

NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS 2025-2026

As required by law, you are hereby notified of the following:

1. Absence for Religious Exercise:

With the written consent of their parents or guardians, pupils may be excused from school for religious purposes or to receive moral and religious instruction at their respective places of worship or at other suitable place or places away from school property designated by the religious group, church, or denomination at a place away from school property. [EC 46014].

2. Objection To Dissecting, Harming, Or Destroying Animals:

A pupil may refuse to participate in animal dissection and experimentation with parent written substantiation. [EC 32255.1 and 32255 - 32255.6].

3. Grade Reduction:

No pupil may have his/her grade reduced or lose academic credit for any absence or absences excused pursuant to EC 48205 when missed assignments and tests, that can reasonably be provided, are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable time period [EC 48980(i)]. (Full text of EC 48205 [Attachment -1](#))

4. Individualized Instruction Due to Temporary Disability:

A pupil with a temporary disability shall be cause for a pupil to receive individual instruction. [EC 48206.3 et seq.].

5. Notification of Minimum and Pupil Free Staff Development School Days:

The schedule of minimum days and pupil free staff development days for schools within the District/County Office of Education (COE) is attached ([Attachment – 2](#)). Parents/guardians will be notified of minimum days and pupil-free staff development days not yet scheduled at least one month before the scheduled minimum or pupil-free day. [EC 48980(c)].

6. Residence When Hospitalized:

Notwithstanding compulsory education requirements, a pupil with a temporary disability who is in a hospital or other residential health facility, except for a state hospital, which is located outside of the school district in which the pupil's parent/guardian resides, shall be deemed to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance in the school district in which the hospital is located. It shall be the primary responsibility of the parent/guardian of a pupil with temporary disability to notify the school district in which the pupil is deemed to reside of the pupil's presence in a qualifying hospital. [EC 48207; 48208].

7. Required Pupil Immunization:

School districts shall not unconditionally admit any student to a district elementary or secondary school, preschool, or childcare and development program for the first time nor, after July 1, 2016, admit or advance any student to the 7th grade level unless the student has been fully immunized. The student shall present documentation of full immunization, in accordance with the age/grade and dose required by the California Dept. of Public Health and Health and Safety Code Section 120335.

8. Immunization for Communicable Disease:

The school district, while cooperating with the local health officer, may permit a licensed physician and surgeon or other statutorily authorized health care practitioner to immunize pupils for a communicable disease with the written consent of a parent for a licensed physician and surgeon or health care practitioner. [EC 49403].

9. Cancer Prevention Act:

The parents and guardians of pupils admitted or advancing to the sixth grade level are hereby notified that the State of California advises that pupils adhere to current immunization guidelines, as recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Academy of Family Physicians, regarding full human papilloma virus (HPV) immunization before admission or advancement to the eighth grade level. HPV vaccination can prevent over 90 percent of cancers caused by HPV. HPV vaccines are very safe, and scientific research shows that the benefits of HPV vaccination far outweigh the potential risks. HPV immunization is recommended by the State Department of Public Health at ages 9-12. [EC§48980.4].

10. Administration of Medication:

Medication prescribed for a child to be administered during the regular school day may be assisted by a school nurse or other designated school personnel if the school district receives a written detailed statement from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant and a written parental request. Pupils may carry and self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine or inhaled asthma medication provided that written orders from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant (including a statement that the pupil is able to self-administer such medication), and written parental consent to the self-administration (including a release allowing a school nurse or other designated school personnel to consult with pupil's health care provider about the medication, and releasing the school district and school personnel from potential civil liability). [EC 49423; 49423.1].

11. Continuing Medication:

A pupil is required to inform the District/COE of any medication being taken, the current dosage, and the name of the supervising physician, if the pupil is on a continuing medication regimen for a non-episodic condition. The school nurse may communicate with the physician and may counsel with school personnel regarding the possible effects of the drug on the child's physical, intellectual, and social behavior, as well as possible behavioral signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omission, or overdose if provided consent by the pupil's parent or legal guardian. [EC 49480].

12. Synthetic Drugs:

Synthetic drugs that are not prescribed by a physician, such as fentanyl, are dangerous and can be deadly. Parents or guardians are informed of the possibility that dangerous synthetic drugs can be found in counterfeit pills and social media platforms may be used as a way to market and sell synthetic drugs, such as fentanyl. Additional information may be found on the District's website. [EC 48985.5]

13. Type 2 Diabetes:

Specific information on type 2 diabetes is available at www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/type2diabetes.asp. It is recommended that students possibly suffering from type 2 diabetes or having warning signs should be screened. [EC 49452.7].

14. Health Assessments and Evaluations:

Vision and hearing screening for a pupil by the school nurse or other qualified individual is provided during selected grade levels. A pupil whose first enrollment or entry occurs in grade 4 or 7 shall not be required to be screened in the year immediately following the pupil's first enrollment or entry. Scoliosis screening may be provided to girls in grade 7 and boys in grade 8. By May 31 of the school year, pupils when first enrolled in public schools are required to provide proof of an oral health assessment (within 12 months prior to enrollment) by a licensed dentist or other licensed or registered dental health professional. [EC 49452; 49452.5; 49454; 49455].

Any pupil, while enrolled in kindergarten, which includes TK, or while enrolled in first grade if the pupil was not previously enrolled in kindergarten, unless excused, must present proof no later than May 31 of the school year of having received an oral assessment by a licensed dentist or other licensed or registered dental health professional. The assessment must be performed no earlier than 12 months prior to initial enrollment of the pupil. Parents/guardians of such pupils will be notified of this assessment requirement [EC 49452.8].

15. Medical and Hospital Services:

The District/COE may provide, or make available, medical and/or hospital services for pupils injured at school or school-sponsored events or while being transported to same. [EC 49472]. Schools may release pupils, in grades 7 through 12 only, for the purpose of obtaining confidential medical services without the consent of the pupil's parent or guardian. [EC 46010.1].

16. Student Nutrition Program:

Free meals are available upon request to students. [EC 49501.5].

17. Fingerprinting:

The District/COE may provide a fingerprinting program for kindergarten or newly enrolled pupils. [EC 32390; 48980(e)].

18. Pupil Records:

Parents have a right to access all records relating to their children. The procedure used by the District/COE regarding the establishment and maintenance, transfer, access, challenge, and modification of pupil records is available to parents upon request. [EC 49063; 49069.7; 49070]. Certain directory information concerning pupils is also available to individuals other than parents. [EC 49073]. (Attachment – 3) As a feeder district, the District has a Data Sharing Agreement with the El Dorado Union High School District. Upon written request from the parent, the District/COE will withhold directory information about the student.

19. District/COE Pupil Discipline Rules:

The rules used by the District/COE pertaining to student discipline are available to all parents upon request. [EC 35291]. The rules may require that the parent of a suspended pupil may be required to attend a portion of a school day in the child's classroom. [EC 48900.1].

20. Nondiscrimination:

The District/COE does not discriminate on the basis of disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, age, immigration status, actual or potential parental, family, or marital status, pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery therefrom, or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any of its policies, practices, or procedures, programs, or activities, in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and related laws and regulations. [EC 200; 221.51]. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission and access to, and treatment and employment in, District/COE programs and activities, including vocational education and applies to all acts related to school activity or school attendance occurring within a school under the jurisdiction of the District/COE, and all acts of the governing board or body of the District/COE, the superintendent of the school district, and the county superintendent of schools in enacting policies and procedures that govern the District/COE. Inquiries regarding the equal opportunity policies, the filing of grievances or complaints, or to request a copy, free of charge, of the procedures covering discrimination complaints may be directed to the

District/County Superintendent of Schools, the District Title IX Coordinator, or the Office of Civil Rights, as appropriate. The lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to the admission and participation in District/COE programs. The District's Title IX Coordinator Keri Phillips may be contacted at the District Office, 1575 Old Ranch Road, Placerville, CA 95667, (530) 626-3194, kphillips@gtusd.org.

21. Services to Students Who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind, Visually Impaired, or Deaf-Blind:

Services are provided by the State Special Schools. Assessment services and technical assistance are also offered. For more information about the State Special Schools, please visit the California Department of Education Web site at www.cde.ca.gov/sp/ss/ or ask for more information from members of your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team.

22. Compulsory Education:

Each person between the ages of 6 and 18 years, not exempted under the provisions of Education Code, is subject to compulsory full-time education.

23. Residency Requirements-School Attendance Options:

A pupil complies with the residency requirements for school attendance in a school district, if he or she is any of the following:

A pupil who is a child of a military family pursuant to EC 48204.6;

A pupil placed within the boundaries of that school district in a regularly established licensed children's institution or a licensed foster home as defined in EC 56155.5 or a family home pursuant to a commitment or placement under Cal. Welf. & Inst. Code § 200 et seq.

A pupil who is a foster child who remains in his or her school of origin pursuant to EC 48853.5;

A pupil for whom interdistrict attendance has been approved pursuant to EC 46600 et seq;

A pupil whose residence is located within the boundaries of that school district and whose parent or legal guardian is relieved of responsibility, control, and authority through emancipation;

A pupil who lives in the home of a caregiving adult that is located within the boundaries of that school district. Execution of an affidavit under penalty of perjury pursuant to Cal. Fam. Code § 6550 et seq. by the caregiving adult is a sufficient basis for a determination that the pupil lives in the caregiver's home, unless the school district determines from actual facts that the pupil is not living in the caregiver's home;

A pupil residing in a state hospital located within the boundaries of that school district;

A pupil whose parent or legal guardian resides outside of the boundaries of that school district but is employed and lives with the pupil at the place of his or her employment within the boundaries of the school district for a minimum of three days during the school week;

A school district may deem a pupil to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance in the school district if at least one parent or the legal guardian of the pupil is physically employed within the boundaries of that school district for a minimum of 10 hours during the school week. [EC 48204].

