

The Governing Board recognizes that animals can contribute to the district's instructional program by being effective teaching aids to students and by assisting individuals with disabilities to access district programs and activities. In addition, instruction related to the care and treatment of animals teaches students a sense of responsibility and promotes the humane treatment of living creatures.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop rules and procedures to ensure that when animals are brought to school, the health, safety, and welfare of students, staff, and the animals are protected. However, the district assumes no liability for the safety of animals allowed on district property.

Legal Reference:

STATE CODE

13 CCR 1216 Transportation of property

Civ. Code 54.1 Access to public places

Civ. Code 54.2 Guide, signal, or service dogs; right to accompany

EDUCATION CODE

Ed. Code 233.5 Teaching of principles

Ed. Code 39839 Transportation of guide dogs, signal dogs, service dogs

Ed. Code 51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

Ed. Code 51540 Humane treatment of animals

GOVERNMENT CODE

Gov. Code 810-996.6 Government Claims Act

Gov. Code 815 Liability for injuries generally; immunity of public entity

Gov. Code 835 Conditions of liability

VEHICLE CODE

Veh. Code 21113 Public grounds

FEDERAL CODE

20 USC 1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

28 CFR 35.104 Definitions, auxiliary aids and services

28 CFR 35.136 Service animals

29 USC 794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Section 504

MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

Court Decision Sullivan v. Vallejo City USD, (1990) 731 F.Supp. 947

CSBA Publication Indoor Air Quality: Governing Board Actions for Creating Healthy School Environments, Policy Brief, July 2008

CSBA Publication Asthma Management in the Schools, Policy Brief, March 2008

Federal Register Rules and Regulations, September 15, 2010, Vol. 75, Number 178, pages 56164-56236

Website CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services

Instruction

BP 6163.2

Website Humane Society of the United States

Website American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Website CSBA

Website U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights

CROSS REFERENCES

0410 Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities

3320 Claims And Actions Against The District

3514 Environmental Safety

3530 Risk Management/Insurance

3541.2 Transportation For Students With Disabilities

5131.1 Bus Conduct

5141 Health Care And Emergencies

5141.21 Administering Medication And Monitoring Health Conditions

5141.22 Infectious Diseases

5141.23 Asthma Management

5142 Safety

6142.4 Service Learning/Community Service Classes

6159 Individualized Education Program

6164.4 Identification And Evaluation Of Individuals For Special Education

6164.6 Identification And Education Under Section 504