

Employee Assistance Programs

The Governing Board recognizes that school district employees may have personal problems which can have detrimental effects upon job performance and student safety. Many personal problems are easier to resolve when they are addressed early, before they reach disabling proportions. The Board encourages employees to seek help when such problems exist and to take advantage of the resources that are available to assist them.

Employees shall have confidential access to information about community resources that address personal problems. This information shall be available, on a voluntary basis, to all employees, spouses, and dependents.

Management and supervisory staff shall be knowledgeable about the District's employee assistance program. When there are indications of declining performance, attendance problems, or on-the-job behavioral problems, supervisors shall consult with the Superintendent or designee to explore the resolution of such problems.

Participation in the assistance program will not jeopardize the employee's employment or career advancement, nor will it protect the employee from disciplinary action for substandard job performance.

Legal References:

Education Code

35160 Authority of Governing Board

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

44962 Leaves of absence for certificated employees

44964 Power to grant leaves of absence for accident, illness, or quarantine

45190-45209 Resignations and leaves of absence for classified employees

Government Code: 8355 Certification to contracting or granting agency; requisites

The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988: Public Law 100-690, 5151-5160

Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989: H.R. 3614

Americans with Disabilities Act. P.L. 101-336

42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.