

Community Relations

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE

The Board of Trustees encourages parents/guardians and other members of the community to share their time, knowledge and abilities with students. Volunteer assistance in schools enriches the educational program, enhances supervision of students and contributes to school safety while strengthening the schools' relationships with the community. The Board also encourages community members to serve as mentors providing support and motivation to students.

(cf. 1000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
(cf. 4127/4227/4327 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches)
(cf. 4222 - Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals)
(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement a plan for recruiting, screening and placing volunteers.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to protect the safety of students and adults. These procedures shall include laws related to tuberculosis testing and may also include laws related to criminal record checks.

Volunteers shall act in accordance with district policies, regulations and school rules.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

Volunteer maintenance work shall be limited to those projects that do not replace the normal maintenance duties of classified staff. The Board nevertheless encourages volunteers to work on short-term projects to the extent that they enhance the classroom or school, do not significantly increase maintenance workloads and comply with employee commitments and contracts.

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35021 Volunteer aides
35021.1 Automated records check
44010 Sex offense; definition
44227.5 Classroom participation by college methodology faculty
44814-44815 Supervision of students during lunch and other nutrition periods
45125 Fingerprinting requirements
45340-45349 Instructional aides
45360-45367 Teacher aides
49406 Examination for tuberculosis

GOVERNMENT CODE

3100-3109 Oath or affirmation of allegiance
3543.5 Prohibited interference with employees' rights

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

1596.871 Fingerprints of individuals in contact with child day care facility clients

LABOR CODE

3364.5 Persons performing voluntary services for school districts

PENAL CODE

290 Registration of sex offenders
290.4 Information re sex offenders

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

101170 Criminal record clearance
101216 Health screening, volunteers in child care centers

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6319 Qualifications and duties of paraprofessionals, Title I programs

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

62 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 325 (1979)

COURT DECISIONS

Whisman Elementary School District, 15 Public Employee Reporter for California, 22043

Management Resources:

NATIONAL PTA PUBLICATIONS

National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement Programs, 1997
Building Successful Partnerships: A Guide for Developing Parent and Family Involvement Programs, 2000

WEB SITES

California PTA: <http://www.capta.org>
National PTA: <http://www.pta.org>
California Partners in Education: <http://www.capie.org>
National Coalition for Parent Involvement in Education: <http://www.ncpie.org>
U.S. Department of Education, Partnership for Family Involvement in Education: <http://pfie.ed.gov>
CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>
California Department of Justice, Megan's Law mapping:
<http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov>

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