity of a court order or a change to the student's official district record. However, inadvertent slips or honest mistakes by district personnel in the use of the student's name and/or consistent pronouns will, in general, not constitute a violation of this administrative regulation or the accompanying district policy.
- 7. Uniforms/Dress Code: A student has the right to dress in a manner consistent with the student's gender identity, subject to any dress code adopted on a school site. [BP 5145.3 June 2020; EC 200-262.4, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48904, 48907, 48950, 48985, 49020-49023, 49060-49079, 51500, 51501, 60044; 5 CCR 432, 4600-4670, 4900-4965; CC 1714.1; GC 11135; PC 422.55, 422.6; 20 USC 1681-1688; § 504; Title VI; Title VII; Title IX; 42 USC 12101-12213, 6101-6107; 28 CFR 35.107; 34 CFR 100.3, 104.7, 104.8, 106.8, 106.9, 110.25, 99.31]

#### Sexual Harassment

The Board of Trustees is committed to maintaining a safe school environment that is free from harassment and discrimination. The Board prohibits, at school or at school-sponsored or school-related activities, sexual harassment targeted at any student by anyone. The Board also prohibits retaliatory behavior or action

against any person who reports, files a complaint or testifies about, or otherwise supports a complainant in alleging sexual harassment.

The district strongly encourages students who feel that they are being or have been sexually harassed on school grounds or at a school-sponsored or school-related activity by another student or an adult, or who have experienced off-campus sexual harassment that has a continuing effect on campus, to immediately contact their teacher, the principal, the district's Title IX Coordinator, or any other available school employee. Any employee who receives a report or observes an incident of sexual harassment shall notify the Title IX Coordinator.

Once notified, the Title IX Coordinator shall ensure the complaint or allegation is addressed through AR 5145.71 – Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures or BP/AR 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures, as applicable. Because a complaint or allegation that is dismissed or denied under the Title IX complaint procedure may still be subject to consideration under state law, the Title IX Coordinator shall ensure that any implementation of AR 5145.71 concurrently meets the requirements of BP/AR 1312.3.

The Title IX Coordinator shall offer supportive measures to the complainant and respondent, as deemed appropriate under the circumstances.

The Superintendent or designee shall inform students and parents/guardians of the district's sexual harassment policy by disseminating it through parent/guardian notifications, publishing it on the district's web site, and including it in student and staff handbooks. All district staff shall be trained regarding the policy.

#### Instruction/Information

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district students receive age-appropriate information on sexual harassment. Such instruction and information shall include:

- What acts and behavior constitute sexual harassment, including the fact that sexual harassment could occur between people of the same sex and could involve sexual violence
- 2. A clear message that students do not have to endure sexual harassment under any circumstance
- 3. Encouragement to report observed incidents of sexual harassment even when the alleged victim of the harassment has not complained

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- 4. A clear message that student safety is the district's primary concern, and that any separate rule violation involving an alleged victim or any other person reporting a sexual harassment incident will be addressed separately and will not affect the manner in which the sexual harassment complaint will be received, investigated, or resolved
- 5. A clear message that, regardless of a complainant's noncompliance with the writing, timeline, or other formal filing requirements, every sexual harassment allegation that involves a student, whether as the complainant, respondent, or victim of the harassment, shall be investigated and action shall be taken to respond to harassment, prevent recurrence, and address any continuing effect on students
- 6. Information about the district's procedures for investigating complaints and the person(s) to whom a report of sexual harassment should be made
- 7. Information about the rights of students and parents/guardians to file a civil or criminal complaint, as applicable, including the right to file a civil or criminal complaint while the district investigation of a sexual harassment complaint continues
- A clear message that, when needed, the district will implement supportive measures to ensure a safe school environment for a student who is the complainant or victim of sexual harassment and/or other students during an investigation

#### **Disciplinary Actions**

Upon completion of an investigation of a sexual harassment complaint, any student found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual violence in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action. For students in grades 4-12, disciplinary action may include suspension and/or expulsion, provided that, in imposing such discipline, the entire circumstances of the incident(s) shall be taken into account.

Upon investigation of a sexual harassment complaint, any employee found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual violence toward any student shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, in accordance with law and the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

#### **Record-Keeping**

In accordance with law and district policies and

regulations, the Superintendent or designee shall maintain a record of all reported cases of sexual harassment to enable the district to monitor, address, and prevent repetitive harassing behavior in district schools. [BP 5145.7 November 2020; EC 200-262.4, 48900, 48900.2, 48904, 48980; 5 CCR 4600-4670, 4900-4965; CC 1714.1, 51.9; GC 12950.1; FERPA; 20 USC 1221, 1681-1688; Title VI; Title VII; 42 USC 1983; 34 CFR 106.1-106.71]

#### **Administrative Regulation**

#### **Definitions**

Sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, unwanted requests for sexual favors, or other unwanted verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature made against another person of the same or opposite sex in the educational setting, under any of the following conditions:

- 1. Submission to the conduct is explicitly or implicitly made a term or condition of a student's academic status or progress.
- Submission to or rejection of the conduct by a student is used as the basis for academic decisions affecting the student.
- The conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact on the student's academic performance or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment.
- 4. Submission to or rejection of the conduct by the student is used as the basis for any decision affecting the student regarding benefits and services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through any district program or activity.

Any prohibited conduct that occurs off campus or outside of school-related or school-sponsored programs or activities will be regarded as sexual harassment in violation of district policy if it has a continuing effect on or creates a hostile school environment for the complainant or victim of the conduct.

For purposes of applying the complaint procedures specified in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, sexual harassment is defined as any of the following forms of conduct that occurs in an education program or activity in which a district school exercises substantial control over the context and respondent:

1. A district employee conditioning the provision of

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- a district aid, benefit, or service on the student's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct
- Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a student equal access to the district's education program or activity
- Sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking as defined in 20 USC 1092 or 34 USC 12291

#### **Examples of Sexual Harassment**

Examples of types of conduct which are prohibited in the district and which may constitute sexual harassment under state and/or federal law, in accordance with the definitions above, include, but are not limited to:

- Unwelcome leering, sexual flirtations, or propositions
- Unwelcome sexual slurs, epithets, threats, verbal abuse, derogatory comments, or sexually degrading descriptions
- 3. Graphic verbal comments about an individual's body or overly personal conversation
- 4. Sexual jokes, derogatory posters, notes, stories, cartoons, drawings, pictures, obscene gestures, or computer-generated images of a sexual nature
- 5. Spreading sexual rumors
- 6. Teasing or sexual remarks about students enrolled in a predominantly single-sex class
- 7. Massaging, grabbing, fondling, stroking, or brushing the body
- 8. Touching an individual's body or clothes in a sexual way
- 9. Impeding or blocking movements or any physical interference with school activities when directed at an individual on the basis of sex
- 10. Displaying sexually suggestive objects
- 11. Sexual assault, sexual battery, or sexual coercion
- 12. Electronic communications containing comments, words, or images described above

#### Title IX Coordinator/Compliance Officer

The district designates the following individual(s) as the responsible employee(s) to coordinate its efforts to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 in accordance with AR 5145.71 – Title IX

Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures, as well as to oversee investigate, and/or resolve sexual harassment complaints processed under AR 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures. The Title IX Coordinator(s) may be contacted at:

Ariane Zamudio, Human Resources Coordinator 2300 San Juan Highway, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045 (831) 623-4500 <u>azamudio@asjusd.k12.ca.us</u>

#### **Notifications**

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and parents/guardians that the district does not discriminate on the basis of sex as required by Title IX and that inquiries about the application of Title IX to the district may be referred to the district's Title IX Coordinator and/or to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education.

The district shall notify students and parents/guardians of the name or title, office address, email address, and telephone number of the district's Title IX Coordinator.

A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and regulation shall:

- Be included in the notifications that are sent to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year
- Be displayed in a prominent location in the main administrative building or other area where notices of district rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct are posted
- 3. Be summarized on a poster which shall be prominently and conspicuously displayed in each bathroom and locker room at each school. The poster may be displayed in public areas that are accessible to and frequented by students, including, but not limited to, classrooms, hallways, gymnasiums, auditoriums, and cafeterias. The poster shall display the rules and procedures for reporting a charge of sexual harassment; the name, phone number, and email address of an appropriate school employee to contact to report a charge of sexual harassment; the rights of the reporting student, the complainant, and the respondent; and the responsibilities of the school.
- Be posted, along with the name or title and contact information of the Title IX Coordinator, in a prominent location on the district's web site

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- in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/guardians and students.
- Be provided as part of any orientation program conducted for new and continuing students at the beginning of each quarter, semester, or summer session
- Appear in any school or district publication that sets forth the school's or district's comprehensive rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct
- Be included, along with the name or title and contact information of the Title IX Coordinator, in any handbook provided to students or parents/ guardians

The Superintendent or designee shall also post the definition of sex discrimination and harassment as described in Education Code 230, including the rights set forth in Education Code 221.8, in a prominent location on the district's web site in a manner that is easily accessible to parents/guardians and students.

