# FULLERTON JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 2025/2026



#### DISTRICT SUMMER UPDATE

The District would like to welcome everyone back for the new school year. As the school year begins, we want to assure parents and students that safety is of utmost importance and we encourage you to visit www.fjuhsd.org to view our site and District Safety plans. The District aspires to prepare students to enter the global workforce through integration of technology, real-world applications, and rigorous instruction. As we anticipate the coming challenges, we also recognize the privilege and high calling each of us in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District has to build, equip, inspire, and provide opportunities to our youth for their future. Each day, we seek to provide excellence for every student - excellence that will not only prepare them for college and career but build character and integrity as well.

## FJUHSD ANNUAL NOTICES

#### DEAR PARENT/GUARDIAN:

California Education Code section 48980 requires that, at the beginning of the first semester or quarter of the regular school term, the governing board of each school district must notify parents/guardians of a minor of their rights or responsibilities under certain provisions of the Education Code. Other provisions of California and United States law also require notification of parents/guardians.

Education Code section 48982 requires that acknowledgment of this notice be signed by the parent/guardian and returned to your child's school. Your signature or digital signature on this notice is an acknowledgment that you have received the notice and have been informed of your rights, but the signature does not indicate that consent to participate in any particular program has been either given or withheld.

#### Please sign and return the acknowledgment form.

California and federal law require certain other notices in the event that specific circumstances should arise, affecting your child's education and attendance at school. If any such circumstances should arise, the District will provide notice as required by law.

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#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Board of Trustees consists of five residents of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District. Members were elected by-trustee area to serve a four-year term of office. Each year, a student representative is selected by the student body to serve on the Board, and will be asked by Board Members to cast a preferential vote on non-confidential agenda items.

Regular meetings are normally held at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Education Center. Board meetings are posted on the District website. (The Education Center is located at 1051 West Bastanchury, Fullerton.) Special meetings are called, when necessary, at a time and place announced in advance.

All regular and special meetings are open to the public. However, on some occasions during these meetings, the Board may meet privately in Closed Session as provided by law.

Meeting minutes record all actions taken by the Board. Once adopted, these minutes are public records and are available for review at the Education Center and on the District website.

Copies of the agenda and dates of meetings of the Board of Trustees are available on the District website at <a href="https://www.fjuhsd.org">www.fjuhsd.org</a> under the Board of Trustees tab.

#### MORAL AND CIVIC VALUES

On October 4, 1994, the Board of Trustees endorsed the following list of moral and civic values and the accompanying definitions, which are stated as behaviors exemplified by students living up to these values.

## **Civic Duty**

Demonstrates a commitment to the public good; works for the community and cooperates with others; respects and participates in the democratic process; observes all laws and rules; and resolves conflicts peacefully.

# **Compassion and Empathy**

Demonstrates caring, concern, and sensitivity; exhibits tolerance; treats others politely and mercifully, and with respect and dignity; and renders service when needed.

# Honesty

Tells the truth; does not cheat, intentionally mislead, or steal; possesses the courage to behave and conduct interactions with integrity; exhibits consistency between words and actions; behaves in a fair and straightforward manner; and conscientiously pursues and scrutinizes evidence that supports the truth.

#### Perseverance

Exhibits patience and hard work in achieving goals; works, learns, and pursues constructive goals, even in the face of adversity.

### Respect

Treats all people equitably, justly, and fairly; affirms the worth of self, others, property, and the environment through attitudes and actions.

## Responsibility

Accepts the necessity of being accountable and the consequences of individual actions, reactions, and decisions; honors commitments; demonstrates an active commitment to the welfare of self and others.

#### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE DISTRICT

The District's six comprehensive high schools and continuation and alternative high schools are working to meet the goals and objectives that have been adopted by the Board of Trustees. These goals and objectives were established with input from students, teachers, parents, community members, and administrative staff. They reflect the District's commitment to every student attending school in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District. In condensed form, they are printed below:

- *Provide* high-quality programs of sufficient breadth and depth so that students will have achieved or surpassed District achievement standards and will have a satisfactory level of knowledge and skills to continue formal education and/or enter a productive occupation upon graduation.
- *Provide* the environment and programs so that students will meet or exceed District standards in attendance and personal behavior.
- *Provide* adequate, secure, well-maintained physical facilities, grounds, and equipment.
- Provide sound management of District resources.
- *Provide* effective internal and external communications.
- *Provide* proper recognition of students, staff members, parents, and other community members for outstanding accomplishments and contributions to the District.
- *Provide* programs and implement decisions so that parents, staff members, and students are satisfied with the support, quality, and characteristics of the schools/District.

#### 2025/26 SCHOOL CALENDAR\*

First Day of Instruction

Labor Day Holiday

Monday, August 11, 2025

Monday, September 1, 2025

End First Quarter

Friday, October 17, 2025

Staff Development Day

Friday, November 3, 2025

Veterans' Day

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Thanksgiving Holiday Recess

November 24 - 28, 2025

End Second Quarter/Semester Records Day

Friday, December 19, 2025

Winter Recess December 22, 2025 - January 2, 2026

Martin Luther King Holiday

Lincoln Day Observed

Washington Day

End Third Quarter

Spring Recess

Staff Development Day

Monday, January 19, 2026

Monday, February 9, 2026

Monday, February 16, 2026

Friday, March 13, 2026

March 16 - March 20, 2026

Friday, April 3, 2026

Memorial Day Monday, May 25, 2026 Last Day of Instruction Thursday, May 28, 2026

## **Chromebook and Acceptable Use of Technology Policy**

The Fullerton Joint Unified School District School Board of Trustees has approved the distribution of Chromebooks for each student. A Chromebook will be issued to your child for their use at school and home. We are excited to make this powerful tool available to our students. We also understand both students and parents are naturally concerned about keeping these tools secure and in good working order.

Like textbooks, team uniforms and other school property issued to your child, there is a responsibility to take appropriate care of these valuable resources. The Chromebook is no different, but it does represent a cost to the district and consequent liability to students and parents. We have a warranty in place to cover the Chromebooks covered for manufacturing defects, but we know loss and accidents may also happen, even when students take good care of the device. In these instances, district policies, state regulations and practices require a fine be levied to cover the repair or replacement cost of district property. With Chromebooks, the cost of loss or damage is lower than many other technology tools, but it can still be significant. Information regarding Chromebook insurance and other technology policies can be located on the District website at www.fjuhsd.org. Refer to the following technology policies; BP and AR 6163.4.

Technology use is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in disciplinary consequences. Technology is used to support student learning and enhance instructional programs. The Internet makes it possible for students to access many types of resources and to interact with other students, individuals, or

<sup>\*</sup>A copy of the 2025/26 Pupil Attendance Calendar is available at www.fjuhsd.org

services located inside and outside the District. The District uses filters to limit access to inappropriate material; however, it is not possible to control all of the content of information available through any Internet service. Some of the information available through the Internet may contain harmful matter, or be otherwise inappropriate for educational purposes. The District does not condone the access or use of such information and, to the extent possible, will restrict student access to such information. To the extent that the use of technology and electronic information resources serves the educational needs of students and supports instructional programs, the District believes strongly in the importance of such technology and regards technology use as a privilege, not a right. It is, therefore, expected that student and staff system users will act in a responsible, efficient, ethical, and legal manner at all times.

Acceptable use of technology includes communication in support of research and learning, access and exploration of appropriate information and resources, on assignments or projects. Routine maintenance and monitoring of computer and Internet systems will occur. Use of technology that results in compromising the security of the operating equipment and/or software is prohibited. The District reserves the right to conduct individualized searches of a user's actions on the District network if there is reasonable suspicion that a law or rule has been violated. Students found to have engaged in unacceptable use may be subject to a parent conference; suspension and/or termination of computer-use privileges, e-mail and Internet access; a zero grade on related assignments and/or removal from the course; suspension and/or expulsion from school; referral to law enforcement authorities; legal action to recover damages and penalties; or other appropriate consequences, such as Education Code Section 48900(r), that specifically states that bullying by means of an electronic act is a suspendable violation.

#### STUDENT BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

#### **Behavior and Consequences**

Students are responsible for their own behavior and are expected to follow all campus rules and regulations. These behavior expectations apply any time students are on campus and at all school activities. The Education Code gives the school jurisdiction over student conduct on the way to school, at school activities, at break and lunch whether on or off campus, and on the way home from school. These basic expectations supplement the District's broad discretionary authority to maintain safety, order, and discipline.

The following behaviors are inappropriate, unacceptable, and prohibited and may lead to suspension or, in some cases, expulsion from all District schools:

- 1. Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
- 2. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense.
- 3. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object.
- 4. Possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of, a controlled substance, alcohol, or intoxicant.
- 5. Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind, and either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to a person an imitation.
- 6. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
- 7. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property.
- 8. Stolen or attempted to steal school or private property.

- 9. Possessed or used tobacco, or products containing tobacco or nicotine products.
- 10. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity
- 11. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia.
- 12. Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of school personnel.
- 13. Knowingly received stolen school or private property.
- 14. Possessed an imitation firearm.
- 15. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault or sexual battery.
- 16. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or witness in a discipline proceeding.
- 17. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
- 18. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing.
- 19. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act
- 20. Aided or abetted in the attempted or infliction of physical injury to another person. Expel only when connected to (a).
- 21. Committed sexual harassment.
- 22. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence.
- 23. Intentionally harassed, threatened, or intimidated, creating a hostile educational environment.
- 24. Made terroristic threats against school officials, school property, or both.
- 25. Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished a firearm.
- 26. Brandished a knife at another person.
- 27. Unlawfully sold a controlled substance.
- 28. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault, harassment, or battery.
- 29. Possessed an explosive.
- 30. Used the pool or other school facilities without the supervision of an authorized school employee.
- 31. Threw any object, including water, food, or beverages.
- 32. Participated in "kidnapping" fellow students.
- 33. Dressed up in any type of costume, which is prohibited unless authorized by campus administration.
- 34. Brought rollerblades, scooters, other wheeled vehicles, laser pointers, or radios on campus.
- 35. Possessed or used water balloons, water pistols, or other liquid-propelling devices.
- 36. Climbed on roofs of buildings or on covered walkways.
- 37. Gambled.
- 38. Unlawfully parked.
- 39. Behaved inappropriately on a school bus.
- 40. Used cell phones and/or iPod or other similar devices without authorization.
- 41. Trespassed on other school campuses without permission from administrative staff members.
- 42. Participated in actions which threatened to disrupt the instructional process.
- 43. Willfully defied the authority of school officials (including academic dishonesty).

### Violators of these behavior expectations may be subject to one or more of the following consequences:

- 1. Conference with student and/or parent/guardian.
- 2. Denial of school privileges.
- 3. Campus cleanup.
- 4. Detention.
- 5. Saturday School.
- 6. Removal from class.
- 7. Suspension.
- 8. Transfer to another District school or school district.
- 9. Expulsion.

#### **Academic Honesty Policy**

Fullerton Joint Union High School District students are expected to attend school ready to learn. It is also expected that student behavior will reflect good sense and an ability to discern right from wrong. The well-being of the school community depends on the student accepting responsibility for personal conduct in both social and academic endeavors.

Academic honesty depends on the student taking responsibility for producing work that is reflective of the student's best effort. Academic dishonesty is evidenced by cheating or plagiarizing and involves an attempt by a student to show possession of knowledge and skills he/she does not possess. Academic dishonesty may result in a zero grade for work completed, loss of credit, a failing grade for the course, or other appropriate consequences as determined by a school administrator.

Student, Parent/Guardian, and Teacher Responsibilities: Students are expected to adhere to the principles of this policy in completing all school-related tests, quizzes, reports, homework, assignments, and other academic work both in class and out of class. Parents/guardians are expected to support the spirit and intent of this policy by reviewing the policy with their students and encouraging the students to practice academic honesty. Teachers are expected to promote the academic honesty policy through ongoing reference to and application of the District Moral and Civic Values, to make clear to students the fact that the principles of the policy will be strictly enforced, and to act on and enforce appropriate consequences when a student is found to have violated the academic honesty policy. Students found to have been involved in any act of academic dishonesty may be subject to a failing grade on related assignments, removal from the class with no credit, removal from academic honor organizations, transfer to another school, suspension, expulsion, and other appropriate consequences.

# THE MISSION OF GUIDANCE SERVICES IS TO PROVIDE QUALITY STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES TO ALL STUDENTS

The mission of the comprehensive school counseling program in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District is to provide academic, career, and personal social learning opportunities that value, challenge, and prepare each student for responsible participation in our changing world.

In order to provide this level of counseling, the Fullerton Joint Union High School District has adopted a more personalized model. The school counseling program will maintain a four-year commitment to develop an effective relationship between student and counselor to enhance student's readiness to learn and succeed. A counselor will be assigned to each student while the student is at the school to provide a comprehensive and individualized approach to addressing the student's needs. In addition, counseling staff members will offer every student flexible hours for access, individual counseling, and annual parent meetings to review educational progress and options.

In the area of academic and career counseling, the school counseling program will provide students with the most challenging and relevant student course placements; monitor progress towards graduation and success in classes; offer individual counseling services for all students; facilitate individual counseling meeting appointments to meet students' needs; develop a four-year educational plan; and introduce students to the Career/College Center.

In the area of personal counseling, the school counseling program will provide students as needed with one-to-one and group counseling, referrals to outside agencies, support for the articulation process from middle to high school, collaboration with teachers, support for parent/teacher conferences, referrals for emotional and behavioral challenges, and other interventions as appropriate.

The school counseling program is also committed to identifying at-promise students as quickly as possible and providing them with the appropriate services. At-promise students include those identified for the following reasons:

- English language learners
- Foster Youth
- Qualified McKinney-Vento students (Homeless)
- Students with attendance, academic, discipline, and social-emotional issues
- Low Income

#### GUARANTEED GUIDANCE SERVICES

#### ☐ GRADES NINE AND TEN

- •Develop a four-year academic plan.
- •Introduce students to the Career/College Center.
- •Conduct a career-interest survey via guidance technicians.
- •Conduct the tenth grade AB 1802 review.
- •Inform students of the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT).

#### ☐ GRADE ELEVEN

- •Review four-year plan.
- •Inform students about college admission, PSAT, Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT), American College Testing (ACT), and Advanced Placement (AP)/International Baccalaureate (IB)/tests and programs.
- •Encourage students to attend College Night and Financial Aid Night, and visit with college representatives.

#### ☐ GRADE TWELVE

- •One-to-one senior meeting to discuss progress toward graduation and post-secondary options.
- •Conduct AB 1802 meeting regarding completion of the student's four-year plan.
- •Review scholarship opportunities.

#### DISTRICT DRESS STANDARDS

#### Administrative Regulation 5132: Student Dress and Grooming

#### **Student Dress Standards and Guidelines**

The school district and individual schools are responsible for seeing that the student attire does not interfere with the health and safety of any student, and that student attire does not contribute to a hostile or intimidating atmosphere for any student. Students and parents/guardians shall be informed about dress code at the beginning of the school year and whenever these standards are revised. A student who violates these standards shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

#### The purpose of "Student Dress Standards and Guidelines" includes:

- •Ensure that all students are treated equitably without regard to gender/gender identification, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, body type/size, religion, and personal style.
- •Maintain a safe learning environment in classes where protective or supportive clothing is needed, such as chemistry/biology (eye or body protection), dance (barefeet, tights/leotards), or PE (athletic attire/shoes).
- Permit students to wear attire without fear of discipline or discrimination.
- •Prevent students from wearing clothing with offensive images or language, including profanity, hate speech, and pornography.

#### The Student Dress Standards and Guidelines are as follows:

- 1. Clothing worn by students will be opaque and appropriately cover the student's body.
  - a. Student clothing must cover undergarments, or where undergarments typically would be, at all times.
  - b. Clothing must cover all areas of the midriffs when arms are down. Minimal exposure of the belly button is permitted when raising arms or moving.
  - c. Clothing must not expose cleavage, buttocks, or genitals.
  - d. Clothing must not have holes or gauze/transparent fabric that exposes undergarments or skin that otherwise should not be exposed.

- 2. Clothing worn by students will align with the instructional purpose and meet safety requirements.
  - a. Students may be required to wear additional safety attire when directed by an instructor to align with class standards (e.g., wood shop, science lab, physical education).
  - b. Students may be permitted to wear otherwise prohibited clothing (e.g., midriff bearing) when directed by an instructor to align with an activity (e.g., sports' uniforms, theater costumes).
- 3. Hats and headwear are permitted when they align with the following standards:
  - a. Student's face must always be visible to the staff.
  - b. Hats or head wear may not interfere with the sight of any students or staff.
  - c. During in-classroom instruction, a teacher may direct a student to remove headwear at any time unless the headwear is such that it is a cultural item (e.g. yarmulkes, turbans, hijab). Teachers may also direct a student to a different seat if the hat causes a visual obstruction to other students.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. A student suspected of violating the dress code is to be reported to either the Principal or designee if the violation cannot be dealt with by the staff member observing the violation.
- 2. If a dress code violation is observed, the Principal or designee shall hold a conference with the student. The student shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning the alleged dress code violation. If the Principal or designee determines the dress code was violated, the student shall be asked to take whatever steps are necessary to meet the guidelines. If the correction involves the removal of the clothing which may prove embarrassing to the student, the Principal or designee may allow the student to cover up and wear the clothing until the end of the school day or may direct the student to return home to change the clothing. If the student is directed to return home, the student's parents/guardians will be notified.
- 3. Any student violating the dress code more than once may be subject to additional disciplinary action.
- 4. Parents/guardians of students violating the policy will be notified either in writing or by phone. The parent/guardian will be given an opportunity to meet with the Principal or designee to discuss the violation. If the parent/guardian is not satisfied at the conclusion of the conference, the parent/guardian may make use of the complaint procedure (BP/AR 1312.1, Complaints Concerning School Personnel).

#### STUDENT MEDICAL INSURANCE OFFERED

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District does not carry medical or dental insurance for students injured on school premises, while under school jurisdiction, or during school District activities. For this reason, the District has approved a medical and dental accident insurance plan administered by Myers-Stevens & Co., Inc., Student Accident Insurance Administrators, for presentation to parents or guardians at a very reasonable cost.

The insurance program offered is optional and is authorized by the State Education Code, which permits distribution of necessary information from the company providing the coverage. The student insurance information and application packet are available in the main office at the school.

#### 2025/26 HOME-TO-SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Regular home-to-school transportation is not provided for students in the attendance areas for Fullerton Union, La Habra, Sonora, Sunny Hills, and Troy High Schools.

Students residing 2.5 or more miles from the Buena Park High School campus who demonstrate a true financial hardship can apply and will be considered for an OCTA bus pass on a case-by-case basis. Requests for a school-provided OCTA bus pass can only be processed through the school's front office. Proof of residency outside the 2.5-mile walking zone must be provided at time of application, as well as the referenced financial hardship eligibility criterion.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS REFLECT EXCELLENCE

Course Areas	Graduation Requirements	Total Units
English	4 years	40.0
Social Science	3 years	30.0
Mathematics	3 years (1 year must be earned in Algebra 1 or higher course)	30.0
Science	2 years (including 10 units of a life science and 10 units of a physical science, both lab courses)	20.0
World Languages Visual/Performing Arts/CTE	1-year world language or 1 year visual/performing (advanced courses) or Career Technical Education (CTE)	10.0
Health Education	½ year	2.5
Physical Education	2 years	20.0
Elective Courses/Additional Units		65.0
TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED		217.5

#### HELPFUL COLLEGE INFORMATION AND WEBSITES

Completion of the Academic Studies Diploma meets the admission requirements for most colleges and universities. For specific entrance requirements, contact the college or university of interest. Guidance counselors are available to assist students with a course of study that meets college entrance requirements.

Eligibility index for students entering the UC: <a href="https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/">https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/</a>

Financial Aid information: www.fafsa.ed.gov and www.finaid.org

Educational opportunity program admissions: <a href="https://www2.calstate.edu/">https://www2.calstate.edu/</a>

College entrance test information: www.collegeboard.com

#### AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU) SETTLEMENT GUIDELINES

The Constitution of the State of California requires that we provide a public education to students free of charge. A student's right to a free education is for all school/educational activities, whether curricular or extracurricular, and whether a student gets a grade for the activity or class. Subject to certain exceptions, a student's right to a free public education means that we cannot require students or their families to purchase materials, supplies, equipment, or uniforms for any school activity, nor can we require them to pay security deposits for access, participation, materials, or equipment. School personnel may require students to attend a fundraising event; however, if they are unable to raise funds for the event, they cannot be prevented from participating in an educational activity.

Some fees are permissible under California law. Permissible fees include:

- Charges for optional attendance as a spectator at a school or District-sponsored activity.
- Charges for food served to students, subject to free and reduced-price meal program eligibility and other restrictions specified in law.
- Paying the replacement cost for District books or supplies loaned to a student that the student fails to return or that is willfully cut, defaced, or otherwise injured, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- Fees for field trips and excursions in connection with courses of instruction or school related social, educational, cultural, athletic, or school band activities, as long as no student is prevented from making the field trip or excursion because of lack of sufficient funds.
- Medical or hospital insurance for field trips that is made available by the District.
- Charges for required medical and accident insurance for athletic team members, so long as there is a waiver for financial hardship.
- Charges for standardized physical education attire of a particular color and design, but the school may not mandate that the attire be purchased from the school and no physical education grade of a student may be impacted based on the failure to wear standardized apparel "arising from circumstances beyond the control" of the student.
- Charging for the parking of vehicles on school grounds.
- Charges for the rental or lease of personal property needed for District purposes, such as caps and gowns for graduation ceremonies.
- Reimbursement for the direct cost of materials provided to a student for property the student has fabricated from such materials for his/her own possession and use, such as wood shop, art, or sewing projects kept by the student.

- Reimbursement for the actual cost of duplicating public records, student records, or a prospectus of the school curriculum.
- Fees for transportation of pupils to places of summer employment.
- Fees for an optional fingerprinting program for kindergarten or other newly enrolled students, if the fee does not exceed the actual costs associated with the program.
- Deposits for band instruments, music, uniforms, and other regalia, which school band members take on excursions to foreign countries.
- Charges for eye safety devices, at a price not to exceed the District's actual costs, in specified courses or activities in which students are engaged in, or are observing, an activity or the use of hazardous substances likely to cause injury to the eyes.

The Education Code prohibits school districts from requiring any student, except students in classes for adults, to purchase any instructional materials for the pupil's use in the school. Instructional materials include all materials that are designed for use by students and their teachers as a learning resource and helps students to acquire facts, skills, or opinions or to develop cognitive processes. Instructional materials may be printed or non-printed, and may include textbooks, technology-based materials, other educational materials, and tests. In the context of an instrumental music program, musical instruments would be included as instructional materials, which must be provided without charge.

The Education Code states that a school district has a basic duty to provide supplies, which are necessary to fulfill the school's educational program. This duty would include athletic uniforms, attire for music classes, musical instruments, special binders, film for photography classes, calculators, or other study aid materials. If the equipment or supplies are used by the school in the educational process, then these materials would constitute necessary supplies, which must be provided to students without cost. In addition, a school district may not charge a fee or require students to purchase necessary materials, even if the district maintains a special fund to assist students with financial need or waives such fee or charge for students with financial need.

#### CHILD-FIND EFFORT TO ASSIST STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

California Child-Find is a Statewide effort to ensure that children with disabilities have the opportunity to participate in programs and receive special education services appropriate to their needs.

A child with disabilities is a person, up through twenty-one years of age, with:

Intellectual Disability	Hearing Impairment	Deafness	Speech or Language Impairment
Visual Impairment	Autism	Orthopedic Impairment	Traumatic Brain Injury
Deaf-Blindness	Multiple Disability	Emotional Disturbance	Specific Learning Disability
Other Health Impairment			

Time is valuable. The sooner a child's special needs can be determined, the better that child's chances are to receive an appropriate education and to have a better life. If you know of a child who may have one of these disabling conditions, please take one minute of your time to call your nearest public school.

For more information, please contact the Fullerton Joint Union High School District Special Education Office, 1051 W. Bastanchury Road, Fullerton, California, 92833, (714) 870-2849.

#### ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

This notification is pursuant to the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). The 2025/26 school year may include asbestos management activities at all the District schools and sites. Abatement of asbestos will normally occur after school hours unless impractical or in case of an emergency.

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District (District) contracts with certified abatement contractors for hazardous materials abatement, environmental assessments, consulting services, and oversight for the 2025/2026 school year.

The Asbestos AHERA Plan for the District is located at the District Service Center and each school site has their inventory notebook in the Principal's office. The notebook may be viewed, without cost or restriction, during normal working hours. Copies can be obtained within ten days of written notification to the Superintendent's Office.

The District is committed to continuing to provide a safe and healthy environment for all students and staff members. If you have additional questions about the District's AHERA Plan or would like additional information that is not provided in this notification, please contact Vince Madsen, Director of Facilities & Construction, at (714) 680-5604.

#### DISTRICT-PROVIDED ALTERNATIVES

Recognizing that students' interests, needs, and learning styles vary, an array of learning alternatives is provided for District students

#### **Special Education**

The District provides free, appropriate educational programs to students with disabilities. If you believe that your student is eligible for special education and is not in a special education program or if you know of someone you believe might be eligible, please contact the Director of Special Education, Paul Valerio at (714) 870-2870.

#### La Vista High School – A Continuation High School

La Vista High School is a continuation high school designed for students, ages 16 to 18, who have not made sufficient progress towards graduation at one of the comprehensive high schools. Offering the courses required

for graduation in the District, La Vista High School offers more flexible schedules and individualized instruction than other high schools. Students progress at their own pace and earn credits as work is completed.

#### La Sierra High School – An Alternative High School

La Sierra High School is an alternative high school, which includes six high school programs located throughout the District. The classes and programs provide instruction in alternative classroom settings designed to meet the specific academic needs of individual students. The alternative programs include Independent Study, Opportunity, Teenage Pregnancy and Parenting, Adult Transition, iSierra Online Academy, and Endeavor.

For information concerning La Sierra High School classes or programs, call (714) 447-7820 or 447-5500.

#### **Attendance Permits**

District Board Policies and Administrative Regulations detail procedures whereby students and parents/guardians may request intradistrict and interdistrict attendance permits based upon medical, change of residence, instructional programs, or exceptional reasons. During January, for a limited time, an open enrollment opportunity is available for requesting intra-district permits without specifying reasons. Questions regarding attendance permits should be directed to the Principal of the school of residence.Out-of-district students will be required to enroll in their district of residence to access home hospital instruction.

#### **Career Technical Education**

Career Technical Educational (CTE) opportunities are available to all students without regard to race, color, religious preference, national origin or ancestry, marital status, sex, age, handicap, or economic status. CTE opportunities include, but are not limited to, all courses offered by the District's agriculture, business education, culinary, media production and industrial technology departments, and courses offered by the North Orange County Regional Occupational Program. See a guidance counselor for courses offered at each school site.

#### DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS

#### The California Proficiency Program

Eligible students can earn the legal equivalent of a high school diploma by passing the California Proficiency Program (CPP). The examination assesses proficiency in the basic language arts, and mathematics skills to measure proficiency. If a student passes the examination, the California State Board of Education will award the student a Certificate of Proficiency, which by State law is equivalent to a high school diploma (although not equivalent to completing all coursework required for regular graduation from high school). All persons and institutions controlled by California law that require a high school diploma for any purpose must accept the certificate as satisfying the requirement. Although Federal government agencies are not bound by state laws, the U.S. Civil Service Commission has ruled that the Certificate of Proficiency shall be accepted in applications for Federal civilian employment. Military service policies vary greatly. Check with a recruiter for details.

Passing the CPP does not exempt the student from attending school unless the student is at least 16 years old and has verified parent/guardian permission to stop attending school. Many students who pass the CPP continue

to attend school. State law provides that, if the student leaves school after passing the CPP and is no more than 18 years old, the student may re-enroll in the district in which the student was registered with no adverse consequences. If the student re-enrolls and then leaves school again, the student may be denied readmittance until the beginning of the following semester. Contact the school's guidance counselor or school administrator for further information and details about leaving school after passing the CPP.

Dropping out of school after registering for the CPP or while awaiting results is unlawful for those under 18 years of age. It may also result in failing grades for courses in which the student is enrolled.

#### UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES (UCP) ANNUAL NOTICE

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District (District) annually notifies its students, employees, parents or guardians of its students, the District Advisory Committees, School Advisory Committees, appropriate private school officials, and other interested parties of the Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) process. <a href="Administrative Regulation (AR) 1312.3">Administrative Regulation (AR) 1312.3</a> provides for the handling of complaints alleging unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying or violations of laws or regulations governing specified District programs or activities. The Fullerton Joint Union High School District (District) shall have the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with the applicable State and Federal laws, and regulations including those related to unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against any protected group, and all programs and activities that are subject to the UCP.

Programs and Activities subject to the UCP:

- Adult Education
- Agriculture Career Technical Education
- American Indian Education Centers and Early Childhood Education Program Assessments
- Bilingual Education
- California Peer Assistance and Review Programs for Teachers
- Career Technical and Technical Education; Career Technical; Technical Training (State)
- Career Technical Education (Federal)
- Child Care and Development
- Compensatory Education
- Consolidated Categorical Aid
- Course Periods without Educational Content
- Education of Pupils in Foster Care, Pupils Who Are Homeless, Former Juvenile Court Pupils Now Enrolled in a School District, and Pupils of Military Families
- Every Student Succeeds Act / No Child Left Behind (Titles I-VII)
- Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP)
- Migrant Education
- Physical Education Instructional Minutes
- Pupil Fees
- Reasonable Accommodations to a Lactating Pupil
- Regional Occupational Centers and Programs
- School Safety Plans

Mr. Allen Whitten, Director of Student Support Services, shall be the District's Compliance Officer for complaints dealing with student discipline and Dr. Melissa Freeman shall be the District's Educational

Services Coordinator. Dr. Sylvia Kaufman, Assistant Superintendent of Education and Assessment Services, shall be the District's Compliance Officer for complaints dealing with school attendance, permits, and grading disputes. Mark Miller, Director of Human Resources or designee, shall be the District's Compliance Officer for complaints dealing with staff members. These individuals shall be responsible for receiving and investigating complaints after the Principal has attempted to resolve the issue.

Per AR 1312.1, a complaint of unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, must be filed no later than six months from the date the alleged discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, occurred or not later than six months from the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying. The District's investigation shall be completed and a written decision prepared within 90 days from receipt of the complaint.

The District's decision shall contain the findings and disposition of the complaint, including any corrective actions, the rationale for such disposition, notice of the complainant's right to appeal the District's decision to the State Department of Education within 15 days of receiving the District's decision, and the procedures to be followed for initiating an appeal to the State Department of Education. Copies of the local education agency complaint procedures shall be available free of charge.

#### NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

#### **Non-UCP Complaints**

The following complaints shall not be subject to the district's UCP but shall be referred to the specified agency: (5 CCR 4611)

- 1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services Protective Services Division and the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- 2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to the Department of Social Services and shall, for licensing-exempt facilities, be referred to the appropriate Child Development regional administrator.
- 3. Any complaint alleging fraud shall be referred to the Legal, Audits and Compliance Branch of the California Department of Education.

Any complaint alleging employment discrimination or harassment shall be investigated and resolved by the District's Human Resources Department in accordance with state and federal laws, including the right to file the complaint with the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing.

Any complaint related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health or safety of students or staff, teacher vacancies and mis-assignments, or health and safety violations in any license-exempt California State Preschool Program shall be investigated and resolved in accordance with the procedures in AR 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 8235.5, 35186)

Please visit the following website for information on filing a complaint for:

Child Nutrition Services: National School Lunch Program; <a href="www.fns.usda.gov/nslp">www.fns.usda.gov/nslp</a>

Special Education: California Department of Education; <u>www.cde.ca.gov</u>

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer

### **Pupil Fees**

A pupil fee includes, but it not limited to, all of the following:

- A fee charged to a pupil as a condition for registering for school or classes, or as a condition for participation in a class or an extracurricular activity, regardless of whether the class or activity is elective or compulsory, or is for credit.
- A security deposit, or other payment, that a pupil is required to make to obtain a lock, locker, book, class apparatus, musical instrument, clothes, or other materials or equipment.
- A purchase that a pupil is required to make to obtain materials, supplies, equipment, or clothes associated with an educational activity.
- A pupil fees complaint may be filed with the principal of a school or the Superintendent or his designee. A pupil fee and/or an LCAP complaint may be filed anonymously; however, the complaint must provide evidence or information leading to evidence to support the complaint.
- A pupil enrolled in a school in the District shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity.
- A pupil fee complaint shall be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred.

#### PARENTS NEEDED FOR VARIOUS ADVISORY GROUPS

Interested parents/guardians are needed to serve on advisory groups which assist in planning, operating, and evaluating programs which provide supplementary funds and services in the District. Volunteers are needed for advisory groups for Title I, English Language Development, DELAC (District English Language Advisory Committee), DAC (District Advisory Committee), Vocational Education, Budget Study, and other specially-funded programs. For more information, contact the Principal at your school.

# DISTRICT POLICY ON DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, AND BULLYING

Every student is entitled to a safe school environment free from discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying. The District's policies on discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying can be accessed on the District's website. Copies are available on the District web site at www.fjuhsd.org. The policies include:

BP/AR 0415, Nondiscrimination on Basis of Sex, Race, Color, Religious Ancestry, National Origin or Ancestry, Ethnic Group Identification, Marital or Parental Status, Gender, Age, Physical or Mental Disability, Gender Identity, Sexual Orientation or the Perception of One Or More Such Characteristics, or Economic Status – Inquiries (Educational Programs or Activities);

BP/AR 1312.3, Uniform Complaint Procedure-Complaints Concerning School Personnel and Complaints Alleging Unlawful Discrimination or Violation of Laws or Regulations Governing Specified District Programs or Activities;

BP/AR 5500, Conduct; BP/AR 5642, Anti Bullying; BP/AR 5645, Sexual Harassment.

The District prohibits bullying. This includes, but is not limited to, discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on the actual or perceived characteristics set forth in Penal Code Section 422.55 and Education Code Section 220, and disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Bullying is defined in Education Code Section 48900(r).

- 1. School personnel must immediately intervene if they witness an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying, provided it is safe to do so.
- 2. Acts of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying should be brought to the attention of the Principal.
- 3. You may make an anonymous complaint by contacting the Principal or the District's Nondiscrimination/Anti-Bullying Coordinator or call anonymously 1-714-375-7990. If there is sufficient corroborating information, the District will commence an investigation. Students and parents also may contact the District's Nondiscrimination/Anti-Bullying Coordinator: Director of Student Support Services Mr. Allen Whitten at (714) 870-2871 or awhitten@fjuhsd.org.
- 4. Complaints will be considered confidential. However, it may be necessary to disclose certain information in order to effectively investigate.
- 5. Students who violate the District's policies on discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying may be subject to discipline, including suspension and expulsion.
- 6. The District prohibits retaliation against individuals who make complaints or provide information related to such complaints.

#### HEALTHY SCHOOLS ACT

Per the annual written notification requirement of the Healthy Schools Act of 2000, listed below are proposed materials that may be applied on District sites for parents or guardians of students expected pesticide use. This notification identifies the active ingredient or ingredients in each pesticide product. The Internet address for further information on pesticides and their alternatives is <a href="http://www.cdpr.ca.gov">http://www.cdpr.ca.gov</a>

### Fullerton Joint Unified School District Pesticide Possible Use List for 2025-2026 School Year

<u>Product</u>	Active Ingredient	<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Usage</u>
Advion Ant Gel	Indoxacarb	Sygenta	Ants
Advion Insect Granule	Indoxacarb	Sygenta	Insects
Advion Roach Gel	Indoxcarb	Sygenta	Roaches
Alpine WSG	Dinotefuran	BASF	Insects
Clash	Diglycolamine salt	NuFarm	Weeds
Derigo	Foramsulferon	Bayer	Dallis grass
Essentria ICPro	Gerinol	Zoecon	Insects
Evergreen Pyrethrum	MGK	Pyrethrum	Insects
Flatline	Chlorophacinone	Liphatec	Rodents
Maxforce FC Magnum Roach	Fipronil	Bayer	Insects
Master line	Bifenthrin	FMC	Insects
Meridian	Thiomethoxam	Syngenta	Grubs
Nyguard IGR	Pyriproxyfen	MGK	IGR

TREATED AREAS; REASON FOR TREATMENT :									
1	Administration Building	5	Cafeteria	9	Landscape (indoor)	12	Locker Room	16	Restroom
2	Athletic Fields	6	Classroom	10	Landscape (outdoor)	13	Multipurpose Room	17	Vehicle
3	Auditorium	7	Gymnasium	11	Library	14	Playground	18	Multiple Locations
4	Building Exterior	8	Hardscape (parking, si	dew	alk, etc.)	15	Pool	19	Other

Scheduled applications will only take place on Sundays. Parents or guardians may request prior notification of individual pesticide applications at the school site. People who request in writing prior notification will be notified at least 72 hours before pesticides are applied. If you would like to be notified in writing when a pesticide is to be applied, please write to the District Service Center, 1027 S. Leslie St., La Habra, CA 90631. To read more on Pesticide Use please refer to Attachment #12.

# DISTRICT OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT PEST CONTROL MANAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURE

It is the policy of the District Operations Department to follow the California Department of Pesticide Regulations and the Healthy Schools Act of 2000 (Assembly Bill 2260) in the safe and effective use of pesticides, utilizing only those materials which are non-permit or site-specific for the eradication of target pests encountered. If it is determined that the infestation cannot be eradicated within the State determined guidelines by the District Operations Department, then a state licensed pest control contractor will be contacted. Implementation:

- 1. Upon notification of a specific pest problem, through service request or a telephone call, a Maintenance and Operations (M&O) division staff member is dispatched to assess the situation.
- 2. Should the problem be routine in nature, the M&O division will assist the campus with the proper methods and materials available within the District for the safe eradication of the stated pest problem.
- 3. If the infestation is considered to be an emergency or beyond the scope of the stated District controls, the M&O division will contact the appropriate state licensed contractor to immediately assess the problem.
- 4. After assessment, the contractor will advise the District of the most prudent procedures to be implemented. If an emergency is determined, steps will be taken immediately to eradicate the problem. If the problem is not urgent in nature, the problem will be resolved during routine maintenance.

#### **HERBICIDE**

A Weed Control Service Agreement has been established with Pest Options, Inc., telephone (714) 224-7378. Routine monthly service is provided under this agreement to maintain weed control throughout the District. Call back arrangements can be scheduled by contacting the Operations Department, telephone (714) 680-5659.

#### **INSECTICIDE**

An Insect Control Service Agreement has been established with Pest Options, Inc., telephone (714) 224-7378. An annual clean-out service is scheduled throughout the District and monthly service is provided year round. On-call service can be arranged by contacting the Operations Department, telephone (714) 680-5659.

#### **RODENTICIDE**

A Rodent Control Field Service Agreement has been established with Pest Options, Inc., telephone (714) 224-7378. Routine monthly service is provided under this agreement to maintain rodent control throughout the District. On-call service can be arranged by contacting the Operations Department, telephone (714) 680-5659.

#### **AVICIDE**

A Pigeon Control Field Service Agreement has been established with Pest Options, Inc., telephone (714) 224-7378. On-call service can be arranged by contacting the Operations Department, telephone (714) 680-5659.

#### **FUMIGATION**

Termite control throughout the District is scheduled as needed. In the case of a minor infestation, the District Operations Department will assist with an appropriate treatment and follow-up as needed. Major infestations will be corrected and are requested by contacting the District Operations Department, telephone (714) 680-5659.

#### SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

School-based mental health services are short-term and focus on addressing concerns that impact the educational progress of a child. Individual and/ or group counseling services may be available by a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT), Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC), or a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) to address school-based mental health concerns. Masters level professionals and student interns, under the supervision of licensed personnel, may also provide services for the students. Group counseling can include a student pre and post counseling survey for the purposes of program evaluation. Individual student data is not collected. Information discussed in counseling sessions will remain confidential except those issues mandated by law to report. For example, incidents of child or elder abuse, neglect, communication of threat of physical injury to specific people or property, or indication of suicidal thoughts or plans will be reported.

School-Based mental health may be provided by district mental health specialists or agency partners listed on the FJUHSD website under the Mental Health tab. Based on identified concerns, level of support needed, and capacity, students may be linked to an appropriate agency. Please contact the Director of Student Support Services, Allen Whitten at 714-870-2871 with questions.

#### Annual Parent Notification: Physical Education (PE) and Activity Exemption

#### Dear Parent/Guardian:

All high school students, unless they receive an exemption in accordance with the law, are required to attend physical education courses for at least 400 minutes each 10 school days (Education Code 51222) and are required to complete two years of physical education courses in order to graduate from high school (Education Code 51225.3). There are currently three types of exemptions: Temporary, Two-year, and Permanent, which the district may grant under the circumstances specified in Education Code 51241. The FJUHSD encourages the *Permanent Exemption* for all students who have met the criteria.

#### **Physical Education and Activity Exemptions:**

#### **Temporary:**

"The governing board of a school district or the office of the county superintendent of schools of a county may grant a temporary exemption to a pupil from courses in physical education if the pupil is one of the following: (1) Ill or injured and a modified program to meet the needs of the pupil cannot be provided. (2) Enrolled for one-half, or less, of the work normally required of full-time pupils." (EC Section 51241[a][1][2])

#### Two-year:

"The governing board of a school district or the office of the county superintendent of schools of a county, with the consent of a pupil, may grant a pupil an exemption from courses in physical education for two years anytime during grades 10 to 12, inclusive if the pupil has met satisfactorily at least five of the six standards of the physical performance test administered in grade nine pursuant to Section 60800." (EC Section 51241[b][1])

#### **Permanent:**

"The governing board of a school district or the office of the county superintendent of a county may grant permanent exemption from courses in physical education if the pupil complies with any one of the following: (1) Is 16 years of age or older and has been enrolled in grade 10 for one academic year or longer. (2) Is enrolled as a postgraduate pupil. (3) Is enrolled in a juvenile home, ranch, camp, or forestry camp school where pupils are scheduled for recreation and exercise pursuant to the requirements of Section 4346 of Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations." (EC Section 51241 [c][1][2][3]).

11th and 12th-grade guardians: By clicking that you have read and understand everything in the Annual Notice, you are requesting a Permanent Exemption from PE, as described above, for your junior or senior so as long as your student:

- Is sixteen years of age or older
- has completed the 10th grade
- has earned 20 units (2 years) of PE and have met the PE graduation requirement

All students are welcome to take PE all four years if they choose. If, however, a student is interested in exploring other options and has met their two-year PE graduation requirement, this exemption will allow them to do so. If you do not wish to request an exemption or have questions about the exemption, please email the Director of Student Services, Allen Whitten, at awhitten@fjuhsd.org or call 714-870-2871.

# FULLERTON JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

FULLERTON JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 1051 West Bastanchury Road, Fullerton, California 92833-2247

92833-2247 (714) 870-2840 FAX (714) 870-2979 www.fjuhsd.org **Education and Assessment Services** 

Dear Parent and/or Guardian:

Fullerton Joint Union High School District has partnered with the California College Guidance Initiative (CCGI), <u>Californiacolleges.edu</u> to pilot the program which will help your child develop a well-informed college and career plan. CCGI is a nonprofit that works with school districts throughout California to achieve two major goals:

- 1) to ensure that all high school seniors in California graduate with clear postsecondary goals and a plan for how to achieve them, and
- 2) that each student's academic transcript data follows them as they advance across educational systems to reduce information gaps that could otherwise hinder their success.

As part of this effort, CCGI manages the state of California's college and career planning platform, CaliforniaColleges.edu. This web-based platform offers students, families, and educators a single access point for college and career preparation, applications, planning tools, and information to help plan for life after high school.

The District's partnership with CCGI allows course and testing information to transfer from your child's account to these applications, making the entire process faster and easier. It also allows your child's course information to be shared directly with community colleges and CSUs, helping those colleges make faster and better decisions about admission, placement, and financial aid. Students can also launch the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) from their account, simplifying the process of determining Cal-Grant and other financial aid eligibility.

Should you wish to opt-out from the District's disclosure of your child's course and testing data, please contact the Assistant Principal of Instructional Operations at your school site or download the Opt-Out Form Here and return the form with your signature to your school site's Guidance and Career Center by Monday, August 11, 2025.

Thank you,

Joshua Porter Director of Educational Services (714) 870-2872

#### FULLERTON JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Parent/Guardian Notification Letter for Health Instruction

#### Dear Parent/Guardian:

You are receiving this letter because your child may be enrolled in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District summer school Health class that is taught in an online environment using the APEX curriculum. Health education at the high school level includes sex education.

California state law, the California Healthy Youth Act\* (CHYA), requires that comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education be provided to students at least once in middle school or junior high school and once in high school, starting in grade 7. Per the CHYA, instruction must encourage students to communicate with parents, guardians or other trusted adults about human sexuality. Instruction must be medically accurate, age-appropriate, and inclusive of all students. It must include the following:

- Information about HIV and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), including transmission, FDA-approved methods to prevent HIV and STIs, and treatment
- Information that abstinence is the only certain way to prevent unintended pregnancy and HIV and other STIs, and information about value of delaying sexual activity
- Discussion about social views of HIV and AIDS
- Information about accessing resources for sexual and reproductive health care
- Information about pregnancy, including FDA-approved prevention methods, pregnancy outcomes, prenatal care, and the newborn safe surrender law
- Information about sexual orientation and gender identity
- Information about healthy relationships and avoiding unhealthy behaviors and situations

Parents/guardians may examine the APEX instructional materials on our Parent Review Portal page by selecting the link below. There is a two-minute video explaining how to navigate the APEX curriculum.

#### https://www.fjuhsd.org/Page/3201

Parents have the right to opt out of this instruction, but not the entire health course. If you have questions, please see the summer school principal at your specific school. If you do not want your student to participate in comprehensive sexual health or HIV prevention education, please complete the Opt-out form on the Parent Review Portal page. An alternate lesson will be assigned.

Sincerely,

Joshua Porter Director of Educational Services (714) 870-2872

#### **Notification Letter for Contraband Detection Dogs 2025/26**

Dear Parents, Students, and Staff Members of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District,

This letter is sent to all parents, students, and staff members to notify everyone that the District has made the decision to utilize the services of "Contraband Detection Dogs or Drug-sniffing Dogs" at the campuses of all schools within the District, beginning February 1, 2019. The Board of Trustees is fully committed to promoting a safe learning environment and, to the extent possible, eliminating the possession and use of weapons, illegal drugs, and other controlled substances by students on school premises and at school activities.

California Education Code 49050, District Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulation (AR) 5145.12 provide for the authorization of searches to protect the health and welfare of students and staff; such that, school officials may search students, their property (backpacks), and/or District property under their control and may seize illegal, unsafe, or otherwise prohibited items.

In an effort to keep the schools free of dangerous contraband, the District will begin to use specially trained, non-aggressive dogs to sniff out and alert staff members to the presence of substances prohibited by law or BP/AR. A school administrator will accompany the handler and dog during all searches. Students will be instructed to leave their backpacks and personal belongings in the classroom and the classroom teacher will escort students outside of the classroom. The administrator, handler, and dog will enter the empty classroom to conduct the search. The dogs may sniff the air around lockers, desks, and backpacks, or vehicles on District property or at District-sponsored events. Dogs will not sniff within close proximity of students or other persons. The District and site administration has sought out this service as a deterrent to the unfortunate increase in vapes and marijuana products on school campuses.

The Principal or designee will conduct a general inspection of school properties that are within the control of students, such as lockers, desks, and backpacks, on a regular, unannounced basis, with students standing outside the classroom. Any items contained in a locker, desk, or backpack shall be considered to be the property of the student to whom the locker or desk was assigned. Student cars may also be inspected by the contraband detection dogs. The dogs can sniff marijuana, hashish, cocaine, crack, heroin, commonly abused medications (Xanax), alcoholic beverages, and any gunpowder items or firearms.

Whether trace amounts of contraband or significant amounts of contraband items are detected, appropriate consequences will be determined by site administration in accordance within District disciplinary policies.

Parents are welcome to contact the site principals should there be questions about how the contraband detection dogs will be utilized on their child's campus.

Sincerely,

Allen Whitten
Director of Student Support Services
(714) 870-2871













#### Dear Parent/Guardian/Student,

The 2025-26 school year will be the fourth year of California's Universal Meal Act program, which continues the free meal to every student at no cost regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. The District will continue to deliver free meals to all students through its participation in USDA's National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), and the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) for after-school supper.

For the 2025-26 school year, families will not be required to complete a traditional Free and Reduced Price Meal (FRPM) application, but instead be requested to complete the income survey form, which is part of the Data Confirmation process in Aeries. For income eligible families, please visit food services website to see if your family qualifies for additional perks and benefits from Food Services More Than a Meal marketing campaign.

Our Food Services team is here to support. Please visit <a href="https://fjuhsdfoodservices.org/">https://fjuhsdfoodservices.org/</a> or contact us for questions or assistance at (714) 870-2820 or email us at foodservices@fjuhsd.org.

Sincerely,

Edgar Manalo | Business Services Director Procurement & Contracts, Warehouse, and Food Services

#### What Should Parents/Guardians Do in an Emergency?

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District has plans and preparations for emergency situations. To ensure the greatest safety possible, all schools have specific plans to respond to emergencies. These plans are updated annually.

#### Before an Emergency:

- Reinforce to your child(ren) that your school has emergency plans for student safety. School buildings were built to meet stringent safety codes. There are school personnel trained in first aid.
- Remind your child(ren) not to panic and to follow directions from school officials and first responders.
- Make certain that your emergency contact information is up to date. Your school will not release students to anyone not on a student's emergency card.

#### **During an Emergency:**

- Do not panic. The school will immediately implement their emergency plan.
- Do not go to the school site unless asked to do so. This jeopardizes your safety, the safety of first responders, and students. Streets will need to be open for emergency vehicles and first responder access.
- School messages via phone and email will be sent to parents as soon as possible with information and/or directions. Updated contact information is crucial for timely notification.
- Any phone calls to the office or parents coming to the campus can impair the school's ability to respond to the immediate needs of students.
- Once asked to come to the school site please follow directions from staff for student reunification.

#### **Parent Notification Methods:**

#### **Parent Square**

• We will notify parents via text, phone calls, and email alerts. A voice message call will be sent out in the event of an emergency. Please make sure your student's records are up to date to ensure timely notification

#### School/District Website

• The District will use school or the district website to communicate information to families, staff, and community in the event of an emergency if able to. Our district website is: http://www.fjuhsd.org

#### Law Enforcement

• The District works closely with the Buena Park, Fullerton, and La Habra Police Departments to ensure that information is communicated in an accurate and timely manner.

# ANNUAL NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

# 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR



#### KEY TO LEGAL REFERENCES

# <u>Abbreviation</u> <u>Complete Title</u>

B&PC	Business and Professions Code
CCR	California Code of Regulations
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
EC	Education Code
ESSA	Every Student Succeeds Act
FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
H&SC	Health & Safety Code
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
LC	Labor Code
PC	Penal Code
§ 504	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
USC	United States Code
W&IC	Welfare and Institutions Code

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#### PUPIL DISCIPLINE

<u>RULES PERTAINING TO PUPIL DISCIPLINE</u> (EC §§35291, 48980): The District Governing Board has prescribed rules for the government and discipline of the schools under the Board's jurisdiction. Rules pertaining to pupil discipline are available at <a href="http://www.fjuhsd.org/">http://www.fjuhsd.org/</a>. (BP 5700/AR 5700-1 Student Discipline)

<u>DUTY CONCERNING CONDUCT OF PUPILS</u> (EC §44807): Every District teacher has a responsibility to hold pupils to a strict account for their conduct on the way to and from school, on the playgrounds, or during recess.

<u>DUTIES OF PUPILS</u> (EC §48908, 5 CCR §300): Every pupil must attend punctually and regularly, conform to the regulations of the school, obey promptly all the directions of his/her teacher and others in authority, observe good order and propriety of deportment, be diligent in study, be respectful to his/her teacher and others in authority, be kind and courteous to schoolmates, and refrain entirely from the use of profane and vulgar language.

<u>SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS</u> (EC §§48980, 48986, 49392): Please refer to Attachment #1 for information regarding child firearm access prevention laws and laws relating to the safe storage of firearms.

<u>DRESS CODE</u> (EC §§35183, 35183.5, 51101): The District Governing Board has approved a dress code policy adopted by your child's school. A copy of the dress code is available at the Principal's office and provided in the accompanying District Summer Update document.

ATTENDANCE OF SUSPENDED CHILD'S PARENT/GUARDIAN (EC §48900.1, LC §230.7): The District Governing Board has adopted a policy authorizing teachers to require the parent/guardian of a pupil who has been suspended by a teacher, to attend a portion of a school day in the child's classroom. No employer may dismiss or in any manner discriminate against an employee for taking time off from work to comply with this requirement.

<u>CIVILITY POLICY</u> (EC §44050): A written copy of the District's civility policy BP/AR 1314 on employee interactions with pupils in its code of conduct is available on the District website.

#### **PUPIL RECORDS**

<u>PUPIL RECORDS/NOTICE OF PRIVACY RIGHTS OF PARENTS AND STUDENTS</u> (EC § 49063 et seq., § 49069.7, § 49073, 34 CFR 99.30, 34 CFR 99.34, and the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act):

- <u>Types of Pupil Records</u>: A pupil record is any item of information directly related to an identifiable pupil, other than directory information, which is maintained by the District or required to be maintained by a District employee in the performance of their duties, whether recorded by handwriting, print, tapes, film, microfilm or other means. Pupil records include a pupil's health record.
- <u>Responsible Officials</u>. Your child's Principal is responsible for the maintenance of pupil records located at your child's school. For pupil records maintained at the District office, the responsible official is the Assistant Superintendent of Education and Assessment Services.

