Students
ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

The County Superintendent and County Board believe that the use of alcohol or other drugs adversely affects a student's ability to achieve academic success, is physically and emotionally harmful, and has serious social and legal consequences. The County Superintendent or designee shall develop comprehensive programs and activities to foster safe, healthy, and drug-free environments that support academic achievement.

The County Superintendent's alcohol and drug prevention and intervention programs shall be coordinated with other school and community-based services and programs and shall promote the involvement of parents/guardians. The County Superintendent or designee may collaborate with community-based organizations, health providers, law enforcement agencies, local child welfare agencies, postsecondary institutions, businesses, and other public and private entities in program planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Prevention and intervention programs and activities may include, but are not limited to: (20 USC 7118)

1. Evidence-based drug and violence prevention activities and programs that educate students against the use of alcohol, tobacco, cannabis, smokeless tobacco products, and electronic cigarettes

2. Professional development and training for school staff, specialized instructional support personnel, and interested community members on drug prevention, education, early identification, intervention mentoring, recovery support services, and, where appropriate, rehabilitation referral

3. School-based mental health services, including early identification of drug use and referrals to counseling services, and/or partnerships with public or private health care entities that have qualified mental and behavioral health professionals

4. Programs and activities that provide mentoring and school counseling to all students, including students who are at risk of drug use and abuse

Instruction

The County Superintendent or designee shall provide science-based preventative instruction which has been proven effective in helping students avoid the use of alcohol and other drugs.

All instruction and related materials shall consistently state that unlawful use of alcohol or other drugs is prohibited. Instruction shall not include any message on responsible use of drugs or alcohol when such use is illegal. (Health and Safety Code 11999.2)

The County Superintendent or designee shall offer staff development activities for staff who implement the comprehensive drug and alcohol prevention and intervention program.
Intervention, Referral, and Student Assistance Programs

The County Superintendent or designee shall inform school staff, students, and parents/guardians about early warning signs which may indicate alcohol and other drug use and about appropriate agencies offering intervention programs, counseling, referral, and other student assistance programs.

The County Superintendent strongly encourages any student who is using alcohol or drugs to discuss the matter with his/her parent/guardian or with any staff member. Students who disclose their use of alcohol or other drugs when seeking help from an intervention or recovery program shall not be disciplined for such use.

Enforcement/Discipline

Students shall not possess, use, or sell alcohol or other drugs and related paraphernalia on school grounds or at school-sponsored activities.

The County Superintendent or designee shall clearly communicate to all students, staff, and parents/guardians the policies, regulations, and school rules related to the use of alcohol and other drugs.

Any student found to be selling a controlled substance listed in Health and Safety Code 11053-11058 shall be subject to discipline in accordance with County Superintendent/County Board policy. A student found to have committed another drug or alcohol offense, including possession or intoxication, may be referred to appropriate behavioral interventions or student assistance programs, and may be subject to discipline on a case-by-case basis in accordance with County Superintendent/County Board policy.

Program Evaluation

The County Superintendent shall implement performance measures that will be used to periodically monitor and determine the effectiveness of County Superintendent programs in reducing drug and alcohol use. (20 USC 7116)

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Legal Reference

Education Code
44049  Known or suspected alcohol or drug abuse by student
44645  In-service training anabolic steroids
48900  Suspension or expulsion (grounds)
48900.5 Suspension, limitation on imposition; exception
48901  Smoking or use of tobacco prohibited
48901.5 Prohibition of electronic signaling devices
48902  Notification of law enforcement authorities; civil or criminal immunity
48909  Narcotics or other hallucinogenic drugs
48915  Expulsion; particular circumstances
49602  Confidentiality of pupil information
51202  Instruction in personal and public health and safety
51203  Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and restricted dangerous drugs
51210  Areas of study
51220  Areas of study, grades 7 to 12
51260-51269  Drug education
60041 Instructional materials
60110-60115  Instructional materials on alcohol and drug education

**Business and Professions Code**
25608  Alcohol on school property; use in connection with instruction

**Health and Safety Code**
11032  Narcotics, restricted dangerous drugs and marijuana
11053-11058  Standards and schedules
11353.6  Juvenile Drug Trafficking and Schoolyard Act
11357  Unauthorized possession of marijuana; possession in school or on school grounds
11361.5  Destruction of arrest or conviction records
11372.7  Drug program fund; uses
11802  Joint school-community alcohol abuse primary education and prevention program
11999-11999.3  Alcohol and drug program funding; no unlawful use
124175-124200  Adolescent family life program

**Penal Code**
13860-13864  Suppression of drug abuse in schools

**Vehicle Code**
13202.5  Drug and alcohol related offenses by person under age of 21, but aged 13 or over;

**Welfare and Institutions Code**
828  Disclosure of information re minors
828.1  Disclosure of criminal records; protection of vulnerable staff & students

**United States Code, Title 20**
5812  National education goals
7101-7122  Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants

**Management Resources**

**Websites**
California Department of Education, Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Prevention: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/at

California Healthy Kids:  http://www.californiahealthykids.org
Office of Safe and Healthy Students: https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oese/osh