#### **Reporting Complaints**

A student or parent/guardian who believes that the student has been subjected to sexual harassment by another student, an employee, or a third party or who has witnessed sexual harassment is strongly encouraged to report the incident to a teacher, the principal, the district's Title IX Coordinator, or any other available school employee. Within one school day of receiving such a report, the principal or other school employee shall forward the report to the district's Title IX Coordinator. Any school employee who observes an incident of sexual harassment involving a student shall, within one school day, report the observation to the principal or Title IX Coordinator. The report shall be made regardless of whether the alleged victim files a formal complaint or requests confidentiality.

When a report or complaint of sexual harassment involves off-campus conduct, the Title IX Coordinator shall assess whether the conduct may create or contribute to the creation of a hostile school environment. If the Title IX Coordinator determines that a hostile environment may be created, the complaint shall be investigated and resolved in the same manner as if the prohibited conduct occurred at school.

When a verbal or informal report of sexual harassment is submitted, the Title IX Coordinator shall inform the student or parent/guardian of the right to file a formal written complaint in accordance with applicable district complaint procedures.

#### **Complaint Procedures**

All complaints and allegations of sexual harassment by and against students shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with law and district procedures. The Title IX Coordinator shall review the allegations to determine the applicable procedure for responding to the complaint. All complaints that meet the definition of sexual harassment under Title IX shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with AR 5145.71 – Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures. Other sexual harassment complaints shall be investigated and resolved pursuant to BP/AR 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures.

If sexual harassment is found following an investigation, the Title IX Coordinator, or designee in consultation with the Coordinator, shall take prompt action to stop the sexual harassment, prevent recurrence, implement remedies, and address any continuing effects. [AR 5145.7 November 2020]

Complaints Regarding Discrimination, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Exceptional Needs Students, Categorical Programs, Federally Funded Programs

The district prohibits the following, and shall follow uniform complaint procedures when addressing complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, or bullying against any protected individual or group identified under Board Policy, Education Code, California Code of Regulations, Penal Code, or Government Code including actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, historically associated racial traits, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnicity, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics in any district program or activity that receives or benefits from state financial assistance.

District is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education and in employment. The District shall promote programs that ensure non-discriminatory practices in all District activities. Information about district programs and services and links to community and statewide resources related to: suicide prevention; sex discrimination including Title IX

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information; hate violence; sexual harassment including the District's Policy (also included in this booklet); harassment, intimidation, bullying; and cyber-bullying including social-media bullying are available on the District's website at <u>asjusd.k12.ca.us</u>. You may contact your school's office or the District office to obtain a free copy of the district's complaint procedures. If you want further details in this regard, or if you believe your or your child(ren) have been subjected to the above and wish to file a complaint, please contact the District official responsible for compliance with Title V, Title VI, Title IX, § 504, and Uniform Complaints. The Governing Board designates the following compliance officer(s) to receive and investigate all complaints and ensure district compliance with law:

Ariane Zamudio, Human Resources Coordinator 2300 San Juan Highway, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045 (831) 623-4500 <u>azamudio@asjusd.k12.ca.us</u>

The Uniform Complaint Procedure can be used in cases of discrimination or a violation of a federal or state law within the following programs as identified by the District's Board Policies: adult education, career/ technical education, technical training, ROP programs and centers, Agricultural Vocational Education, child development, State Preschool, Early Childhood Education Program Assessments, Consolidated Categorical Aid, Economic Impact Aid, LCAP, State Compensatory Education, State Program for Students of Limited English Proficiency, school improvement, tenthgrade counseling, tobacco-use prevention education, Peer Assistance and Review, Migrant and Indian Education, American Indian Education Centers, Bilingual Education, nutrition services, special education, after school education and safety, homeless or foster youth education options, course content, physical education (including instructional minutes grades 1-6), discrimination, harassment, intimidation, bullying, pupil lactation accommodations, pupil fees, Civil Rights Guarantees that receive state or federal financial assistance, ESEA (Titles I-VII), Williams Settlement issues, school safety plan, safe place to learn, School Safety and Violence Prevention Act, and other areas designated by the District. [EC 200, 201, 220, 221.6, 221.61, 221.8, 230, 231.5, 233, 234 et seq., 234.6, 260 et seg., 262.3, 48853, 48853.5, 49010-49013, 49069.5, 51210, 51223, 51225.2, 51228.3, 52075, 52334.7, 56500.2, 56501; PC 422.55; 5 CCR 4600- 4687; CC 51-53; GC 11135, 12900; 20 USC 1400 et seq.; EOA; Title VI; Title VII; Title IX; § 504; IDEA; 34 CFR 106.9]

#### **District's Uniform Complaint Process**

You may contact your school's office or the District office to obtain a free copy of the district's complaint procedures. The complaint procedure can be used for a variety of issues not mentioned above including but not limited to employee issues and policies and procedures of the district. Confidentiality and privacy shall be respected in all complaint investigations. Complaints alleging discrimination may be filed by a person on their own behalf or on behalf of another person or group of people within six months of the occurrence or when facts became known. Complaints regarding a special needs student or pupil fees may be filed within 12 months of the occurrence. Complaints regarding LCAP may be filed anonymously. Complaints regarding Pupil Fees may be filed anonymously and with the principal. If a complaint regarding LCAP or pupil fees is valid, then the parents are due full reimbursement. Staff has been trained to deal with these types of complaints.

Complainants are protected from retaliation and their identities are confidential when related to discrimination. Staff dealing with complaints are knowledgeable about the laws and programs they are investigating. The complaint may be dismissed if complainant obstructs or does not provide all information. If the District acts in the same manner, the finding may be affected.

- Complaints made under this procedure shall be directed to the Uniform Complaint Officer who is responsible for processing the claims. A complaint under the Uniform Complaint Procedure should be completed within 60 days from the receipt of the complaint. The Superintendent and complainant may agree in writing to extend the timeline.
- 2. You may contact the UCP Officer to obtain a copy of the complaint process.
- 3. You may choose to have your complaint mediated.
- 4. There shall be an investigative meeting after receiving the complaint.
- 5. The compliance officer shall send a written report about the investigation and decision. There are then five days to appeal to the Board of Education.
- 6. If not satisfied with the results the complainant has 15 days of receiving the LEA decision to appeal to the California Department of Education. The appeal must include a copy of the locally filed complaint and a copy of the LEA decision.
- 7. There is nothing in this process to preclude a

complainant from pursuing available civil law remedies outside of the district's complaint procedures. Such remedies may include mediation, attorneys, and legal remedies. State civil law remedies may include, but are not limited to: injunctions and restraining orders.

For discrimination complaints, 60 days must elapse from the time an appeal is filed with CDE before pursuing civil remedies except for an injunction. Complaints may also be forwarded to appropriate state or federal agencies in the following cases:

General Discrimination – Office of Civil Rights

<u>Child Abuse</u> – Department of Social Services, Protective Services Division, or law enforcement

<u>Discrimination/Nutritional Services</u> – U.S. Secretary of Agriculture

<u>Employment Discrimination</u> – Department of Fair Employment and Housing, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

General Education - this school district

<u>Health and Safety/Child Development</u> – Department of Social Services

Student Records – Family Policy Compliance
Office (FPCO), Student Privacy Policy Office, US
Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW,
Washington, DC 20202

[20 USC 11138; 34 CFR 300.510-511, 300.513; EC 235. 262.3, 33031, 33032, 33381, 48985, 56000-56885, 59000-59300, 64000(a); 5 CCR 4600, 4620-4632]

Complaints Regarding the Williams Settlement, Instructional Materials, Teacher Placement, and School Facilities

Parents should use the District Uniform Complaint Procedure with modifications as included, to identify and resolve any deficiencies regarding instructional materials; facility cleanliness, safety, emergency or urgent facility conditions that pose a health or safety threat to students; or staff, teacher vacancies or misassignments. [EC 8235.5, 35186]

