

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**Business**
CAMPUS SECURITY

The County Superintendent and County Board are committed to providing a school environment that promotes the safety of students, staff, and visitors to school grounds. The County Superintendent and County Board also recognize the importance of protecting property, facilities, and equipment from vandalism and theft.

The County Superintendent or designee shall develop campus security procedures, which may be included in the comprehensive safety plan and/or site-level safety plans. Such procedures shall be regularly reviewed to reflect changed circumstances and to assess their effectiveness in achieving safe school objectives.

Reporting Threats

Any certificated or classified employee, or other school official, whose duties bring the employee or other school official in contact on a regular basis with students in any of grades 6-12, as part of a middle or high school, who are alerted to or observe any threat or perceived threat of a homicidal act, as defined, shall immediately report the threat or perceived threat to law enforcement in accordance with Education Code 49393. (Education Code 49390, 49393)

Threat or perceived threat means any writing or action of a student that creates a reasonable suspicion that the student is preparing to commit a homicidal or suicidal act related to school or a school activity. This may include possession, use, or depictions of firearms, ammunition, shootings, or targets in association with infliction of physical harm, destruction, or death in a social media post, journal, class note, or other media associated with the student. It may also include a warning by a parent, student, or other individual.

Additionally, anyone who receives or learns of a health or safety threat related to school or a school activity is encouraged to report the threat to a school or site administrator.

Surveillance Systems

In consultation with the school site council, safety planning committee, other relevant community members, and staff, the County Superintendent or designee shall identify appropriate locations for the placement of surveillance cameras. Cameras shall not be placed in areas where students, staff, or community members have a reasonable expectation of privacy. Any audio capability on the County Superintendent's surveillance equipment shall be disabled so that sounds are not recorded.

Prior to the operation of the surveillance system, the County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs are posted at conspicuous and targeted locations around school buildings and grounds. These signs shall state that the facility uses video surveillance equipment for security purposes and that the equipment may or may not be actively monitored at any time. The County Superintendent or designee shall also provide prior written notice to students and parents/guardians about the surveillance system, including the locations where surveillance may

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occur and that the recordings may be used in disciplinary proceedings and/or referred to local law enforcement, as appropriate.

To the extent that any images from the County Superintendent's surveillance system create a student or personnel record, the County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the images are accessed, retained, and disclosed in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation, and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

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Legal References

Education Code

17070.10-17079.30 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act
17583 Classroom security locks; modernization projects
32020 School gates; entrances for emergency vehicles
32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes
32280-32289.5 School safety plans
35160 Authority of governing boards
35160.1 Broad authority of county boards and county superintendents
35266 Reporting of cyber attacks
38000-38005 Security departments
49050-49051 Searches by school employees
49060-49079 Student records
49390-49395 Homicide threats

Government Code

11549.3 Independent security assessment

Penal Code

469 Unauthorized making, duplicating or possession of key to public building
626-626.11 Weapons on school grounds and other school crimes

Code of Regulations, Title 24

1010.2 Door operations
1010.2.8.2 Lockable doors from the inside

United States Code, Title 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 34

99.3 Definition of education records