
FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Business and Non-instructional Operations
HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

It is recognized that in the daily operations of County Superintendent and County Board functions potentially hazardous substances may need to be used.

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

The quantity of hazardous substances stored on County Board-owned or County Superintendent-leased property shall be minimized. The County Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement, and maintain 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.

Regular inspections of schools and other facilities under County Board or County Superintendent jurisdiction shall be conducted to identify potential sources of risks. The County 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.

The County Superintendent or designee shall not order or purchase for use in grades K-6 any arts and crafts materials containing a substance determined by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to be toxic. The County Superintendent or designee shall not purchase any such toxic material for use in grades 7-12 unless it includes a warning label as specified in Education Code 32065 that identifies any toxic ingredients, warns of potential adverse health effects, and describes procedures for safe use and storage. (Education Code 32064)

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Legal References

Education Code

32060-32066 Toxic art supplies

49340-49341 Hazardous substances education

49401.5 Legislative intent; consultation services

49411 Chemical listings; compounds used in school programs

Food and Agricultural Code

12981 Chemical listing; compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal

Health and Safety Code

108100-108515 California Hazardous Substances Act

25163 Transportation of hazardous wastes; registration; exemptions; inspection

25500-25520 Hazardous materials release response plans; inventory

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Labor Code

6360-6363 Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act

6380-6386 List of hazardous substances

Code of Regulations, Title 8

337-339 Hazardous substances list

3203 Injury and illness prevention program

3204 Employees exposed to bloodborne pathogens standard

5139-5230 Control of hazardous substances, especially

5154.1-5154.2 Ventilation

5162 Emergency eyewash and shower equipment

5163 Control of spills

5164 Storage of hazardous substances

5191 Chemical hygiene plan

5194 Hazard communication

Code of Regulations, Title 22

67450.40-67450.49 School hazardous waste collection, consolidation, and accumulation facilities