The Governing Board desires to provide a safe school environment that protects students and employees from exposure to potentially hazardous substances that may be used in the district’s educational program and in the maintenance and operation of district facilities and equipment.

Insofar as reasonably possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored and used on school property. When hazardous substances must be used, the Superintendent or designee shall give preference to materials that cause the least risk to people and the environment.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that hazardous substances are inventoried, used, stored, and regularly disposed of in a safe and legal manner.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement, and monitor a written hazard communication program in accordance with 8 CCR 5194 and shall ensure that employees, students, and others as necessary are fully informed about the properties and potential hazards of substances to which they may be exposed.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop specific measures to ensure the safety of students and staff in school laboratories where hazardous chemicals are used. Such measures shall include the development and implementation of a chemical hygiene plan in accordance with 8 CCR 5191 and instruction to students about proper handling of hazardous substances.
Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
- 49340-49341 Hazardous substances education
- 49401.5 Legislative intent; consultation services
- 49411 Chemical listing; compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL CODE
- 12981 Regulations re pesticides and worker safety

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
- 25163 Transportation of hazardous wastes; registration; exemptions; inspection
- 25500-25520 Hazardous materials; release response plans; inventory

LABOR CODE
- 6360-6363 Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act
- 6380-6386 List of hazardous substances

CODE OF REGULATIONS, Title 8
- 339 List of hazardous substances
- 3203 Illness and injury prevention program
- 3204 Records of employee exposure to toxic or harmful substances
- 5139-5230 Control of hazardous substances, especially
- 5154.1-5154.2 Ventilation
- 5161 Definitions
- 5162 Emergency eyewash and shower equipment
- 5163 Control of spills
- 5164 Storage of hazardous substances
- 5191 Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories; chemical hygiene plan
- 5194 Hazard Communication

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22
- 67450.40-67450.49 School hazardous waste collection, consolidation, and accumulation facilities

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

WEB SITES
- CSBA: http://www.csba.org
- California Department of Education: http://cde.ca.gov
- Department of Industrial Relations, Cal/OSHA: http://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh