

Business and Noninstructional Operations

Contracts/Purchase Orders

All contracts on behalf of the District not specifically required to be signed by the President, Clerk, or Secretary of the Board of Education are to be signed by the Superintendent, Chief Business and Financial Officer, and the designee. Purchase orders are to be signed by the Director of Financial Services, Director of Procurement & Contract Services, or the designated buyers. To be valid or to constitute an enforceable obligation against the district, all contracts must be approved and/or ratified by the Board.

All contracts between the district and outside agencies shall conform to standards required by law and shall be prepared under the direction of the Superintendent or designee.

When required by law, contracts and subcontracts made by the district for public works or for goods or services shall contain a nondiscrimination clause prohibiting discrimination by contractors or subcontractors. The nondiscrimination clause shall contain a provision requiring contractors and subcontractors to give written notice of their obligations to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other agreement.

The district shall not enter into a contract that prohibits a school employee from disparaging the goods or services of the contracting party.

Contracts for Non-Nutritious Foods or Beverages

The district or a district school shall not enter into or renew a contract for the sale of foods or beverages that do not meet the nutritional standards specified in Education Code 49431 – 49431.7 unless the contract specifies that such sales will occur later than one-half hour after the end of the school day and/or off school premises.

In accordance with the dates specified in law, the district or a district school shall not enter into or renew a contract for the sale of beverages that do not meet the nutritional standards in Education Code 49431.5 unless the contract specifies that such sales will occur later than one-half hour after the end of the school day and/or off school premises.

Before the district or a district school enters into or renews a contract that grants exclusive or nonexclusive advertising or sale of carbonated beverages, non-nutritious beverages, or non-nutritious food as defined in law, the Board shall ensure that the district has sufficient internal controls in place to protect the integrity of public funds and to ensure that funds raised as a result of the contract benefit public education.

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The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to enter into contracts on behalf of the District for the acquisition of equipment, supplies, services, and other resources necessary for the achievement of district goals. In exercising this authority to enter into a contract, the Board shall ensure that the District's interest is protected and that the terms of the contract conform to applicable legal standards, including the bidding requirements in Public Contract Code 20111 or under Public Contract Code 22000 et. seq. (CUPCCAA) as appropriate per Board Policy 3311.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop the district's internal control procedures to protect the integrity of public funds. Such internal controls may include but not be limited to the following:

1. Procedures that produce accurate and reliable financial statements and, at the same time, safeguard the assets, financial resources, and integrity of every employee responsible for handling money or property. Control systems shall be systematically evaluated and revised to keep pace with the changing responsibilities of management.

To ensure that funds raised by the contract benefit district schools and students:

1. The Superintendent or designee may involve parents/guardians, students, staff, and interested community members to make recommendations regarding the contract, including recommendations as to how the funds will be spent in a manner that benefits public education.
2. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the contract does not limit the ability of student and parent organizations to plan and operate fund-raising activities.

The contract shall be entered into on a competitive bid basis pursuant to Public Contract Code 20111, or through the issuance of a Request for Proposal, or under Public Contract Code 22000 et. seq. (CUPCCAA) as appropriate per Board Policy 3311.

Contracts for Electronic Products or Services

The Board shall not enter into a contract for electronic products or services that requires the dissemination of advertising to students, unless the Board:

1. Enters into the contract at a noticed, public hearing of the Board.
2. Makes a finding that the electronic product or service is or would be an integral component of the education of students.

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3. Makes a finding that the district cannot afford to provide the electronic product or service unless it contracts to permit dissemination of advertising to students.
4. As part of the district's normal, ongoing communication to parents/guardians, provides written notice that the advertising will be used in the classroom or other learning center.
5. Offers parents/guardians the opportunity to request in writing that their child not be exposed to the program that contains the advertising. Any request shall be honored for the school year in which it is submitted, or longer if specified, but may be withdrawn by the parents/guardians at any time.

Contracts for Digital Storage and Maintenance of Student Records

The District may enter into or renew a contract with a third party for the purpose of providing services, including cloud-based services, for the digital, management, and retrieval of student records and/or to provide digital educational software that authorizes a third-party provider of digital educational software to access, store, and use student records. For these purposes, student records include any information maintained by the district that is directly related to a student and any information acquired directly from the student through the use of instructional software or applications assigned to the student by a teacher or other district employee, and do not include de-identified information.

1. A statement that student records continue to be the property of and under the control of the district
2. If applicable, a description of the means by which students may retain possession and control of their own student-generated content, as defined in Education Code 49073.1, including options by which a student may transfer student-generated content to a personal account
3. A prohibition against the third party using any information in the student record for any purpose other than those required or specifically permitted by the contract
4. A description of the procedures by which a parent/guardian or a student age 18 years or older may review personally identifiable information in the student's records and correct erroneous information

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5. A description of the actions the third party will take, including the designation and training of responsible individuals, to ensure the security and confidentiality of student records
6. A description of the procedures for notifying the affected parent/guardian, or the affected student if age 18 years or older, in the event of an unauthorized disclosure of the student's records
7. A certification that a student's records shall not be retained or available to the third party upon completion of the terms of the contract and a description of how that certification will be enforced, except that these requirements shall not apply to student-generated content if the student chooses to establish or maintain an account with the third party for the purpose of storing that content
8. A description of how the district and the third party will jointly ensure compliance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 USC 1232g
9. A prohibition against the third party using personally identifiable information in student records to engage in targeted advertising

Contracts for Personal Services

In order to achieve cost savings, the district may enter into or renew a contract for any personal service that is currently or customarily performed by classified employees, if the contract does not displace school district employees and meets other conditions specified in Education Code 45103.1. To enter into or renew such a contract, the Board shall ensure that the district meets the numerous conditions specified in Education Code 45103.1.

In addition, the District may enter into or renew any contract for personal service without meeting the conditions described above, if any of the following conditions exists:

1. The contract is for new district functions and the Legislature has specifically mandated or authorized the performance of the work by independent contractors.
2. The services contracted are not available within the district, cannot be performed satisfactorily by district employees, or are of such a highly specialized or technical nature that the necessary expert knowledge, experience, and ability are not available through the district.

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3. The services are incidental to a contract for the purchase or lease of real or personal property, including, but not be limited to, agreements to service or maintain office equipment or computers that are leased or rented.
4. The district's policy, administrative, or legal goals and purposes cannot be accomplished through the utilization of persons selected pursuant to the regular or ordinary district hiring process.
5. The nature of the work is such that the criteria for emergency appointments, as defined in Education Code 45103.1, apply.
6. The contractor will provide equipment, materials, facilities, or support services that could not feasibly be provided by the district in the location where the services are to be performed.
7. The services are of such an urgent, temporary, or occasional nature that the delay that would result from using the district's regular or ordinary hiring process would frustrate their very purpose.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE
 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex
 14505 Provisions required in contracts for audits
 17595-17606 Contracts
 35182.5 Contract prohibitions
 45103.1 Personal services contracts
 45103.5 Contracts for management consulting service related to food
 service
 49073.1 Contract requirements for digital storage, maintenance and
 retrieval of student records
 49431-49431.7 Nutritional standards

 CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE
 685.010 Rate of interest

 GOVERNMENT CODE
 12990 Nondiscrimination and compliance employment programs
 53260 Contract provision re maximum cash settlement
 53262 Ratification of contracts with administrative officers

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LABOR CODE

1775 Penalties for violations

1810-1813 Working hours

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

4100-4114 Subletting and subcontracting fair practices

7104 Contracts for excavations; discovery of hazardous waste

7106 Noncollusion affidavit

20111 Contracts over \$50,000; contracts for construction; award to lowest responsible bidder

20104.50 Construction Progress Payments

22300 Performance retentions

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15500 Food sales by student organizations

15501 Sales in high schools and junior high schools

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

1681-1688 Title IX, discrimination

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

210.1-210.31 National School Lunch Program

220.1-220.21 National School Breakfast Program

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