

**STUDENT DISTURBANCES**

The Governing Board desires to provide orderly campuses that create a positive school environment and are conducive to learning. When students initiate or are involved in a campus disturbance that has the potential to threaten the safety of students or staff, the Superintendent or designee may request law enforcement assistance.

The Superintendent, designee, or the school principal of each school shall, in the comprehensive school safety plan, include a section related to response to school disturbances.

Students who participate in a campus disturbance shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulations.

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

- 32210 Willful disturbance of public school or meeting
- 32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes
- 32280-32288 School safety plans
- 35160 Authority of governing boards
- 38000-38005 Security patrols
- 44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct
- 44811 Disruption of classwork or extracurricular activities
- 48900 Grounds for suspension or expulsion
- 48907 Student exercise of free expression
- 51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device

PENAL CODE

- 243.5 Assault or battery on school property
- 403-420 Crimes against the public peace, especially:
  - 415 Fighting; noise; offensive words
  - 415.5 Disturbance of peace of school
  - 416 Assembly to disturb peace; refusal to disperse
- 626-626.10 Crimes on school grounds
- 627-627.7 Access to school premises
- 653b Loitering about schools or public places

*Management Resources:*

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

911! A Manual for Schools and the Media During a Campus Crisis, 2001

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Practical Information on Crisis Planning: A Guide for Schools and Communities, May 2003

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education, Safe Schools Office: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/lss>

U.S. Department of Education, Emergency Planning:

<http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan>