# EL DORADO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

# **Business and Noninstructional Operations**

EMERGENCIES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN AR 3516

#### **COMPONENTS OF THE PLAN**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that district and school site plans address, at a minimum, the following types of emergencies and disasters:

1. Fire on or off school grounds which endangers students and staff

(cf. 3516.1 - Fire Drills and Fires)

2. Earthquake or other natural disasters

(cf. 3516.3 - Earthquake Emergency Procedure System)

3. Environmental hazards

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(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.2 - Integrated Pest Management)
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4. Attack or disturbance, or threat of attack or disturbance, by an individual or group

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(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
(cf. 5131.4 - Campus Disturbances)
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5. Bomb threat or actual detonation

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(cf. 3516.2 - Bomb Threats)
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- 6. Biological, radiological, chemical, and other activities, or heightened warning of such activities
- 7. Medical emergencies and quarantines, such as a pandemic influenza outbreak

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(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
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The Superintendent or designees shall also ensure that the district's procedures include strategies and actions for prevention/mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery, including, but not limited to, the following:

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1. Regular inspection of school facilities and equipment and identification of risks

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

- 2. Instruction and practice for students and employees regarding emergency plans, including:
  - a. Training of staff in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, as applicable
  - b. Regular practice of emergency procedures by students and staff

(cf. 4131 / 4231 / 4331 - Staff Development)

- 3. Specific determination of roles and responsibilities of staff during a disaster or other emergency, including determination of:
  - a. The appropriate chain of command at the district and, if communication between the district and site is not possible, at each site
  - b. Individuals responsible for specific duties
  - c. Designation of the principal for the overall control and supervision of activities at each school during the emergency, including authorization to use his/her discretion in situations which do not permit execution of prearranged plans
  - d. Identification of at least one person at each site who holds a valid certificate in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation
  - e. Assignment of responsibility for identification of injured persons and administration of first aid
- 4. Personal safety and security, including:
  - a. Identification of areas of responsibility for supervision of students
  - b. Procedures for evacuation of students and staff, including posting of evacuation routes
  - c. Procedures for release of students, including a procedure to release students when reference to the emergency card is not feasible

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies) (cf. 5142 - Safety)

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d. Identification of transportation needs, including a plan which allows bus seating capacity limits to be exceeded when a disaster or hazard requires students to be moved immediately to ensure their safety

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

- e. Provision of a safety kit to each classroom
- f. Arrangements for students and staff with special needs

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(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
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g. Upon notification that a pandemic situation exists, adjustment of attendance policies for students

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(cf. 4161.1 / 4261.1 / 4361.1 - Personal Illnesses /Injury Leaves)
(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 6183 - Home and Hospital Instruction)
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- 5. Closure of schools, including analysis of:
  - a. The impact on student learning and methods to ensure continuity of instruction
  - b. How to provide for continuity of operations for essential central office functions, such as payroll and ongoing communication with students and parents/guardians

(cf. 3516.5 - Emergency Schedules)

- 6. Communications among staff, parents/guardians, the Governing Board, other governmental agencies, and the media during an emergency, including:
  - a. Identification of spokesperson(s)

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)

b. Development and testing of communication platforms, such as hotlines, telephone trees, and web sites

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

c. Development of methods to ensure that communications are, to the extent practicable, in a language and format that is easy for parents/guardians to understand

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- d. Distribution of information about district and school site emergency procedures to staff, students, and parents/guardians
- 7. Cooperation with other state and local agencies, including:
  - a. Development of guidelines for law enforcement involvement and intervention
  - b. Collaboration with the local health department, including development of a tracking system to alert the local health department to a substantial increase of student or staff absenteeism as indicative of a potential outbreak of an infectious disease

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

- 8. Steps to be taken following the disaster or emergency, including:
  - a. Inspection of school facilities
  - b. Provision of mental health services for students and staff, as needed

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Staff)

The Superintendent or designee may provide a plan which allows bus seating capacity limits to be exceeded when a disaster or hazard requires students to be moved immediately to ensure their safety. (Education Code 39834)

(cf. 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies)

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