Once a pupil is deemed to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance pursuant to EC 48204 and is enrolled in a school in a school district the boundaries of which include the location where at least one parent or the legal guardian of a pupil is physically employed, the pupil does not have to reapply in the next school year to attend a school within that school district and the governing board of the school district shall allow the pupil to attend school through grade 12 in that school district if the parent or legal guardian so chooses and if at least one parent or the legal guardian of the pupil continues to be physically employed by an employer situated within the attendance boundaries of the school district, subject to EC 48204 (b)(2) to (7), inclusive.

24. Notice of Alternative Schools:

California law authorizes all school districts to provide for alternative schools. [EC 58501]. ([Attachment - 4](#)).

25. Excuse from Sexual Health Education, HIV Education and Related Assessments:

Parents or guardians of a pupil have the right to excuse their child from all or part of comprehensive sexual health education, HIV prevention education, and assessments related to that education through a passive consent ("opt out") process. A request to excuse your child must be made in writing to the school district. [EC 51938]. You are hereby notified that:

Educational materials used in comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education are available for inspection.

- Comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education will be taught by school district personnel and/or by outside consultants.
- You have a right to request a copy of EC Part 28, Chapter 5.6 – California Healthy Youth Act.

If the District/COE elects to provide comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education by outside consultants, and/or by holding an assembly to deliver comprehensive sexual health education or HIV prevention education by guest speakers, the notice shall include the date of the instruction, the name of the organization or affiliation of each guest speaker, and information stating the right of the parent or guardian to request a copy of EC 51938, 51933, and 51934.

26. Pregnant and Parenting Students:

The District/COE will not exclude nor deny any pupil from any educational program or activity, including class or extracurricular activity, solely on the basis of the pupil's pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery therefrom [EC 221.51; 222.5; 46015]. Pregnant and parenting pupils are entitled to the following:

- Have their pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, and recovery therefrom treated in the same manner and under the same policies as any other temporary disabling condition;
- Provided with eight weeks of parental leave, (or more if medically necessary) which the pupil may take before the birth of the pupil's infant if there is a medical necessity and after childbirth during the school year in which the birth takes place, inclusive of any mandatory summer instruction, in order to protect the health of the pupil who gives or expects to give birth and the infant, and to allow the pregnant or parenting pupil to care for and bond with the infant;
- Return to the school and the course of study in which he or she was enrolled before taking parental leave and opportunities to make up work missed during his or her leave, including, but not limited to, makeup work plans and reenrollment in courses;
- Remain enrolled for a fifth year of instruction in the school in which the pupil was previously enrolled when it is necessary in order for the pupil to be able to complete state and any local graduation requirements, unless the District/COE makes a finding that the pupil is reasonably able to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements in time to graduate from high school by the end of the pupil's fourth year of high school;
- Provided with alternative education options should the pupil decide not to return from leave; and
- Not incur an academic penalty as a result of his or her use of the accommodations.

A complaint for noncompliance may be filed under the District/COE's Uniform Complaint Procedures. [See Paragraph 27].

27. Uniform Complaint Procedures "UCP":

The District/COE maintains a uniform complaint procedure for investigating complaints of: (1) discrimination on the basis of, but not limited to, age, sex, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, pupil parenting or pregnancy and/or childbirth, or mental or physical disability; (2) complaints of violations of the laws and regulations governing consolidated categorical aid programs, Adult Education, Career/Technical Education, Child Development, Special Education and Nutrition services; (3) impermissible pupil fees [EC 49010-49013]; and/or (4) violation of state and/or federal law. Additionally, Complaints regarding the educational rights of foster children as provided under EC 48853.5. The District/COE has designated compliance officers to receive and investigate uniform complaints that fall within these categories and ensure compliance with law.

A complaint may also be filed regarding the adoption or approval of the use of any textbook, instructional material, supplemental instructional materials, or curriculum for classroom instruction if the use of the textbook, instructional material, supplemental instructional materials, or curriculum would subject a pupil to unlawful discrimination pursuant to EC 220. Such a complaint may be filed by any member of the public, including anyone electing to file anonymously, if the complaint provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support an allegation. [EC 244].

Any individual, public agency, or organization may file a written complaint. Complaints alleging unlawful discrimination shall be initiated not later than six months from the date the alleged discrimination occurred, or the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged discrimination. Copies of the complaint form are available from the school or District/COE office. After filling out the complaint form, it should be directed to the District/COE compliance officer, Superintendent Keri Phillips. The compliance officer will investigate the complaint and provide a written report of the investigation and decision within 60 calendar days.

If dissatisfied with the District's/COE's decision, the complainant may also appeal in writing to the California Department of Education (CDE) within 15 days of receiving the District's/COE's decision.

A complainant may seek assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys. Civil law remedies that may be imposed by a state or federal court include, but are not limited to, injunctions and restraining orders. In a complaint of unlawful discrimination, complainant may seek civil law remedies no sooner than 60 days from the filing of an appeal with CDE, except that such time limitation does not apply to injunctive relief.

Additionally, any individual, public agency, or organization may file complaints about specified situations pertaining to instructional materials, emergency, or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health and safety of pupils or staff, and teacher vacancies or misassignments. Such complaints ("Williams Complaints") are subject to a different complaint procedure. Such a complaint may be filed anonymously and under certain circumstances may be filed directly with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

For more information concerning the filing of uniform complaints, copies of the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations pertaining to these complaint procedures are available upon request at the school or District/COE offices free of charge, or on the District/COE website at gtusd.org. [5 CCR 4600 et seq.]. ([Attachment – 5](#))

28. Sexual Harassment Policy:

Reports of alleged pupil sexual harassment in violation of District/COE policy or federal or state law will be handled pursuant to the attached policies and procedures established by the District/COE. The District/COE shall be responsible for providing written procedures regarding the process for reporting, investigating, and resolving such complaints. [EC 48980(f), 212.5, 231.5]. ([Attachment - 6](#))

29. School Accountability Report Card:

On or before February 1 of each year, parents are entitled to an updated hard copy of the School Accountability Report Card, which is available upon request. [EC 35256].

30. Curriculum:

The curriculum, including titles, descriptions, and instructional aims of every course offered by a public school shall be compiled at least once annually in a prospectus. The prospectus is available for review upon request and for copying at a reasonable charge. [EC 49091.14; 49063(k)].

31. Grants for Advanced Placement Tests:

Needy pupils may be eligible for state grants to cover the costs of advanced placement examinations. Contact the school for eligibility information. [EC 48980(j)].

32. Homeless and Foster Youth:

Information regarding educational options for homeless youth and foster youth is available by contacting the District/COE. [EC 48850 et seq.].

33. Pesticides:

The names of all pesticide products expected to be applied at a school site during the upcoming year are set forth on the attached list. CA Dept of Pesticide Regulation Information on pesticides and pesticide use reduction is available at <https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/healthy-schools-act/>. You may register with the school site if you wish to receive notification of individual pesticide applications at the school site. You have the right to view a copy of the school site plan in the school office [EC17612, 48980.3]. (District Attachment–7)

34. Asbestos:

You have the right to obtain an updated Management Plan for asbestos-containing material at your school site [40 CFR 763.93(g)(4); EC 49410 et seq.].

35. Tobacco-Free Campus:

Contact the school for information about the District/COE's tobacco-free campus policy, if any, and enforcement procedures. [H.&S. 104420].

36. Safety Plan

Each District/COE school has a Comprehensive school Safety Plan, which includes a disaster preparedness plan and emergency procedures. Copies are available at each school. Fire, earthquake, and emergency drills are held at each school site pursuant to school policy. [EC 32280 et seq.]

37. Statutory Attendance Options:

California law requires school districts to provide an education to any pupil who resides within the district's attendance area. Although pupils have the right to a free, public education, the law does not guarantee that a pupil can attend the school of his or her choice, or even the neighborhood school.

Existing statutory attendance options include interdistrict transfer, Allen Transfer, intradistrict transfer, open enrollment, ESSA, and District of Choice. Parents/guardians should contact the District/COE regarding any and all enrollment options.

Interdistrict Transfer

A pupil may attend a school in a district other than the pupil's district of residence pursuant to an interdistrict agreement between the district of residence and district of desired attendance. Each school district has adopted policies regarding interdistrict attendance. Parents/guardians wishing to enroll their pupil at a school district outside of their resident school district may obtain an application for interdistrict attendance transfer from the District/COE. Interdistrict transfer agreements must be approved by both the pupil's school district of residence and the school district to which the pupil seeks to transfer. The agreement may include terms or conditions. It is within the authority of either the school district of residence or the receiving school district to revoke an interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement at any time for any reason the school district governing board or school district superintendent deems appropriate. If a request for an interdistrict transfer agreement is denied, the pupil's parents/guardians may file an appeal to the county office of education in the pupil's school district of residence within 30 days of receipt of the official notice of denial of the transfer.

