

Business and Non-instructional Operations

Recovery for Property Loss or Damage

The Board of Trustees shall seek reimbursement of damages and rewards from any individual or from the custodial parent/guardian of any minor who commits and act of theft or vandalism.

Rewards

If law enforcement officials are unable to fix responsibility for the theft or vandalism, the Board of Trustees of the Lowell Joint School District authorizes the payment of a reward of up to \$500 to anyone providing information leading to the determination of the identify, arrest and conviction of any person or persons who willfully damage or destroy school district property.

In the event arrest and conviction are not possible, this reward will be made to anyone whose assistance in providing information leads to the recovery of damages, including the amount of the reward, from vandals and/or their guardians.

The Superintendent or his designee will compile a data file on each case, and with his recommendation for the amount of the reward, will present each case for the Board's consideration and action. Whenever possible, each case will be considered in closed session to protect the anonymity of persons involved.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

19910 Libraries, malicious cutting, tearing, defacing, breaking or injuring

19911 Libraries, willful detention of property

44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct

48904 Liability of parent or guardian for willful misconduct; withholding of grades, diplomas and transcripts

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Liability of parent or guardian for act of willful misconduct by a minor

GOVERNMENT CODE

53069.5 Reward for information concerning person causing death, injury, or property damage; liability for reward

53069.6 Actions to recover damages

54951 Local agency, definition

61601.1 Graffiti abatement district

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PENAL CODE

484 Theft defined

594 Vandalism

594.1 Aerosol paint and etching cream

640.5 Graffiti; facilities or vehicles of governmental entity

640.6 Graffiti

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