- <u>Location of Log/Record</u>: The law requires that a log or record be maintained for each pupil's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record and the legitimate interests therefore. For records maintained at your child's school, the log is in your child's file located in the Principal's office. For records maintained at the District office, the log is located in Education and Assessment Services.
- School Officials and Employees/Legitimate Educational Interests: School officials and employees who are authorized to review pupil records are school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, certificated employee, or support staff member (including, but not limited to, paraeducator, health or medical staff, and school law enforcement personnel); a person serving on the school board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, educational consultant or therapist); a vendor, contractor, or other party to whom the District has outsourced institutional services or functions; an agency caseworker of a state or local child welfare agency that has legal responsibility for the care and protection of a pupil, other public agencies providing services to pupils, as well as employees of other public schools or school systems where educational programs leading to high school graduation are provided or where a District pupil intends to or is directed to enroll; a minor's counsel Access to pupil records is permitted only for records that are relevant to the legitimate educational interests of the requester. Upon request, the District discloses educational records without consent to officials of another school district in which the pupil seeks or intends to enroll. Individuals or entities who have legitimate educational interests include those described in California Education Code section 49076.
- <u>Right of Access and Review/Expungement</u>: You have an absolute right to access to any and all pupil records related to your child, which are maintained by the District. A homeless child or youth or an unaccompanied youth who is 14 years of age or older may access his/her pupil records. If you wish to review records located at your child's school, please contact the Principal's office, or submit a written request that identifies the record(s) you wish to inspect. If you wish to review records located at the District office, please contact the Assistant Superintendent of Education and Assessment Services. The Principal or District office has five (5) business days from the day of the receipt of a request to provide access to the records. Upon satisfactory completion of the rehabilitation assignment of a pupil whose expulsion has been suspended by the District Governing Board, the Board may order the expungement of any or all records of the expulsion proceedings. If the Orange County Board of Education enters an order reversing the decision of the District Governing Board to expel a pupil, the County Board may direct the District Governing Board to expunge the record of the pupil and records of the District of any references to the expulsion action. When you submit a written revocation of consent after the initial provision of special education and related services for your child, the District is not required to amend the education records of your child to remove any reference to your child's receipt of special education and services.
- <u>Challenging the Content of Records (EC § 49070)</u>: You have the right to challenge the content of any pupil record by filing a written request with the District Superintendent to correct or remove any information recorded in the written records concerning your child which you allege to be any of the following: (1) inaccurate, (2) an unsubstantiated personal conclusion or inference, (3) a conclusion or inference outside the observer's area of competence, (4) not based on the personal observation of a named person with the time and place of the observation noted, (5) misleading, or (6) in violation of the privacy or other rights of the pupil.

- <u>Copying Costs</u>: You may receive copies of your child's pupil records, at a cost of 10¢ per page.
- <u>Transfer of Records</u>: The District is required to transfer a copy of your child's permanent pupil records within 10 school days to the school your child intends to enroll.
- <u>Complaints</u>: You have the right to file a complaint with the United States Department of Education, concerning an alleged failure by the District to comply with the provisions of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 USC §1232g).
- <u>Prospectus of School Curriculum</u>: The curriculum for your child's school is compiled at least once annually in a prospectus which is available at the Principal's office.
- <u>Statement or Response to Disciplinary Actions</u>: Whenever information is included in a pupil record concerning any disciplinary action taken in connection with your child, you have the right to include a written statement or response concerning the disciplinary action in your child's pupil record.
- <u>Destruction of Pupil Records</u>: The Governing Board of the District is required to retain indefinitely the original or an exact copy of mandatory permanent pupil records (Class 1 Permanent Records) which schools have been directed to compile by California regulations; maintain for stipulated periods of time mandatory interim pupil records (Class 2 Optional Records) until the information is no longer needed to provide educational services to a child and are retained until reclassified as Class 3 Disposable Records, and then destroyed as per California regulations (5 CCR 432). Prior to destroying pupil records of a child who has received special education services, the IDEA requires parental notification when the District decides that personally identifiable information is no longer needed to provide educational services to a child. Once parents/guardians have been notified that personally identifiable information is no longer needed, they have the option of requesting access to and/or copies of pupil records prior to destruction, and to request that pupil records be destroyed, unless the District determines that the information could be needed to provide educational services in the future or is needed for auditing purposes (34 CFR 300.624, 5 CCR 16026). Unless classified as permanent records, all other pupil records are destroyed five years after the information is no longer needed to provide educational services (5 CCR 16027).

<u>SOCIAL MEDIA INFORMATION</u> (EC §49073.6): The District Governing Board has approved a program to gather only information that pertains to the school or pupil safety. A copy of BP/AR 1114, Social Media is located on the <u>District's website</u>.

RELEASE OF DIRECTORY INFORMATION (EC §49073): "Directory Information" means one or more of the following items: pupil's name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, date of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees, and awards received, and the most recent previous public or private school attended by the pupil; not pictures. Directory information may also be disclosed to outside organizations without your prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks; a playbill, showing your pupil's role in a drama production; Honor roll or other recognition lists; graduation programs and sports activity sheets. However, no information may be released to a private profit-making entity other than employers, prospective employers, and representatives of the news media, including, but not limited to, newspapers, magazines, and radio and television stations. The names and addresses of pupils enrolled in grade 12 or who have terminated enrollment prior to graduation may be provided to a private school or college. No directory information regarding your child may be released if you notify the District that the information shall not be released. Please submit a written notice to the Principal of your child's school by August 11, 2025, if you wish to deny access to directory information concerning your

**child.** Release of directory information of a homeless child or youth is prohibited unless a parent or eligible pupil has given written consent that such information may be released.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGE GUIDANCE INITIATIVE (EC §§ 10861, 51225.7(f)(3), 51229(a)((6), 60900.5 & 69432.9(c)(2)(A)): The California College Guidance Initiative (CCGI) manages <a href="https://www.CaliforniaColleges.edu">www.CaliforniaColleges.edu</a>, which is the State of California's official college and career planning platform and is free to all California students in grades six through twelve and their families. The CCGI currently receives enrollment data for all public school students enrolled in grades six through twelve from the California Department of Education (CDE). The data shared will be used to provide pupils and families with direct access to online tools and resources and will enable a pupil to transmit information shared with the CCGI to both of the following: (1) postsecondary educational institutions for purposes of admissions and academic placement; and (2) the Student Aid Commission for purposes of determining eligibility for, and increasing access to, student financial aid. The District has entered into a service agreement directly with CCGI which includes the ability to share student data in regards to course and testing data. However, parents have the right to opt out of this agreement by completing the CCGI Opt Out Form with their students' counselor at any time. Should you wish to opt out, please contact the Assistant Principal of Instruction and Operations.

<u>FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT</u> ("" 20 USC §1232g): Federal law set forth in grants parents certain rights with respect to their student's records. Please refer to Attachment #2 for the Model Notice.

<u>RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO MILITARY RECRUITERS</u> (20 USC §7908): Federal law requires school districts to provide, on a request made by military recruiters or an institution of higher education, access to secondary school students' names, addresses and telephone listings. However, you have the right to request that your child's name, address, and telephone listing shall not be released without your prior written consent. **Please submit a written notice to your child's school Principal by August 11, 2025 if you wish to deny access to this information.** 

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

<u>REFUSAL TO CONSENT TO PHYSICAL EXAMINATION</u> (EC §§49451, 48980): You may file an annual written statement with the Principal of your child's school, stating that you will not consent to a physical examination of your child. However, whenever there is good reason to believe that the child is suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious disease, the child shall be sent home and shall not be permitted to return until school authorities are satisfied that any contagious or infectious disease does not exist.

<u>PUPIL SUICIDE PREVENTION AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINES</u> (EC §§215.5, 48980): The telephone number to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1-800-273-8255) and telephone number for the National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 is printed on either side of student identification cards. 988 has been designated as the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. While some areas may be currently able to connect to the Lifeline by dialing 988, this dialing code will be available to everyone across the United States starting on July 16, 2022.

<u>PUPIL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES</u> (EC §§49428, 48980): Information on how to initiate access to available mental health services on campus or in the community, or both, is available on the school's website and the student handbook.

<u>CONTINUED MEDICATION REGIMEN FOR NONEPISODIC CONDITION</u> (EC §49480): If your child is on a continuing medication regimen for a nonepisodic condition, you are required to inform the school nurse or

other designated certificated school employee of: (1) the medication being taken, (2) the current dosage, and (3) the name of the supervising physician. With your consent, the school nurse may communicate with your child's physician and may counsel with school personnel regarding the possible effects of the drug on your child's physical, intellectual, and social behavior, as well as possible behavioral signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omission, or overdose. If your child is on a continuing medication regimen, please complete the form provided by the school nurse.

ADMINISTRATION OF IMMUNIZING AGENTS (EC §§49403, 48980): The District Governing Board is required to cooperate with the local health officer in measures necessary for the prevention and control of communicable diseases in school-age children, and may permit any person licensed as a physician and surgeon, any person licensed as a registered nurse, or a licensed healthcare practitioner, as specified, who is acting under the direction of a supervising physician and surgeon, to administer an immunizing agent to a pupil whose parent has consented, in writing, to the administration of the immunizing agent.

ADMINISTRATION OF PRESCRIBED MEDICATION (EC §§49423, 49423.1, 48980): If your child is required to take prescription medication during the regular school day, you may request assistance for your child by the school nurse or other designated school personnel. If you wish such assistance, you must provide both a written statement from the physician and surgeon or physician assistant detailing the name of the medication, method, amount, and time schedules by which the medication is to be taken, and your own written statement indicating your desire that the District assist your child in the matters set forth in the physician's statement. Your child may also carry and self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine or asthma medication if the District receives written statements from you and the child's physician, in the form required by law.