#### Williams Settlement Complaint Procedure

A complaint form may be obtained, free of charge, at the school office, the district office, or downloaded from the district's Web site at <a href="https://www.asjusd.k12.ca.us">www.asjusd.k12.ca.us</a>, but the form need not be used to make a complaint. You may also download a copy of the California Department of Education complaint form from this Web

site, <u>www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc</u>. The Uniform Complaint Procedure shall be used for filing Williams related complaints with the following special circumstances applying:

- Forms can be turned into the principal or designee who will make every reasonable attempt to investigate.
- 2. Complaints beyond the site authority will be forwarded to the District within 10 days.
- Complaints may be filed anonymously. A response may be requested if complainant is identified and will be sent to the mailing address on complaint.
- 4. If the District is required to provide material in a foreign language based on California Department of Education census data and if requested, the response and report shall be written in English and the primary language in which the complaint was filed.
- 5. The form will have a box to request a response and indicate where to file the form.
- Valid complaints should be remedied within 30 days of receipt.
- Within 45 days of filing a complaint, notice should be sent to complainant when a response was requested. A principal will also inform the Superintendent of resolution in the same time frame.
- If unsatisfied with resolution a complainant may describe the complaint to the governing board at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- The District will report quarterly on the number of resolved and unresolved complaints and summarize data regarding complaints and resolutions to the county superintendent and the local governing board in public session making it part of the public records. [EC 35186, 48985]

#### **■** Further Information is Available

Further information regarding our district schools, programs, policies, and procedures is available to any interested person upon request to our district office. [FERPA, 34 CFR 99.7(b)]

#### **DISTRICT FACILITIES**

Management Plan for Asbestos-Containing Material

Parents and staff in District programs are notified

annually of asbestos findings in the site where programs are operated. An inspection conducted by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-accredited inspectors at San Juan School, 100 Nyland Drive, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045, identified those areas of asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM) having the potential for release of asbestos fibers (i.e., friable ACBM). However, none of these areas were found in locations normally occupied by students or faculty. All asbestos was removed during the renovation project. The Asbestos Management Plan is available for your use at the District Office. [40 CFR 763.93; ne]

#### Lead Poison

The district website has information about lead poisoning, including risks and effects of childhood lead exposure; blood lead screening tests for children enrolled in Medi-Cal; recommendations for children not enrolled in Medi-Cal who are at high risk of lead exposure and blood lead screening tests as required. The District will handout information to parents of district childcare or preschool programs. [HSC 105286]

#### Pesticide Use

The District is not planning to use any pesticide products at school facilities this school year. Should the District find that it does need to use any pesticide products, parents will receive identification of the products that includes the name, active ingredient(s), and date and location of application. Only fully certified pesticides can be used on school grounds. The identification includes the name and active ingredients. The school's Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM) is updated by July 1 each year. The IPM, pesticide names and active ingredients, and application dates (if any) are posted on the school and/or district website at <a href="https://www.asjusd.k12.ca.us">www.asjusd.k12.ca.us</a>.

Parents and guardians may register with the school or district if they wish to receive notification of pesticide applications at a particular school or facility. Notice of an application and written notice of unlisted pesticide use will be given 72 hours in advance. For an emergency application, 72 hours notice will be the goal. Each area of the school where pesticide is being used will be identified by a posted warning 24 hours before (or upon application, if an emergency) through 72 hours after use. Further information is available from the California Department of Pesticide Regulation, P.O. Box 4015, Sacramento, CA 95812-4015, <a href="www.cdpr.ca.gov">www.cdpr.ca.gov</a>. [EC 17610.1, 17612, 48980; FAC 13184]

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#### **USER APPLICATION AND WAIVER FOR COMPUTER NETWORK SERVICES 2021-2022**

