

Policy 3260: Fees And Charges

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The Board of Trustees recognizes its responsibility to ensure that books, materials, equipment, supplies, and other resources necessary for student participation in the district's educational program are made available to students at no cost.

No student shall be required to pay a fee, deposit, or other charge for participation in an educational activity which constitutes an integral fundamental part of the district's educational program, including curricular and extracurricular activities. (Education Code 49010, 49011; 5 CCR 350)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

As necessary, the Board may approve fees, deposits, and other charges which are specifically authorized by law. When approving such fees, deposits, or charges, establishing fee schedules, or determining whether waivers or exceptions should be granted, the Board shall consider relevant data, including the socioeconomic conditions of students' families and their ability to pay.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 0415 - Equity)

(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 5143 - Insurance)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

The prohibition against student fees shall not prevent the district from soliciting for donations, conducting fundraising activities, or providing prizes or other recognition for participants in such activities and events. The Superintendent or designee shall emphasize that participation of students, parents/guardians, district employees, volunteers, or educational or civic organizations in such activities and events is voluntary. The district shall not offer or award to a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities in exchange for voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student. The district also shall not remove or threaten to remove from a student any course credit or privileges related to educational activities, or otherwise discriminate against the student, due to a lack of voluntary donations or participation in fundraising activities by or on behalf of the student.

(cf. 1321 - Solicitation of Funds from and by Students)

(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)

The Superintendent or designee may provide information or professional development opportunities to administrators, teachers, and other personnel regarding permissible fees.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Complaints

A complaint alleging district noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring student fees, deposits, or other charges shall be filed in accordance with the district's procedures in BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 49013)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

If, upon investigation, the district finds merit in the complaint, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend and the Board shall adopt an appropriate remedy to be provided to all affected students and parents/guardians in accordance with 5 CCR 4600.

Information related to the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees for participation in an educational activity shall be included in the district's annual notification of uniform complaint procedures to be provided to all students, parents/guardians, employees, and other interested parties pursuant to 5 CCR 4622. (Education Code 49013)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Collection of Debt

The Superintendent or designee shall, in accordance with law, recover any debt owed to the district as a result of unpaid permissible student fees approved by the Board. However, the district shall not bill a current or former student for accumulated debt, nor take negative action against a student or former student because of such debt, including, but not limited to, any of the following: (Education Code 49014)

1. Denying full credit for any class assignment
2. Denying full and equal participation in any classroom activity
3. Denying access to the library or other on-campus educational facilities
4. Denying or withholding grades or transcripts
5. Denying or withholding a diploma
6. Limiting or barring participation in an extracurricular activity, club, or sport
7. Limiting or excluding the student from participation in an educational activity, field trip, or school ceremony

Policy Reference Disclaimer: These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State References

5 CCR 350

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[Fees not permitted](#)

5 CCR 4600-4687

[Uniform complaint procedures](#)

CA Constitution Article 9, Section 5

[Common school system](#)

Ed. Code 17453.1

[District sale or lease of Internet appliances or personal computers to parents of students](#)

Ed. Code 17551

[Property fabricated by students](#)

Ed. Code 19910-19911

[Offenses against libraries](#)

Ed. Code 32033

[Eye protective devices](#)

Ed. Code 32221

[Insurance for athletic team member](#)

Ed. Code 32390

[Voluntary program for fingerprinting students](#)

Ed. Code 35330-35332

[Field trips](#)

Ed. Code 35335

[School camp programs](#)

Ed. Code 38080-38086.1

[Cafeteria establishment and use](#)

Ed. Code 38120

[Use of school band equipment on excursions to foreign countries](#)

Ed. Code 39801.5

[Transportation for adults](#)

Ed. Code 39807.5

[Payment of transportation costs by parents](#)

Ed. Code 39837	Transportation to summer employment program
Ed. Code 48050	Residents of adjoining states
Ed. Code 48052	Tuition for foreign residents
Ed. Code 48904	Liability of parent or guardian; withholding of grades, diplomas, transcripts
Ed. Code 49010-49013	Student fees
Ed. Code 49014	Public School Fair Debt Collection Act
Ed. Code 49065	Reasonable charge for transcripts
Ed. Code 49066	Grades; effect of physical education class apparel
Ed. Code 49091.14	Parental review of curriculum
Ed. Code 49557.5	Child Hunger Prevention and Fair Treatment Act of 2017
Ed. Code 51810-51815	Community service classes
Ed. Code 52612	Tuition for adult classes
Ed. Code 52613	Nonimmigrant foreign nationals
Ed. Code 56504	School records; students with disabilities
Ed. Code 60410	Books for adult classes
Ed. Code 8239	Preschool and wraparound child care services
Ed. Code 8250	Child care and development services for children with disabilities
Ed. Code 8263	Eligibility and priorities for subsidized child development services
Ed. Code 8422	21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens programs
Ed. Code 8760-8774	Outdoor science, conservation, and forestry programs
Gov. Code 6253	Request for copy; fee

Federal References

8 USC 1184

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[Foreign students](#)

Management Resources References

California Department of Education Publication

Court Decision

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[Pupil Fees, Deposits, and Other Charges, Fiscal Management Advisory 17-01, July 28, 2017](#)

[Driving School Assn of CA v. San Mateo Union HSD \(1992\) 11 Cal. App. 4th 1513](#)

[Steffes v. California Interscholastic Federation \(1986\) 176 Cal. App. 3d 739](#)

[Hartzell v. Connell \(1984\) 35 Cal. 3d 899](#)

[CTA v. Glendale School District Board of Education \(1980\) 109 Cal. App. 3d 738](#)

[Arcadia Unified School District v. California Department of Education, \(1992\) 2 Cal. 4th 251](#)

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[California Department of Education](#)

Cross References

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[Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities](#)

[School-Connected Organizations](#)

[Uniform Complaint Procedures](#)

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