Allen Transfer

Education Code section 48204(b) permits a school district to deem a pupil to have complied with the residency requirements for attendance if at least one parent or the legal guardian of the pupil is physically employed within the boundaries of that school district for a minimum of 10 hours during the school week. School districts within which at least one parent/guardian of a pupil is employed are not required to admit the pupil to its schools. Once admitted the pupil may attend school in the district in which the parent or guardian is employed through grade 12 so long as the parent or guardian continues to be physically employed by an employer situated within the attendance boundaries of the school district, subject to certain conditions specified in EC 48204. As a resident, the pupil

does not have to reapply for the transfer to be valid.

Intradistrict Transfer

An intradistrict transfer applies when parents/guardians wish to register/admit/enroll their pupil(s) at a school other than the designated school that is in their attendance area within their school district. Each school district shall adopt rules and regulations establishing a policy of open enrollment within the district for residents of the district. This requirement does not apply to a school district that has only one school or a school district with schools that do not serve any of the same grade levels. EC 35160.5(b) permits parents to indicate a preference for the school that their child will attend, irrespective of the child's place of residence within the school district.

To the extent required and financed by federal law and at the request of the pupil's parent or guardian, each school district shall provide transportation assistance to the pupil. [EC 35160.5(b)(4)].

Open Enrollment

The Open Enrollment Act [EC 48350-48361] provides an option to pupils attending low-achieving schools within their "school district of residence" to enroll in schools with higher Academic Performance Indices (API). The Superintendent of Public Instruction creates an annual list of schools subject to the provisions of the Open Enrollment Act. Parents/guardians of pupils attending any of these schools may apply for admission to a higher achieving school by January 1. The receiving school district ("district of enrollment") may adopt specific standards for the acceptance and rejection of applications under this provision. These may include consideration of capacity issues as well as the potential adverse financial impact. While technically remaining law, the CDE has replaced the API.

Every Student Succeeds Act

Districts may provide alternative supports and public school choice.

Parents/guardians who are interested in finding out more about attendance and/or programmatic options should contact the District for more information on the District's policies, procedures, and timelines for applying for transfers. [EC 48980(h)]. (See Attachment #8 for list of enrollment options available to the pupils within the District)

District of Choice

A school district may elect to operate the school district as a school district of choice and may accept transfers from school districts of residence pursuant to EC 48300 et seq. Please contact the District office to determine applicability.

38. Notice of Teacher Qualifications

LEAs will ensure that all teachers working in a program supported with Title I, Part A funds meet applicable state certification and licensure requirements. At the beginning of each school year, an LEA that receives Title I funds shall notify the parents of each student attending any school receiving such funds that the parents may request, and the LEA will provide the parents on request (and in a timely manner), information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers, including at a minimum, the following: (20 U.S.C. sections 6312[c][6], 6312[e][1][A])

- a) Whether the student's teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][i])
- b) Whether the student's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][ii])
- c) Whether the student's teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][iii])
- d) Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications. (20 U.S.C. Section 6312[e][1][A][iv])

39. Electronic Notification:

This notice may be exclusively provided electronically provided a parent or guardian has so requested. [EC 48981, 48985].

40. State Mandated Testing Waivers:

According to EC 60615, if parents/guardians do not want their student to take all or part of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress System or other similar standardized test, they are required to submit a written request to the principal of their student's school. The principal must have this letter prior to the start of each test. Parents/guardians are required to specify the test name in the letter.

41. Special Education:

Special Education programs are available to all eligible students with disabilities, ages 0–22. If you have any reason to believe your child needs special education, please contact the school site administration. [EC 56301]. (District Attachment #9)

42. Foster and Homeless Youth, Pupils of Military Families, Former Juvenile Court School Pupils, Migratory Children, and High Mobility Pupils:

Foster or homeless youth, former juvenile court school pupils, pupils of military families, currently migratory children, and newcomer program participants in their third or fourth year of high school may be exempted from local graduation coursework requirements that

are in addition to state graduation requirements unless the District/COE makes a finding that the pupil is reasonably able to complete graduation requirements in time to graduate from high school by the end of the pupil's fourth year of high school. Such pupils shall not be required to accept the exemption or be denied enrollment in, or the ability to complete, courses for which the pupil is otherwise eligible, including courses necessary to attend an institution of higher education, regardless of whether those courses are required for statewide graduation requirements. The District/COE is also required to consult with an eligible pupil and the person holding the pupil's educational rights of the option to remain in school for a 5th year if the local educational agency determines the pupil is reasonably able to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements within the pupil's 5th year of high school. If the District/COE makes such a determination, they are required to:

- Consult with the pupil and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil regarding the pupil's option to remain in school for a fifth year to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements.
- Consult with the pupil, and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, about how remaining in school for a fifth year to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements will affect the pupil's ability to gain admission to a postsecondary educational institution.
- Consult with and provide information to the pupil about transfer opportunities available through the California Community Colleges.
- Permit the pupil to stay in school for a fifth year to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements upon agreement with the pupil, if the pupil is 18 years of age or older, or, if the pupil is under 18 years of age, upon agreement with the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil.
- For a pupil in foster care or a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, consult with the pupil, and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, regarding the pupil's option to remain in the pupil's school of origin, pursuant to EC 48852.7 for a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, or EC 48853.5 for a pupil in foster care.

The District/COE shall exempt an eligible pupil from the local educational agency's graduation requirements and provide the pupil the option to remain in school for a fifth year to complete the statewide coursework requirements if the District/COE determines that an eligible pupil is not reasonably able to complete the local educational agency's graduation requirements within the pupil's fifth year of high school, but is reasonably able to complete the statewide coursework requirements specified in EC 51225.3.

The District/COE shall be required to reevaluate eligibility when a pupil is determined to be not eligible for an exemption and provide written notice to the pupil, the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, and the pupil's social worker or probation officer, if applicable, whether the pupil qualifies for an exemption within the first 30 calendar days of the following academic year. Pupils in foster care may not have their grades lowered due to absences under certain circumstances, like a change in placement or court attendance. Eligible pupils who may qualify for the exemption from local graduation requirements are entitled to notice of the exemption within 30 calendar days of the date the pupil transfers into a school.

In addition to other requirements, the District/COE is required to accept coursework satisfactorily completed by a pupil in foster care, a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, a former juvenile court school pupil, a pupil who is a child of a military family, a pupil who is a migratory child, or a pupil participating in a newcomer program while attending another public school, a juvenile court school, a charter school, a school in a country other than the United States, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency even if the pupil did not complete the entire course and shall issue that pupil full or partial credit for the coursework completed. Eligible pupils shall not be required to retake a course if the pupil has satisfactorily completed the entire course in a public school, a juvenile court school, a charter school, a school in a country other than the United States, or a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. If the pupil did not complete the entire course, the local educational agency shall not require the pupil to retake the portion of the course the pupil completed unless the local educational agency, in consultation with the holder of educational rights for the pupil, finds that the pupil is reasonably able to complete the requirements in time to graduate from high school. If partial credit is awarded the eligible pupil shall be enrolled in the same or equivalent course, if applicable, so that the pupil may continue and complete the entire course. An eligible pupil shall not be prevented from retaking or taking a course to meet the eligibility requirements for admission to the California State University or the University of California. A complaint for noncompliance may be filed under the District/COE's Uniform Complaint Procedures. [See Paragraph 25] [EC 51225.1 et seq.]. Eligible students should contact the District/COE regarding specific qualifications and requirements.

43. Immigration, Citizenship Status, and Religious Belief:

Students are afforded an equal right to an education regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs. Additional information regarding your rights to an education can be found at oag.ca.gov/immigrant/rights. [EC 234.7]. (*District Attachment #10*).

44. District/COE Policy Regarding Parent Classroom Visits:

When coming on the school grounds, the law requires that you must first report to the office, sign in and state your purpose for being at school. Parents are always welcome to visit the school and observe in the classroom. However, as a courtesy to the teachers and to avoid any disruption in the learning process, please schedule classroom visits in advance. If it is inappropriate for a classroom visit at that time, a more suitable time will be arranged. While you are observing in the classroom, the teacher will continue to carry on the planned instructional activities. It is, therefore, asked that you not attempt to engage the teacher in a parent conference and that you not bring young children and infants with you as they can be distracting to the teacher and the pupils.