REQUIRED FORM The Aromas-San Juan Unified School District recognizes the educational benefits of using the Internet for staff and students. District administration shall develop and implement rules and procedures for proper Internet use, ensuring the best

educational opportunity for all users.						
STUDENT APPLICATION SECTION						
LAST NAME:	FIRST NAME:					
(Please Print)						
HOMEROOM TEACHER:	GRADE:					
	ol District's Computer Network Services Administrative Regulation and agree to					
abide by its provisions. I understand that violation of the acceptable use provisions stated in the regulations may result in loss of						
network privileges, suspension, or other appropria						
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SIGNATURE:(Student's Signature)	Date					
SPONSORING PARENT OR GUARDIAN (if stu	ident under 18 years of age)					
that I am ultimately responsible for my child's acti	ol District's Computer Network Services Administrative Regulation. I understand ons on the District's computer networks and release Aromas-San Juan Unified ages incurred through inappropriate or prohibited use. I hereby give permission to information on this form is correct.					
SIGNATURE:						
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HOME ADDRESS:						
PHONE:	NOTE:Student application must be renewed each academic year.					
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Students Only STI	ENT OR STUDENT CONSENT FORM FOR RELEASE OF  JDENT NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER  ested to provide the names, addresses and telephone numbers of students to  do not have to participate in this program.					
If you are a student 18 years of age or older, you have the right to request that the information not be released without prior						
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I DO NOT AUTHORIZE Anzar High School to disclose my child's/my name, address and telephone number as part of the school directory.	Colleges and other educational institutions					
	Prospective employers					
If you do not return this form, Anzar High Schothe student's name, address and telephone numb	ool will assume that you do authorize us to release the requested information, and er will be released.					
STUDENT'S NAME	GRADE					

Date

(Parent or Guardian Signature if student is under 18)

## REQUIRED FORM

# SAN BENITO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISCLOSURE TO PATIENT OR PARENT/GUARDIAN ON IMMUNIZATION RECORD SHARING WITH REGISTRIES (Prepared pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 120440)

This office will share some information on your child with the local public health department immunization registry and the state health department, unless you refuse to allow this. The registry may share this information with other doctors, clinics or hospitals your child goes to for care, if they ask for it. The only information we will share is:

Your and your child's name, your child's date of birth, your child's birthplace, vaccines he or she has received, any serious reaction he or she had to a vaccine, your address and phone number, and other non-medical information if needed to make sure it is the correct person's record

The doctors, clinics or hospitals which get this information can use it only to:

- · Help in deciding what vaccines your child needs;
- Phone or send you a reminder when a vaccine is due; and
- Tally numbers of patients who are or are not up-to-date on their vaccines

The registry may also share the same information with the following, if they request it: schools, child care centers, WIC

supplemental food clinics, the Cal Works public assistance program, health care plans, and other persons or entities when disclosure is otherwise specifically authorized by law. These persons and entities can use that information only for the reasons listed above, and (a) for schools or child care centers, to help you prove your child has had the vaccines required for entry, (b) for WIC clinics, to let you know if your child has vaccine doses due, and (c) for the health care plans, to help process insurance payments.

All of these people and groups listed above who ask for and get this information are required by law to keep it confidential and use it only for the reasons listed above. Also, you have these rights:

- To refuse to have us share any of this information now or at any time.
- To refuse to get reminder notices when vaccines are due.
- To look at your child's record at the health department registry and correct any errors.
- To get names and addresses of anyone with whom this information is shared.

CHILD'S NAME:		DATE OF BIRTH:			
ADDRESS:					
		PHONE:			
AUTHORIZATION TO SHARE INFORMATION 2021-2022					
(INITIALS)	S S	escribed above regarding this child's immunization record Registry or State Department of Health Services. This			
OBJECTION TO SHARING OF INFORMATION 2021-2022 / REFUSAL TO RECEIVE REMINDERS 2021-2022 (Place your initials next to the statements that reflect your preferences)					
The following statement(s) accurately reflect my views:					
(INITIALS)	I do not want this clinic to share the information described above regarding this child's immunization record with the Public Health Department Immunization Registry or State Department of Health Services.				
(INITIALS)	I do not wish to receive reminder notices when	accines are due.			
SIGNATURE:	(Parent or Guardian Signature)				
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# CHKS is conducted in grades 7, 9, and 11. It can help schools and districts identify areas of student and school strengths and weaknesses, and give districts the data to make informed decisions. All 7, 9, and 11th graders will be given the survey unless the district hears from the parents. Parents of 7, 9 and 11th graders who do not want their children to participate may use this form to opt out. I do not give permission for my 7, 9, or 11th grader to take the CHKS. STUDENT'S NAME: GRADE: SIGNATURE:

(Parent or Guardian Signature if student is under 18)