
FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans
COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY PLAN

The County Superintendent and County Board recognize that students and staff have the right to a safe and secure campus where they are free from physical and psychological harm. The County Superintendent and County Board are fully committed to maximizing school safety and to creating a positive learning environment that includes strategies for violence prevention and high expectations for staff and student conduct, responsible behavior, and respect for others.

The County Superintendent or designee shall oversee the development of a comprehensive school safety plan (CSSP) that is applicable to each school site. (Education Code 32281.)

The CSSP shall take into account the school's staffing, available resources, and building design, as well as other factors unique to the site.

The CSSP shall be reviewed and updated by March 1 of each year. (Education Code 32286.) The County Superintendent is responsible for the annual review, updating, and approval of the CSSP.

As necessary, the County Superintendent or designee shall provide training on the CSSP to school staff.

By October 15 of each year, the County Superintendent shall notify the California Department of Education of any school that is operated by the County Superintendent that has not complied with the requirements of Education Code 32281. (Education Code 32288.)

Tactical Response Plan

Notwithstanding the process described above, any portion of a CSSP that includes tactical responses to criminal incidents that may result in death or serious bodily injury at the school site, including steps to safeguard students and staff, secure affected school premises, and apprehend the criminal perpetrator(s), may be developed by County Superintendent administrators in accordance with Education Code 32281. In developing such strategies, County Superintendent administrators may consult with law enforcement officials and with representative(s) of employee bargaining unit(s), if they choose to participate.

Safety Plan(s) Access and Reporting

The County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that an updated file of all safety-related plans and materials is readily available for inspection by the public. (Education Code 32282.) However, those portions of the CSSP that include tactical responses to criminal incidents shall not be publicly disclosed.

The County Superintendent or designee shall provide data to the California Department of Education pertaining to lockdown or multi-option response drills conducted at County Superintendent-operated schools in accordance with Education Code 32289.5. (Education Code 32289.5)

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Adopted: 08/16/2012

Amended: 11/17/2016, 09/15/2022, 02/19/2026

Legal Reference

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination
32260-32262 Interagency School Safety Demonstration Act of 1985
32270 School safety cadre
32280-32289 School safety plans
32290 Safety devices
35147 School site councils and advisory committees
35183 School dress code; uniforms
35266 Reporting of cyberattacks
35291 Rules
35291.5 School-adopted discipline rules
41020 Annual Audit
48900-48927 Suspension and expulsion
48950 Speech and other communication
48980 Parent/Guardian notifications
49079 Notification to teacher; student act constituting grounds for suspension or expulsion
49390-49395 Homicide threats
49414.35 Emergency treatment for opioid overdose
49414.6 Student possession of opioid antagonist
67381 Availability of information regarding crimes

GOVERNMENT CODE

11549.3 Independent security assessment
54957 Closed session meetings for threats to security
8586.5 California Cybersecurity Integration Center

PENAL CODE

422.55 Definition of hate crime
626.8 Disruptions
11164-11174.3 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 1, Section 28(c) Right to Safe Schools

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

11987-11987.7 School Community Violence Prevention Program requirements
11992-11993 Definition, persistently dangerous schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 6

665k Federal Clearinghouse on School Safety Evidence-Based Practices

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
7111-7122 Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants
7912 Transfers from persistently dangerous schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Section 504

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act

Management Resources

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

School Safety: Firearm Safety and Storage, May 2023
Comprehensive School Safety Plans, July 2024
Legal Guidance on Rights of Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students in Schools, October 2022
Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, Third Edition, October 2011
Cyberbullying: Policy Considerations for Boards, Policy Brief, July 2010
Providing a Safe, Nondiscriminatory School Environment for Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students, Policy Brief, April 2014

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Instructional Continuity Plan Guidance

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION PUBLICATIONS

Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook, 2004

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Practical Information on Crisis Planning: A Guide for Schools and Communities, January 2007

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY PUBLICATION

Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management in Practice 2024

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Safe Schools: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/lr/ss>
California Governor's Office of Emergency Services: <https://www.caloes.ca.gov/>
California Healthy Kids Survey: <https://calschls.org/>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <http://www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention>
Federal Bureau of Investigation: <http://www.fbi.gov>
National Center for Crisis Management: <https://www.aets.org/a-practical-guide-for-crisis-response-in-our-schools-sixth-edition>
National School Safety Center: <http://www.schoolsafety.us>
U.S. Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov>