

**Students**

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Surveys Requesting Information about Beliefs and Practices

A student's parent/guardian, or a student who is an adult or emancipated minor, shall provide prior written consent before the student is required to participate in a survey inquiring about one or more of the following: (Education Code 51513; 20 USC 1232h; Education Code 51513)

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or his/her family parent/guardian
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or his/her family
3. Sexual behavior or attitudes or personal beliefs and practices in family life or morality
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior
5. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom students have close family relationships
6. Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians or ministers
7. Religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or his/her parent/guardian
8. Income, except to the extent that income is required to be disclosed by law for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program

(cf. 3553 – Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 5148 – Child Care and Development)

If a student participates in a survey regarding information about beliefs and practices as identified above, school officials and staff members shall not request or disclose the student's identity.

(cf. 6162.8 - Research)

Notwithstanding the above requirements for prior written consent, the district may administer to students in grades 7-12, anonymous, voluntary, and confidential research and evaluation tools to measure student health risks and behaviors, including tests and surveys about the student's attitudes or practices related to sex as long as parents/guardians are

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provided written notice and given an opportunity to request that their child not participate. (Education Code 51938)

If the district administers a voluntary survey that already includes questions pertaining to sexual orientation and/or gender identity, the Superintendent or designee shall not remove such questions. (Education Code 51514)

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**Parent/Guardian Access to Surveys and Instructional Materials**

The parent/guardian of any district student, upon his/her request, shall have the right to inspect: (Education Code 51938; 20 USC 1232h)

1. A survey or other instrument to be administered or distributed to his/her child that either collects personal information for marketing or sale or requests information about beliefs and practices
2. Any instructional material to be used as part of his/her child's educational curriculum

(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)

Within a reasonable period of time of receiving a request, the principal or designee shall permit a parent/guardian to view a survey, instrument or instructional material he/she requested. A parent/guardian may view the document any time during normal business hours.

No student shall be subject to penalty for his/her parent/guardian's exercise of any of the rights stated above.

**Health Examinations**

Authorized school officials may administer to any student any physical examination or screening under California law. However, no student shall be subjected to a nonemergency invasive physical examination without prior written notice to his/her parent/guardians, unless an applicable state law authorizes the student to provide consent without parental/guardian notification. (20 USC 1232h)

Invasive physical examination means any medical examination that involves the exposure of private body parts or any act during such examination that includes incision, insertion or injection into the body, but does not include a properly authorized hearing, vision or scoliosis screening. (20 USC 1232h)

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(cf. 5131.61 - Drug Testing)  
(cf. 5141.21 – Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)  
(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)  
(cf. 5141.32 – Health Screening for School Entry)  
(cf. 5141.6 – School Health Services)

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### Notifications

At the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians of: (20 USC 1232h)

1. The district's policy regarding student privacy
2. The process to opt their children out of participation in any activity described in this policy and administrative regulation
3. The specific or approximate dates during the school year when the following activities are scheduled:
  - a. Survey requesting personal information
  - b. Physical exams or screenings
  - c. Collection of personal information from students for marketing

Prior to administering anonymous and voluntary surveys regarding health risks and behaviors to students in grades 7-12, the district shall provide parents/guardians with written notice that the survey is to be administered. (Education Code 51938)

Parents/guardians shall also be notified of any substantive change in this policy and administrative regulation within a reasonable period of time after adoption of the change. (20 USC 1232h)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

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