45. Employee-Pupil Code of Conduct:

Board Policy 4119.21, 4219.21, 4319.21, adopted February 8, 2018 (Also found on the district website at www.gtusd.org) The Board of Trustees expects district employees to maintain the highest ethical standards, behave professionally, follow district policies and regulations, abide by state and federal laws, and exercise good judgment when interacting with students and other members of the school community. Employees shall engage in conduct that enhances the integrity of the district, advances the goals of the district's educational programs, and contributes to a positive school climate. The Board encourages district employees to accept as guiding principles the professional standards and codes of ethics adopted by educational or professional associations to which they may belong. Each employee is expected to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to fulfill his/her responsibilities and to contribute to the learning and achievement of district students. Inappropriate Conduct Inappropriate employee conduct includes, but is not limited to: 1. Engaging in any conduct that endangers students, staff, or others, including, but not limited to, physical violence, threats of violence, or possession of a firearm or other weapon 2. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior towards students, parents/guardians, staff, or community members, or failing or refusing to intervene when an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against a student is observed 3. Physically abusing, sexually abusing, neglecting, or otherwise willfully harming or injuring a child 4. Engaging in inappropriate socialization or fraternization with a student or soliciting, encouraging, or maintaining an inappropriate written, verbal, or physical relationship with a student 5. Possessing or viewing any pornography on school grounds, or possessing or viewing child pornography or other imagery portraying children in a sexualized manner at any time 6. Using profane, obscene, or abusive language against students, parents/guardians, staff, or community members 7. Willfully disrupting district or school operations by loud or unreasonable noise or other action 8. Using tobacco, alcohol, or an illegal or unauthorized substance, or possessing or distributing any controlled substance, while in 7 the workplace, on district property, or at a school-sponsored activity 9. Being dishonest with students, parents/guardians, staff, or members of the public, including, but not limited to, falsifying information in employment records or other school records 10. Divulging confidential information about students, district employees, or district operations to persons or entities not authorized to receive the information 11. Using district equipment or other district resources for the employee's own commercial purposes or for political activities 12. Using district equipment or communications devices for personal purposes while on duty, except in an emergency, during scheduled work breaks, or for personal necessity Employees shall be notified that computer files and all electronic communications, including, but not limited to, email and voice mail, are not private. To ensure proper use, the Superintendent or designee may monitor employee usage of district technological resources at any time without the employee's consent. 13. Causing damage to or engaging in theft of property belonging to students, staff, or the district 14. Wearing inappropriate attire Reports of Misconduct An employee who observes or has evidence of another employee's inappropriate conduct shall immediately report such conduct to the principal or Superintendent or designee. An employee who has knowledge of or suspects child abuse or neglect shall file a report pursuant to the district's child abuse reporting procedures as detailed in AR 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting. Any reports of employee misconduct shall be promptly investigated. Any employee who is found to have engaged in inappropriate conduct in violation of law or Board policy shall be subject to disciplinary action and, in the case of a certificated employee, may be subject to a report to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement as appropriate. An employee who has knowledge of but fails to report inappropriate employee conduct may also be subject to discipline. The district prohibits retaliation against anyone who files a complaint against an employee or reports an employee's inappropriate conduct. Any employee who retaliates against any such complainant, reporter, or other participant in the district's complaint process shall be subject to discipline. Notifications The section(s) of the district's employee code of conduct addressing interactions with students shall be provided to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year and shall be posted on school and/or district web sites. (Education Code 44050)

46. Bullying:

Board Policy 5131.2, adopted March 14, 2024 (Also found on the district website at www.gtusd.org) This policy shall apply to all acts constituting bullying related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a district school, to acts which occur off campus or outside of school-related or school-sponsored activities but which may have an impact or create a hostile environment at school, and to all acts of the Governing Board and the Superintendent in enacting policies and procedures that govern the district. The Board recognizes the harmful effects of bullying on student well-being, student learning, and school attendance and desires to provide a welcoming, safe, and supportive school environment that protects students from physical, mental, and emotional harm. No individual or group shall, through physical, written, verbal, visual, or other means, harass, sexually harass, threaten, intimidate, cyberbully, cause bodily injury to, or commit hate violence against any student or school personnel, or retaliate against them for filing a complaint or participating in the complaint resolution process. The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies for addressing bullying in district schools with the involvement of students, parents/guardians, and staff. As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee may also collaborate with social services, mental health services, law enforcement, courts, and other agencies and community organizations in the development and implementation of effective strategies to promote safety in schools and the community. Such strategies shall be incorporated into the comprehensive safety plan and, to the extent possible, into the local control and accountability plan and other applicable district and school plans. Any complaint of bullying shall be investigated and, if determined to be discriminatory, resolved in accordance with law and the district's uniform complaint procedures specified in Administrative Regulation 1312.3. If, during the investigation, it is determined that a complaint is about nondiscriminatory bullying, the principal or designee shall inform the complainant and shall take all necessary actions to resolve the complaint. If the Superintendent or designee believes it is in the best interest of a student who has been the victim

of an act of bullying, as defined in Education Code 48900, the Superintendent or designee shall advise the student's parents/guardians that the student may transfer to another school. If the parents/guardians of a student who has been the victim of an act of bullying requests a transfer for the student pursuant to Education Code 46600, the Superintendent or designee shall allow the transfer in accordance with law and district policy on intradistrict or interdistrict transfer, as applicable. District families are encouraged to model respectful behavior, contribute to a safe and supportive learning environment, and monitor potential causes of bullying. Any employee who permits or engages in bullying or retaliation related to bullying shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

47. Investing for Future Education:

Parents are advised of the importance of investing for higher education for students and considering appropriate investment options.

48. Earned Income Tax Credit Information Act:

Based on your annual earnings, you may be eligible to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit from the Federal Government (Federal EITC). The Federal EITC is a refundable federal income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. The Federal EITC has no effect on certain welfare benefits. In most cases, Federal EITC payments will not be used to determine eligibility for Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, food stamps, low-income housing, or most Temporary Assistance for Needy Families payments. Even if you do not owe federal taxes, you must file a federal tax return to receive the Federal EITC. Be sure to fill out the Federal EITC form in the Federal Income Tax Return Booklet. For information regarding your eligibility to receive the Federal EITC, including information on how to obtain the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Notice 797 or any other necessary forms and instructions, contact the IRS by calling 1-800-829-3676 or through its website at www.irs.gov.

You may also be eligible to receive the California Earned Income Tax Credit (California EITC) starting with the calendar year 2015 tax year. The California EITC is a refundable state income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. The California EITC is treated in the same manner as the Federal EITC and generally will not be used to determine eligibility for welfare benefits under California law. To claim the California EITC, even if you do not owe California taxes, you must file a California income tax return and complete and attach the California EITC Form (FTB 3514). For information on the availability of the credit eligibility requirements and how to obtain the necessary California forms and get help filing, contact the Franchise Tax Board at 1-800-852-5711 or through its website at www.ftb.ca.gov.

49. Mental Health Service:

Parents/guardians may access available pupil mental health services on campus or in the community. (*District Attachment #11*).

50. Firearms Storage

PPRA Model Notice and Consent/Opt-Out for Specific Activities

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232h, requires school districts to notify you and obtain consent or allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas ("protected information surveys"):

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parents; or
8. Income, other than as required by law to determine program eligibility.

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure, or use of student information for marketing purposes ("marketing surveys"), and certain physical exams and screenings. Policies regarding these rights may be obtained from the school district/COE. Parents who believe their rights have been violated under this section may file a complaint with the Family Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20202-5901.

Notification of Rights under FERPA for Elementary and Secondary Schools

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") the right to access the student's education records. Parents or eligible students should submit to the School principal [or appropriate school official] a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The School official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. Additionally, parents or eligible students, maintain the right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student alleges the records contain:

1. inaccuracy, or
2. unsubstantiated personal conclusion or inference, or
3. conclusion or inference outside of the observer's area of competence, or

4. data is not based upon the personal observation of a named person with the time and place of the observation noted, or
5. misleading information/conclusions, or
6. violations of the student's privacy or other rights.

Parents should write the School principal [or appropriate school official], clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate. If the School decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the School will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing. Parents or eligible students maintain the right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, permits disclosure without consent, to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the School as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the School has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the School discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll. Another exception permits disclosure of appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent unless parents have advised the School to the contrary in accordance with school district procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the School to include this type of information from a student's education records in certain school publications (e.g., yearbooks, honor roll lists, sports activity sheets). Directory information, which is information that is not generally considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without prior written consent. In addition, schools are required to provide military recruiters, upon request, with secondary students' names, addresses and telephone listings unless parents have advised the school that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior consent. The School has designated the following information as directory information: student's name, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, address, telephone listing, weight and height of members of athletic teams, e-mail address, photograph, degrees, honors, and awards received, date of birth, major field of study, dates of attendance, and the most recent educational agency or institution attended. Directory information does not include citizenship status, immigration status, place of birth, or any other information indicating national origin, unless consent is obtained prior to release. If parents do not want the School to disclose directory information from their child's education records without prior written consent, they must notify the School in writing [20 U.S.C. § 503, 20 U.S.C. § 7908, 34 C.F.R. § 99.37, EC 49073]. Data may be shared with the California College Guidance Initiative to provide pupils and their families with direct access to online tools and resources for college and career planning, including to enable a pupil to transmit information shared with the California College Guidance Initiative to institutions of higher education for purposes of admissions and academic placement and the Student Aid Commission for purposes of determining eligibility for, and increasing uptake of, student financial aid. Parents or eligible students maintain the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-4605.

Please return this acknowledgment, with the required signature, to your student's school.

PARENTAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT ONLY

I have received and read the notice and all included attachments regarding my rights relating to the above courses and activities which might affect my child.

Print Pupil's Name

Grade

Required Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

ATTACHMENT 1

FULL TEXT OF EDUCATION CODE SECTION 48205

- (a) Notwithstanding [Section 48200](#), a pupil shall be excused from school when the absence is:
- (1) Due to the pupil's illness, including an absence for the benefit of the pupil's mental or behavioral health.
 - (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 or grieving the death of either a member of the pupil's immediate family, or of a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, so long as the absence is not more than five days per incident.
 - (5) For the purpose of jury duty in the manner provided for by law.
 - (6) 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 attendance or appearance in court, attendance at a funeral service, observance of a holiday or ceremony of the pupil's religion, attendance at a religious retreat, 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 of the school district.
 - (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) For the purpose of participating in a cultural ceremony or event.
 - (12)(A) For the purpose of a middle school or high school pupil engaging in a civic or political event, as provided in subparagraph (B), provided that the pupil notifies the school ahead of the absence.
(B)(i) A middle school or high school pupil who is absent pursuant to subparagraph (A) is required to be excused for only one schoolday-long absence per school year.
(ii) A middle school or high school pupil who is absent pursuant to subparagraph (A) may be permitted additional excused absences in the discretion of a school administrator, as described in [subdivision \(c\) of Section 48260](#).
 - (13)(A) For any of the purposes described in clauses (i) to (iii), inclusive, if an immediate family member of the pupil, or a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, has died, so long as the absence is not more than three days per incident.
(i) To access services from a victim services organization or agency.
(ii) To access grief support services.
(iii) To participate in safety planning or to take other actions to increase the safety of the pupil or an immediate family member of the pupil, or a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, including, but not limited to, temporary or permanent relocation.
(B) Any absences beyond three days for the reasons described in subparagraph (A) shall be subject to the discretion of the school administrator, or their designee, pursuant to [Section 48260](#).
 - (14) Due to the pupil's participation in military entrance processing.
 - (15) 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 for those assignments and tests. 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 one schoolday 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) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
- (1) A "civic or political event" includes, but is not limited to, voting, poll working, strikes, public commenting, candidate speeches, political or civic forums, and town halls.
 - (2) "Cultural" means relating to the practices, habits, beliefs, and traditions of a certain group of people.
 - (3) "Immediate family" means the parent or guardian, brother or sister, grandparent, or any other relative living in the household of the pupil.
 - (4) "Victim services organization or agency" has the same meaning as defined in [subdivision \(j\) of Section 12945.8 of the Government Code](#).

ATTACHMENT 2

MINIMUM DAY AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY SCHEDULE

Gold Trail Union School District 2025-26

180 Student Attendance Days

2025 August Days: 18				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

4-5 Staff Duty Days

6 First student attendance day

2025 September Days: 20				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

1 Labor Day: No School

17 Min Day (Teacher Collaboration)

26 No School

2025 October Days: 22				
M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

10 Progress Reports (Gold Trail)

27-30 Parent Conferences - Min Days

31 Halloween: No School

2025 November Days: 13				
M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

10 No School

11 Veterans Day: No School

24-28 Thanksgiving Week: No School

2025 December Days: 14				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

18 Minimum Day

19-31 Winter Break: No School

2026 January Days: 18				
M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

1-5 Winter Break: No School

19 MLK Jr. Day: No School

2026 February Days: 18				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

13 Lincoln's Day: No School (observed)

16 Presidents' Day: No School

2026 March Days: 20				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

6 Progress Reports (Gold Trail)

12-13 Parent Conferences - Min Days

30-31 Spring Break: No School

2026 April Days: 18				
M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

1-3 Spring Break: No School

6 School Closure Make-up Day*

13-30 CAA/SPP Testing Window Gr. 3-8

2026 May Days: 19				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

25 Memorial Day: No School

26-28 Minimum Days

28 Last student attendance day

28 Eighth Grade Graduation

29 Staff Duty Day

	Common Planning Days (Wednesdays)			
	Minimum Day			
	School Not in Session			
	School Closure Make-up Day			
	*If school is cancelled, students and staff will be required to attend school on this make-up day			

Dismissal Times:

Sutter's Mill M/T/Th/F 2:15pm; Wed. 1:05pm;

Minimum Day 12:15pm

Gold Trail M/T/Th/F 2:30pm; Wed. 1:20pm;

Minimum Day 12:30pm

Approved by Board of Trustees: 10/10/24

Updated: 6/5/25

ATTACHMENT 3

PUPIL RECORD INFORMATION

[Provide the following specific information:]

- (a) The types of pupil records and information contained therein that are directly related to pupils and maintained by the institution.
- (b) The position of the official responsible for the maintenance of each type of record.
- (c) The location of the log or record required to be maintained pursuant to Section 49064.
- (d) The criteria to be used by the school district in defining "school officials and employees" and in determining "legitimate educational interest" as used in Section 49064 and paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 49076.
- (e) The policies of the institution for reviewing and expunging those records.
- (f) The right of the parent to access pupil records.
- (g) The procedures for challenging the content of pupil records.
- (h) The cost, if any, that will be charged to the parent for reproducing copies of records.
- (i) The categories of information that the institution has designated as directory information pursuant to Section 49073.
- (j) Any other rights and requirements set forth in this chapter, and the right of the parent to file a complaint with the United States Department of Education concerning an alleged failure by the school district to comply with the provisions of Section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g).
- (k) The availability of the prospectus prepared pursuant to Section 49091.14.

[EC 49063]

ATTACHMENT 4

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS

"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]

ATTACHMENT 5

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURE BP 1312.3

The Governing Board recognizes that the district has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs. The Board encourages the early resolution of complaints whenever possible. To

resolve complaints which may require a more formal process, the Board adopts the uniform system of complaint processes specified in 5 CCR 4600-4670 and the accompanying administrative regulation.

Complaints Subject to UCP

The district's uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve complaints regarding the following programs and activities:

1. Accommodations for pregnant and parenting students (Education Code 46015)
2. Adult education programs (Education Code 8500-8538, 52334.7, 52500-52617)
3. After School Education and Safety programs (Education Code 8482-8484.65)
4. Agricultural career technical education (Education Code 52460-52462)
5. Career technical and technical education and career technical and technical training programs (Education Code 52300-52462)
6. Child care and development programs (Education Code 8200-8488)
7. Compensatory education (Education Code 54400)
8. Consolidated categorical aid programs (Education Code 33315; 34 CFR 299.10-299.12)
9. Course periods without educational content (Education Code 51228.1-51228.3)
10. Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying in district programs and activities, including in those programs or activities funded directly by or that receive or benefit from any state financial assistance, based on a person's actual or perceived characteristics of race or ethnicity, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or based on the person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics (5 CCR 4610)
Discrimination includes, but is not limited to, the Board's refusal to approve the use or prohibit the use of any textbook, instructional material, supplemental instructional material, or other curriculum for classroom instruction, or any book or other resource in a school library, on the basis that it includes a study of the role and contributions of any individual or group consistent with the requirements of Education Code 51204.5 and 60040, unless such study would violate Education Code 51501 or 60044. A complaint alleging such unlawful discrimination may, in addition to or in lieu of being filed with the district, be directly filed with the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI). (Education Code 243)
11. Educational and graduation requirements for students in foster care, students experiencing homelessness, students from military families, students formerly in a juvenile court school, students who are migratory, and students participating in a newcomer program (Education Code 48645.7, 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2)
12. Every Student Succeeds Act (Education Code 52059.5; 20 USC 6301 et seq.)
13. Local control and accountability plan (Education Code 52075)
14. Migrant education (Education Code 54440-54445)
15. Physical education instructional minutes (Education Code 51210, 51222, 51223)
16. Student fees (Education Code 49010-49013)
17. Reasonable accommodations to a lactating student (Education Code 222)
18. Regional occupational centers and programs (Education Code 52300-52334.7)
19. School plans for student achievement as required for the consolidated application for specified federal and/or state categorical funding (Education Code 64001)
20. School site councils as required for the consolidated application for specified federal and/or state categorical funding (Education Code 65000)
21. State preschool programs (Education Code 8207-8225)
22. State preschool health and safety issues in license-exempt programs (Education Code 8212)
23. Any complaint alleging retaliation against a complainant or other participant in the complaint process or anyone who has acted to uncover or report a violation subject to this policy
24. Any other state or federal educational program the SPI or designee deems appropriate

The Board recognizes that alternative dispute resolution (ADR) can, depending on the nature of the allegations, offer a process for resolving a complaint in a manner that is acceptable to all parties. An ADR process such as mediation may be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the use of ADR is consistent with state and federal laws and regulations.

The district shall protect all complainants from retaliation. In investigating complaints, the confidentiality of the parties involved shall be protected as required by law. For any complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the Superintendent or designee shall keep the identity of the complainant, and/or the subject of the complaint if different from the complainant, confidential when appropriate and as long as the integrity of the complaint process is maintained.

When an allegation that is not subject to UCP is included in a UCP complaint, the district shall refer the non-UCP allegation to the appropriate staff or agency and shall investigate and, if appropriate, resolve the UCP-related allegation(s) through the district's UCP.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to district staff to ensure awareness and knowledge of current law and requirements related to UCP, including the steps and timelines specified in this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain a record of each complaint and subsequent related actions, including steps taken during the investigation and all information required for compliance with 5 CCR 4631 and 4633.

Non-UCP Complaints

The following complaints shall not be subject to the district's UCP but shall be investigated and resolved by the specified agency or through an alternative process:

1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services Protective Services Division or the appropriate law enforcement agency. (5 CCR 4611)
2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to Department of Social Services. (5 CCR 4611)
3. Any complaint alleging that a student, while in an education program or activity in which the district exercises substantial control over the context and respondent, was subjected to sexual harassment as defined in 34 CFR 106.30 shall be addressed through the federal Title IX complaint procedures adopted pursuant to 34 CFR 106.44-106.45, as specified in Administrative Regulation 5145.71 - Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures.
4. Any complaint alleging employment discrimination or harassment shall be investigated and resolved by the district in accordance with the procedures specified in Administrative Regulation 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment, including the right to file the complaint with the California Civil Rights Department.
5. Any complaint alleging a violation of a state or federal law or regulation related to special education, a settlement agreement related to the provision of a free appropriate public education (FAPE), failure or refusal to implement a due process hearing order to which the district is subject, or a physical safety concern that interferes with the district's provision of FAPE shall be submitted to the California Department of Education (CDE) in accordance with Administrative Regulation 6159.1 - Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education. (5 CCR 3200-3205)
6. Any complaint alleging noncompliance of the district's food service program with laws regarding meal counting and claiming, reimbursable meals, eligibility of children or adults, or use of cafeteria funds and allowable expenses shall be filed with or referred to CDE in accordance with Board Policy 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance. (5 CCR 15580-15584)
7. Any allegation of discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in the district's food service program shall be filed with or referred to the U.S. Department of Agriculture in accordance with Board Policy 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance. (5 CCR 15582)
8. Any complaint related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health or safety of students or staff, or teacher vacancies and misassignments shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with Administrative Regulation 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 35186)

ATTACHMENT 6

SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION POLICY

BP 5145.7

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 any student who feels that he/she is being or has been sexually harassed on school grounds or at a school-sponsored or school-related activity by another student or an adult who has experienced off-campus sexual harassment that has a continuing effect on campus to immediately contact his/her teacher, the principal, or any other available school employee. Any employee who receives a report or observes an incident of sexual harassment shall notify the principal or a district compliance officer. Once notified, the principal or compliance officer shall take the steps to investigate and address the allegation, as specified in the accompanying administrative regulation.

(cf. [0410](#) - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. [1312.1](#) - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. [5131](#) - Conduct)
(cf. [5131.2](#) - Bullying)
(cf. [5137](#) - Positive School Climate)
(cf. [5141.4](#) - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)
(cf. [5145.3](#) - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. [6142.1](#) - Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction)

The Superintendent or designee shall take appropriate actions to reinforce the district's sexual harassment 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:

1. 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 where the alleged victim of the harassment has not complained
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 prompt action shall be taken to stop any harassment, prevent recurrence, and address any continuing effect on students
6. Information about the district's procedure 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
8. A clear message that, when needed, the district will take interim 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 and that, to the extent possible, when such interim measures are taken, they shall not disadvantage the complainant or victim of the alleged harassment

Complaint Process and Disciplinary Actions

Sexual harassment complaints by and against students shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with law and district procedures specified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. Principals are responsible for notifying students and parents/guardians that complaints of sexual harassment can be filed under AR 1312.3 and where to obtain a copy of the procedures.

(cf. [1312.3](#) - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Upon 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.

(cf. [5144](#) - Discipline)
(cf. [5144.1](#) - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. [5144.2](#) - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

Upon investigation of a sexual harassment complaint, any employee found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual violence toward any student shall have his/her employment terminated in accordance with law and the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

(cf. [4117.7](#) - Employment Status Report)
(cf. [4118](#) - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. [4218](#) - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
(cf. [4119.11/4219.11/4319.11](#) - Sexual Harassment)

Record-Keeping

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.

(cf. [3580](#) - District Records)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

[200-262.4](#) Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex
[48900](#) Grounds for suspension or expulsion
[48900.2](#) Additional grounds for suspension or expulsion; sexual harassment
[48904](#) Liability of parent/guardian for willful student misconduct
[48980](#) Notice at beginning of term

CIVIL CODE

[51.9](#) Liability for sexual harassment; business, service and professional relationships
[1714.1](#) Liability of parents/guardians for willful misconduct of minor

GOVERNMENT CODE

[12950.1](#) Sexual harassment training
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[4600-4687](#) Uniform complaint procedures
[4900-4965](#) Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

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[1232a](#) Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
[1681-1688](#) Title IX, discrimination

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

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2000e-2000e-17 Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended

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Revised Sexual Harassment Guidance: Harassment of Students by School Employees, Other Students, or Third Parties, January 2001

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

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr>

Policy GOLD TRAIL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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AR 5145.7

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 and California Education Code [234.1](#), as well as to investigate and resolve sexual harassment complaints under AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. The coordinator/compliance officer(s) may be contacted at:

Superintendent

1575 Old Ranch Road

Placerville, CA. 95667

(530) 626-3194

(first initial of first name followed by full last name)@gtusd.org

(cf. [1312.3](#) - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Prohibited 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: (Education Code [212.5](#); 5 CCR [4916](#))

1. Submission to the conduct is explicitly or implicitly made a term or condition of a student's academic status or progress.
2. Submission to or rejection of the conduct by a student is used as the basis for academic decisions affecting the student.
3. 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.

(cf. [5131](#) - Conduct)

(cf. [5131.2](#) - Bullying)

(cf. [5137](#) - Positive School Climate)

(cf. [5145.3](#) - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. [6142.1](#) - Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction)

Examples of types of conduct which are prohibited in the district and which may constitute sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:

1. Unwelcome leering, sexual flirtations, or propositions
2. 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

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.

Reporting Process and Complaint Investigation and Resolution

Any student who believes that he/she 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 his/her teacher, the principal, or any other available school employee. Within one school day of receiving such a report, the school employee shall forward the report to the principal or the district's compliance officer identified in AR 1312.3. In addition, any school employee who observes an incident of sexual harassment involving a student shall, within one school day, report his/her observation to the principal or a district compliance officer. The employee shall take these actions, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

When a report or complaint of sexual harassment involves off-campus conduct, the principal shall assess whether the conduct may create or contribute to the creation of a hostile school environment. If he/she 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 principal or compliance officer shall inform the student or parent/guardian of the right to file a formal written complaint in accordance with the district's uniform complaint procedures. Regardless of whether a formal complaint is filed, the principal or compliance officer shall take steps to investigate the allegations and, if sexual harassment is found, shall take prompt action to stop it, prevent recurrence, and address any continuing effects.

If a complaint of sexual harassment is initially submitted to the principal, he/she shall, within two school days, forward the report to the compliance officer to initiate investigation of the complaint. The compliance officer shall contact the complainant and investigate and resolve the complaint in accordance with law and district procedures specified in AR 1312.3.

In investigating a sexual harassment complaint, evidence of past sexual relationships of the victim shall not be considered, except to the extent that such evidence may relate to the victim's prior relationship with the respondent.

In any case of sexual harassment involving the principal, compliance officer, or any other person to whom the incident would ordinarily be reported or filed, the report may instead be submitted to the Superintendent or designee who shall determine who will investigate the complaint.

(cf. [5141.4](#) - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

Confidentiality

All complaints and allegations of sexual harassment shall be kept confidential except as necessary to carry out the investigation or take other subsequent necessary action. (5 CCR [4964](#))

However, when a complainant or victim of sexual harassment notifies the district of the harassment but requests confidentiality, the compliance officer shall inform him/her that the request may limit the district's ability to investigate the harassment or take other necessary action. When honoring a request for confidentiality, the district will nevertheless take all reasonable steps to investigate and

respond to the complaint consistent with the request.

When a complainant or victim of sexual harassment notifies the district of the harassment but requests that the district not pursue an investigation, the district will determine whether or not it can honor such a request while still providing a safe and nondiscriminatory environment for all students.

(cf. [4119.23/4219.23/4319.23](#) - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)
(cf. [5125](#) - Student Records)

Response Pending Investigation

When an incident of sexual harassment is reported, the principal or designee, in consultation with the compliance officer, shall determine whether interim measures are necessary pending the results of the investigation. The principal/designee or compliance officer shall take immediate measures necessary to stop the harassment and protect students and/or ensure their access to the educational program. To the extent possible, such interim measures shall not disadvantage the complainant or victim of the alleged harassment. Interim measures may include placing the individuals involved in separate classes or transferring a student to a class taught by a different teacher, in accordance with law and Board policy. The school should notify the individual who was harassed of his/her options to avoid contact with the alleged harasser and allow the complainant to change academic and extracurricular arrangements as appropriate. The school should also ensure that the complainant is aware of the resources and assistance, such as counseling, that are available to him/her. As appropriate, such actions shall be considered even when a student chooses to not file a formal complaint or the sexual harassment occurs off school grounds or outside school-sponsored or school-related programs or activities.

Notifications

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

1. Be included in the notifications that are sent to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year (Education Code [48980](#); 5 CCR [4917](#))

(cf. [5145.6](#) - Parental Notifications)

2. 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 (Education Code [231.5](#))

A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and regulation shall be posted on district and school web sites and, when available, on district-supported social media.

(cf. [1113](#) - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. [1114](#) - District-Sponsored Social Media)

3. Be provided as part of any orientation program conducted for new students at the beginning of each quarter, semester, or summer session (Education Code [231.5](#))

4. Appear in any school or district publication that sets forth the school's or district's comprehensive rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct (Education Code [231.5](#))

5. Be included in the student handbook

6. Be provided to employees and employee organizations

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ATTACHMENT 7

LIST OF PESTICIDES

AR 3514.2

Integrated Pest Management

Definitions

Integrated pest management (IPM) means a strategy that focuses on long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through a combination of techniques such as monitoring for pest presence and establishing treatment threshold levels, using nonchemical practices to make the habitat less conducive to pest development, improving sanitation, and employing mechanical and physical controls. (Education Code [17609](#); Food and Agricultural Code [13181](#))

(cf. [3510](#) - Green School Operations)

School site means any facility used as a child day care facility or for kindergarten, elementary, or secondary school purposes and includes the buildings or structures, playgrounds, athletic fields, vehicles, or any other area of property visited or used by students. (Education Code [17609](#))

Program Components

The Superintendent or designee shall designate an employee at the district office and/or school site to develop, implement, and coordinate an IPM strategy that incorporates effective, least toxic pest management practices.

The IPM coordinator shall prepare and annually update a districtwide or school site IPM plan based on the template provided by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR).

The IPM plan shall include the name of the district and/or school IPM coordinator, the pesticides expected to be applied at the school site by district employees and/or pest control applicators, and a date that the plan shall be reviewed and, if necessary, updated. (Education Code [17611.5](#))

The district shall use pesticides that pose the least possible hazard and are effective in a manner that minimizes risks to people, property, and the environment. Such pesticides shall only be used after careful monitoring indicates they are needed according to pre-established guidelines and treatment thresholds. (Food and Agricultural Code [13181](#))

The IPM plan and this administrative regulation shall not apply to reduced-risk pesticides, including self-contained baits or traps, gels or pastes used for crack and crevice treatments, antimicrobials, and pesticides exempt from registration by law. (Education Code [17610.5](#); 3 CCR 6147)

The district's program shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following components:

1. Identifying and monitoring pest population levels and identifying practices that could affect pest populations. Strategies for managing the pest shall be influenced by the pest species and whether that species poses a threat to people, property, or the environment.
2. Setting action threshold levels to determine when pest populations or vegetation at a specific location might cause unacceptable health or economic hazards that would indicate corrective action should be taken.
3. Modifying or eliminating pest habitats to deter pest populations and minimize pest infestations.
4. Considering a full range of possible alternative cost-effective treatments. Such alternative treatments may include taking no action or controlling the pest by physical, horticultural, or biological methods. Cost or staffing considerations alone will not be adequate justification for the use of chemical control agents.
5. Selecting nonchemical pest management methods over chemical methods whenever such methods are effective in providing the desired control or, when it is determined that chemical methods must be used, giving preference to those chemicals that pose the least hazardous effects to people and the environment.
No pesticide that is prohibited by DPR or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as listed on the DPR web site, shall be used at a school site. (Education Code [17610.1](#))
6. Limiting pesticide purchases to amounts needed for the year. Pesticides shall be stored at a secure location that is not accessible to students and unauthorized staff. They shall be stored and disposed of in accordance with state regulations and product label directions. (cf. [3514](#) - Environmental Safety)
(cf. [3514.1](#) - Hazardous Substances)
7. Informing parents/guardians and employees regarding pesticide use as described in the sections "Notifications" and "Warning Signs" below.
8. Ensuring that persons applying pesticides follow label precautions and are sufficiently trained in the principles and practices of IPM as described in the section "Training" below.
9. Evaluating the effectiveness of treatments to determine if revisions to the IPM plan are needed.

Training

The IPM coordinator and any employee or contractor who may be designated to apply a pesticide at a school site shall annually complete a DPR-approved training course on IPM and the safe use of pesticides in relation to the unique nature of school sites and children's health. (Education Code [17614](#); Food and Agricultural Code [13186.5](#))

(cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)

Any district employee who handles pesticides shall also receive pesticide-specific safety training prior to applying pesticides and annually thereafter in accordance with 3 CCR 6724.

Notifications

Staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at a school site shall be annually notified, in writing, regarding pesticide products expected to be applied at the school site in the upcoming year. The notification shall include at least the following: (Education Code [17612](#))

1. The name of each pesticide product expected to be applied in the upcoming year and the active ingredient(s) in it
 2. The Internet address (<http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm>) used to access information on pesticides and pesticide use reduction developed by the DPR pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code [13184](#)
 3. If the school has posted its IPM plan, the Internet address where the plan may be found
 4. The opportunity to view a copy of the IPM plan in the school office
 5. An opportunity for interested persons to register to receive prior notification of each application of a pesticide at the school site
 6. Other information deemed necessary by the IPM coordinator
- (cf. [1312.4](#) - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. [3517](#) - Facilities Inspection)
(cf. [4112.9/4212.9/4312.9](#) - Employee Notifications)
(cf. [5145.6](#) - Parental Notifications)

Whenever a person registers to receive notice of individual pesticide application pursuant to item #5 above, the IPM coordinator shall notify such registered persons of individual pesticide applications at least 72 hours prior to the application. The notice shall include the product name, the active ingredient(s) in the product, and the intended date of application. (Education Code [17612](#))

If a pesticide product not included in the annual notification is subsequently intended for use at a school site, the IPM coordinator shall provide written notification of its intended use to staff and parents/guardians of students enrolled at the school, at least 72 hours prior to the application. (Education Code [17612](#))

If a school chooses to use a pesticide not exempted pursuant to Education Code [17610.5](#), it shall post the school or district IPM plan on the school's web site or, if the school does not have a web site, then on the district web site. If neither the school nor district has a web site, then the IPM plan shall be included with the annual notification sent to staff and parents/guardians pursuant to Education Code [17612](#) as described above. When not required, the IPM coordinator may post or distribute the IPM plan at his/her discretion. (Education Code [17611.5](#))

Whenever the IPM coordinator deems that the immediate use of a pesticide is necessary to protect the health and safety of students, staff, or other persons at the school site, he/she shall make every effort to provide the required notifications prior to the application of the pesticide. (Education Code [17612](#))

Warning Signs

The IPM coordinator shall post a warning sign at each area of the school site where pesticides will be applied that shall be visible to all persons entering the treated area. The sign shall be posted at least 24 hours prior to the application and shall remain posted until 72 hours after the application. The warning sign shall prominently display the following information: (Education Code [17612](#))

1. The term "Warning/Pesticide Treated Area"
2. The product name, manufacturer's name, and the EPA's product registration number

3. Intended areas and dates of application

4. Reason for the pesticide application

When advance posting is not possible due to an emergency condition requiring immediate use of a pesticide to protect the health and safety of students, staff, or other persons or the school site, the warning sign shall be posted immediately upon application and shall remain posted until 72 hours after the application. (Education Code [17609](#), [17612](#))

Records

At the end of each calendar year, the IPM coordinator shall submit to DPR, on a form provided by DPR, a copy of the records of all pesticide use at the school site for that year, excluding any pesticides exempted by law and any pesticide use reported by the pest control operator pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code [13186](#). The IPM coordinator may submit more frequent reports at his/her discretion. (Education Code [17611](#))

Each school site shall maintain records of all pesticide use at the school for four years, and shall make the information available to the public, upon request, in accordance with the California Public Records Act. A school may meet this requirement by retaining a copy of the warning sign posted for each pesticide application with a recording on that copy of the amount of the pesticide used. (Education Code [17611](#))

(cf. [1340](#) - Access to District Records)

(cf. [3580](#) - District Records)

Pesticide Use near School Site

Upon receiving notification pursuant to 3 CCR 6692 that a grower expects to use agricultural pesticides within one-quarter mile of a school site Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., the principal or designee shall notify the Superintendent or designee, IPM coordinator, staff at the school site, and parents/guardians of students enrolled at the school.

The principal or designee may communicate with any grower within one-quarter mile of the school to request that the grower not apply pesticides during evenings or weekends when school activities are scheduled.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

17366 Legislative intent (fitness of buildings for occupancy)

17608-17614 Healthy Schools Act of 2000

48980 Notice at beginning of term

48980.3 Notification of pesticides

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

8593.2 Licensed pest control operators; training requirements

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE

11401-12408 Pest control operations and agricultural chemicals

13180-13188 Healthy Schools Act of 2000

GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation; right to negotiate safety conditions

6250-6270 California Public Records Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 3

6147 Pesticides exempted from registration requirements

6690-6692 Pesticide use near school sites

6724 Training of employees handling pesticides

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

340-340.2 Employer's obligation to provide safety information

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 7

136-136y Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION PUBLICATIONS

California School IPM Model Program Guidebook

Healthy Schools Act Requirements for Public K-12 Schools

School District Integrated Pest Management Plan Template

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Pest Control in the School Environment: Implementing Integrated Pest Management (IPM), May 2017

WEB SITES

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

California Department of Pesticide Regulation, School IPM: <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Integrated Pest Management at Schools: <https://www.epa.gov/managing-pests-schools>

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ATTACHMENT #8

PROGRAMMATIC/SPECIAL PROGRAMMATIC OPTIONS

BP 5117

The Governing Board 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.

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. (Education Code 46600)

The agreement shall specify the terms and conditions under which interdistrict attendance shall be permitted or denied. It also may contain standards agreed to by both districts for reapplication and/or revocation of the student's permit. (Education Code 46600)

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

The district shall not provide transportation beyond any school attendance area. Upon request of a student's parent/guardian, the Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation for an interdistrict transfer student to and from designated bus stops within the attendance area of the school that the student attends if space is available.

AR 5117

Interdistrict Attendance Agreements and Permits

In accordance with an agreement between the Governing Board 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.

After anticipated enrollment of current residence for the transfer year has been determined, the Superintendent or designee may approve Interdistrict attendance permits for the following reasons.

1. To meet the childcare needs of a student. Such students may be allowed to continue to attend district schools only as long as they continue to use a childcare provider within district boundaries.
2. To meet a child's special mental or physical health needs as certified by a physician, school psychologist, or other appropriate school personnel.
3. To avoid splitting the family's attendance between two districts when a student has a sibling attending school in the receiving district.
4. To allow a student to complete a school year when his/her parents/guardians have moved out of the district during that year, or when the student will be living outside of the district of residence for one year or less.

5. To allow students to remain with a class graduating that year from an elementary, middle, or senior high school, during that year.
6. 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 year in the district.
7. 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.
8. When there is valid interest in a particular educational program not offered in the district of residence.
9. To provide a change in school environment for reasons of personal and social adjustment.
10. When the transfer would be in the best interests of the student and the district as determined by the Superintendent or designee, based on any lawful, non-arbitrary considerations.

If the application is granted, the Superintendent or designee shall issue an interdistrict attendance permit setting forth the terms and conditions of the student's enrollment in the district, including bases for revocation of the permit, as described in this Regulation.

Interdistrict attendance permits or applications shall not be required for students enrolling in a regional occupational center or program. (Education Code 52317)

The District shall post on its website the procedures and timelines for requesting an interdistrict transfer permit, including a link to BP5117-Interdistrict Attendance. The posted information shall include, but is not limited to: (education Code 46600.1, 46600.2)

1. 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:
6. 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.
7. 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 Interdistrict 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.
8. The conditions under which an existing Interdistrict transfer permit may be revoked or rescinded

Bases for Denial of Application

In accordance with applicable law, the Superintendent or designee may deny an application for an Interdistrict attendance permit on any of the following bases:

1. Capacity Has Been Reached: If capacity has been reached in the relevant grade or program based on the actual enrollment figures of current residents and continuing students for the requested transfer year, or the anticipated enrollment figures available as of April 1, or the date of the application, whichever is later, for transfers to take effect in the next school year.
2. The District does not have an appropriate educational program to meet the student's needs.
3. Unsatisfactory Attendance: The student's school records for the preceding 12-month period reflect unsatisfactory attendance, which may include, but is not limited to, a total of three (3) or more unexcused absences and/or unexcused tardy arrivals, or a total attendance rate of less than ninety percent (90%).
4. Unsatisfactory Academic Performance: The student's school records for the preceding 12-month period reflect unsatisfactory academic performance, which may include, but is not limited to, grades that do not "meet standards" in the majority of student's subject areas/courses of study; unexcused, inconsistent completion of homework; regularly coming to class unprepared without an excusable reason; etc.
5. Unsatisfactory Behavior: The student's school records in the preceding 12-month period reflect unsatisfactory behavior which may include, but is not limited to, a history of disciplinary referral(s), detention(s), suspension(s), recommendation(s) for expulsion, or expulsion(s).
6. The Application is incomplete or contains information that is false or misleading.
7. The governing boards of the district and the student's district of residence have not entered into an interdistrict

attendance agreement. (Education Code 46600)

8. The denial would be in the best interests of the District as determined by the Superintendent or designee based on any lawful, non-arbitrary considerations.

If an Application is denied by the Superintendent or designee, the parents/guardians of the student may appeal to the County Board of Education within 30 days. Students who are under consideration for expulsion or who have been expelled may not appeal interdistrict attendance denials or decisions while expulsion proceedings are pending, or during the term of the expulsion. (Education Code 46601)

Bases for Revocation/Termination of Interdistrict Attendance Permit

Every Interdistrict attendance permit shall stipulate the terms and conditions under which the permit may be revoked. (Education Code 46600)

An Interdistrict attendance permit may be revoked by the Superintendent or designee for any of the following reasons:

1. Unsatisfactory academic performance (as defined above under Bases for Denial) at the district.
2. Unsatisfactory attendance (as defined above under Bases for Denial) at the district.
3. Providing incomplete, false or misleading information on the Application.
4. Repeated conduct in violation of Education Code sections 48900 et seq.
5. Suspension from the district as authorized by Education Code sections 48900 et seq.
6. Recommendation for expulsion or expulsion from the district as authorized by Education Code sections 48900 et seq.
7. Any other lawful, non-arbitrary basis for the district to conclude it would be in the best interest of the student, the student's school, or the district for the Interdistrict attendance permit to be revoked.

If an Interdistrict attendance permit is revoked by the Superintendent or designee, the parent/guardian of the student may appeal to the Superintendent for further consideration. An appeal must be submitted in writing to the Superintendent and received in the District Office on or before the fifth calendar day following the date of the Notice of Revocation, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and days when the District Office is closed, or the right to appeal shall be deemed waived.

Application Procedures and Timeline

An Interdistrict attendance enrollment period will be held during February -April for the subsequent school year. During this period, a student may apply to attend a school in the district, pursuant to the procedures in this section.

1. All applications for Interdistrict attendance permits must be approved by the student's district of residence prior to submission to the district.
2. Parents/Guardians should submit applications for Interdistrict attendance permits to the District Office between February 5 and April 15 of the school year preceding the requested year of enrollment. Applications submitted outside of these dates may be denied.
3. No later than thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of a completed application for Interdistrict attendance permit, the Superintendent or designee shall provide written notification by mail to applicants as to whether their applications have been approved, denied, or placed on a waiting list. If the application is denied, the reasons for the denial shall be stated.
4. Approved applicants must confirm their enrollment within ten (10) school days of receipt of the notification letter by bringing the notification letter to the school at which the student will be transferring and completing the registration process. Failure to complete the registration process at the school at which the student will be transferring by the end of the regular school year will cause the student's space to be relinquished.
5. Once enrolled in a school through an Interdistrict attendance permit, a student shall not be required to reapply for readmission on a yearly basis. Parents/guardians shall be required to apply for a new Interdistrict attendance permit if the parents/guardians wish to enroll the student at a school in the district other than that school in which he/she is enrolled. Parents/guardians wishing to enroll a student in a different district school must follow the same procedures and timelines outlined above for new requests. Prior approval of an application does not guarantee approval of any subsequent request.

Transportation

The district shall not provide transportation outside the school's attendance area.

ATTACHMENT 9

§ 56031. Special education

- (a) "Special education," in accordance with Section 1401(29) of Title 20 of the United States Code, means specially designed instruction, at no cost to the parent, to meet the unique needs of individuals with exceptional needs, including instruction conducted in the classroom, in the home, in hospitals and institutions, and other settings, and instruction in physical education.
- (b) In accordance with Section 300.39 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, special education includes each of the following, if the services otherwise meet the requirements of subdivision (a):
 - (1) Speech-language pathology services, or any other designated instruction and service or related service, pursuant to Section 56363, if the service is considered special education rather than a designated instruction and service or related service under state standards.
 - (2) Travel training.
 - (3) Vocational education.
- (c) Transition services for individuals with exceptional needs may be special education, in accordance with Section 300.43(b) of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, if provided as specially designed instruction, or a related service, if required to assist an individual with exceptional needs to benefit from special education.
- (d) Individuals with exceptional needs shall be grouped for instructional purposes according to their instructional needs.

ATTACHMENT 10

Immigration Status "Know Your Rights"

Your Child has the Right to a Free Public Education

- All children in the United States have a Constitutional right to equal access to free public education, regardless of immigration status and regardless of the immigration status of the students' parents or guardians.
 - In California: All children have the right to a free public education.
 - All children ages 6 to 18 years must be enrolled in school.
 - All students and staff have the right to attend safe, secure, and peaceful schools.
 - All students have a right to be in a public school learning environment free from discrimination, harassment, bullying, violence, and intimidation.
 - All students have equal opportunity to participate in any program or activity offered by the school, and cannot be discriminated against based on their race, nationality, gender, religion, or immigration status, among other characteristics.

Information Required for School Enrollment

- When enrolling a child, schools must accept a variety of documents from the student's parent or guardian to demonstrate proof of child's age or residency.
- You never have to provide information about citizenship/immigration status to have your child enrolled in school. In addition, you never have to provide a Social Security number to have your child enrolled in school.

Confidentiality of Personal Information

- Federal and state laws protect student education records and personal information. These laws generally

require that schools get written consent from parents or guardians before releasing student information, unless the release of information is for educational purposes, is already public, or is in response to a court order or subpoena.

- Some schools collect and provide publicly basic student “directory information.” If they do, then each year, your child’s school district must provide parents/guardians with written notice of the school’s directory information policy, and let you know of your option to refuse release of your child’s information in the directory.

Family Safety Plans if You Are Detained or Deported

- You have the option to provide your child’s school with emergency contact information, including the information of secondary contacts, to identify a trusted adult guardian who can care for your child in the event you are detained or deported.
- You have the option to complete a Caregiver’s Authorization Affidavit or a Petition for Appointment of Temporary Guardian of the Person, which may enable a trusted adult the authority to make educational and medical decisions for your child.

ATTACHMENT 11

Mental Health Services

Care Solace: Calming the Chaos of Mental Health Care

Gold Trail Union School District has partnered with Care Solace to enhance our current ability to provide mental health support for parents, staff and students.

<https://caresolace.com/qtusd>

Care Solace provides: 24/7 multilingual Care Concierge team supports via text, video chat, phone or email to connect students, families and staff with available, verified mental health providers and substance-use treatment programs matched to their needs regardless of need, language, insurance, or lack thereof.

Get connected to mental health providers: 888-515-0595

If you or a family member is looking for help with mental health or substance use, use Care Solace to quickly connect to quality mental health care providers.

Care Solace calms the chaos of mental health care. Their team of Care Coordinators are experts in navigating the mental health care system and can confidentially find available providers in the community, matched to your specific needs.

Care Solace provides:

- Navigation help available in any language 24/7/365 by phone, email, text or video chat in any language
- A dedicated Care Coordinator, who will support you through the whole process, calling providers on your behalf to determine a fit and availability
- Help with private insurance, Medi-Cal, and no insurance
- Care Solace services come at no cost to you or your family
- Completely confidential support; Care Solace will not share your information without your permission
- In-person, online, or teletherapy options
- Appointment coordination for students, staff, and their families

If you prefer, you can anonymously search Care Solace’s robust, verified database to find a match on your own.

To get personalized help, call us 24/7/365: **888-515-0595** or visit: caresolace.com/qtusd to start an anonymous search.