PLEDGE NOT TO USE ANABOLIC STEROIDS OR PROHIBITED DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS (EC §49030 et seq.): A pupil is prohibited from participating in interscholastic high school sports, unless the pupil signs a pledge not to use anabolic steroids without a prescription from a licensed healthcare practitioner, or a dietary supplement listed in the United States Guide to Prohibited Substances and Prohibited Methods of Doping. As a condition of participation, both the pupil-athlete and his/her parent/guardian must sign a notification form regarding these restrictions.

<u>TOBACCO-FREE CAMPUS POLICY</u> (H&SC §104420): The District Governing Board has adopted and enforces a tobacco-free campus policy. The policy prohibits the use of tobacco products including electronic delivery systems or other devices that deliver a vaporized liquid, at any time, in District-owned or leased buildings, on District property and in District vehicles.

MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL SERVICES NOT PROVIDED (EC §§49471, 48980): The District Governing Board does not provide or make available medical and hospital services for District pupils who are injured while participating in athletic activities. All student athletes are required to have their own medical insurance or utilize the District offered reduced cost medical insurance for injuries occurring at or during a school sponsored event.

CONCUSSIONS AND HEAD INJURIES (EC §49475): Requires districts who elect to offer athletic programs to immediately remove for the remainder of the day an athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury during the activity and prohibits the return of the athlete to that activity until he/she is evaluated by and receives written clearance from, completes a graduated return-to-play protocol or not less than seven days in duration under the supervision of a licensed health care provider, and requires district to provide annually a concussion and head injury information sheet to be signed and returned by the athlete and his/her parent before the athlete initiates practice or competition.

#### INSURANCE NOTICE FOR OPERATION OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC TEAM(S) (EC § 32221.5).

School districts that operate an interscholastic athletic team(s) are required to include the following statement, printed in boldface type of prominent size, in offers of insurance coverage that are sent to members of school athletic teams: "Under state law, school districts are required to ensure that all members of school athletic teams have accidental injury insurance that covers medical and hospital expenses. This insurance requirement can be met by the school district offering insurance or other health benefits that cover medical and hospital expenses. Some pupils may qualify to enroll in no-cost or low-cost local, state, or federally sponsored health insurance programs. Information about these programs may be obtained by calling 1-800-880-5305. The statement must also be incorporated into any other letters or printed materials, in boldface type of prominent size, that contain the name or logo, or both, of the school district and are sent to members of school athletic teams to inform them of insurance protection.

<u>OPIOID FACTSHEET</u> (EC 49476): Requires districts who elect to offer athletic programs to annually provide the Opioid Factsheet for Patients to each athlete, to be signed and returned by the athlete and his/her parent. Please refer to Attachment #3 for Opioid Factsheet.

MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL SERVICES FOR PUPILS (EC §§49472, 48980): The District Governing Board may provide or make available medical or hospital service through nonprofit membership corporations, defraying the cost of medical service or hospital service, or through group, blanket or individual policies of accident insurance or through policies of liability insurance, for injuries to District pupils arising out of accidents occurring on District property or while being transported to and from school-sponsored activities. No pupil is required to accept such service, without the consent of his/her parent/guardian.

INSTRUCTION FOR PUPILS WITH TEMPORARY DISABILITIES (EC §§ 48206.3, 48207.3, 48207.5, 48208, 48980): If your child should suffer a temporary disability which makes attendance in regular day classes or an alternative education program in which the child is enrolled impossible or inadvisable, your child shall receive individual instruction provided by the district in which he/she is deemed to reside. Individual instruction includes instruction provided in your home, in a hospital or other residential health facility, excluding state hospitals, or under other circumstances prescribed by state law. If your child is well enough to return to school during the school year in which individual instruction began, he/she must be allowed to return to the school that he/she attended prior to receiving individual instruction. Individual instruction in your home must commence no later than five working days after the district determines your child shall receive this instruction.

<u>PUPILS WITH TEMPORARY DISABILITIES</u> (EC §§48207, 48208, 48980): In the event that your child has a temporary disability and is confined in a hospital or other residential health facility located outside this District, you shall be deemed to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance in the school district in which the hospital is located. In such circumstances, it is your responsibility to notify the school district in which you are deemed to reside of your child's presence in a qualifying hospital.

<u>TYPE 1 DIABETES</u> (EC §49452.6): Please refer to Attachment #4 for information required to be provided to parents regarding type 1 diabetes.

FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS (EC §§ 49510, et seq., 48980; 49501.5): The District is required to provide two nutritionally adequate meals free of charge (breakfast and lunch) during each school day to students requesting a meal, regardless of their free or reduced-price meal eligibility. Information concerning this program is available at each school site and through the Food Services Department at the District office at (714) 870-2820.

NOTIFICATION OF PESTICIDE USE (EC §§17611.5, 17612, 48980.3): A copy of the school's integrated pest management plan is posted on the school's website. Please refer to the District Summer Update for a list of all pesticide products expected to be applied at your child's school during the upcoming year. For specific information regarding scheduled pesticide applications at your child's school contact George Allen at (714) 680-5659.

ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN (40 CFR §763.93): The District's updated asbestos management plan for each school is available for inspection at the office of the Assistant Principal of Instruction and Operations or through the Director of Maintenance and Operations at (714) 680-5603.

DANGERS OF SYNTHETIC DRUGS (EC § 48985.5): The District is required to share information annually about the dangers associated with using synthetic drugs that are not prescribed by a physician (such as fentanyl), and the possibility that dangerous synthetic drugs can be found in counterfeit pills. There is also a risk that social media platforms may be used as a way to market and sell synthetic drugs, such a fentanyl. Additional information regarding the dangers of synthetic drugs, counterfeit pills and the risk of social media being used to sell such drugs can be found on the District's website as well as each individual school's website. [Information about the dangers posed to students from synthetic drugs is available at: https://www.cde.ca.gov/nr/el/le/yr22ltr1027.asp]

#### **ATTENDANCE**

STATUTORY ATTENDANCE OPTIONS (EC §§35160.5, 46600, 48204, 48300, 48980): The District is required to advise each parent/guardian of all existing statutory attendance options and local attendance options available in the District. These are options for attending schools other than the school designated for the local attendance area in which the parent/guardian resides. The options include intradistrict transfer, interdistrict transfer, transfer based on parental employment, and "district of choice" if established by Governing Board resolution. You may access interdistrict transfer permit information and policy on the District's website at <a href="https://www.fjuhsd.org">www.fjuhsd.org</a>. Please refer to Attachment #7 for a complete summary of these attendance options.

EXCUSED ABSENCES (EC §§48205, 48980): Your child may be excused from school when the absence is for medical or justifiable personal reasons. Your child will be allowed to complete all assignments and tests missed during such an excused absence. Please refer to Attachment #8 for the full text of Education Code section 48205.

GRADE REDUCTION/LOSS OF ACADEMIC CREDIT (EC §§48205, 48980): Your child may not have his/her grade reduced or lose academic credit for any absence or absences excused under Education Code section 48205, when missed assignments and tests that can reasonably be provided are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time. Please refer to Attachment #8 for the full text of section 48205.

ABSENCES FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES (EC §§46014, 48980): If your district's governing board has adopted a resolution under EC § 46014, with your written consent, your child may be excused from school in order to participate in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction at your child's place of worship or at other suitable place or places away from school property designated by the religious group. Your child may not be excused from school for this purpose on more than four days per school month.

EXCUSE TO OBTAIN CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL SERVICES (EC §46010.1): Pupils in grades 7 to 12 may be excused from school for the purpose of obtaining confidential medical services, without the consent of the pupil's parent/guardian. The practice of FJUHSD school administration, however, will be to continue to encourage students to confide in their parents or guardians, clergy, or other responsible counselor when medical

or emotional problems occur. Only in the most extenuating circumstances would school officials exercise the option to excuse a student to obtain confidential medical services without consent of a parent or guardian.

PREGNANT AND PARENTING PUPILS (EC §§ 222.5, 46015, 48980): Districts may not exclude nor deny any pupil from any educational program or activity on the basis of the pupil's pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery therefrom, and shall treat these conditions in the same manner and under the same policies as any other temporary disabling condition. A pregnant or parenting pupil is entitled to 8 weeks of parental leave, or additional leave if deemed medically necessary by the pupil's physician. During parental leave, absences shall be excused and the pupil shall not be required to complete academic work or other school requirements. After return from parental leave, a pupil may resume the course of study in which he/she was previously enrolled, is entitled to make up work missed, and to take a fifth year of high school instruction if necessary to complete graduation requirements. A pupil may elect to attend an alternative education option instead of returning to the school in which he or she was enrolled prior to parental leave. Schools shall provide reasonable accommodations to a lactating pupil on a school campus to express breast milk, breast-feed an infant child, or address other needs related to breast-feeding. A pupil shall not incur an academic penalty as a result of his or her use of these accommodations.

SCHEDULE OF MINIMUM DAYS AND PUPIL-FREE STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS (EC § 48980): The District is required to advise all parents/guardians of the schedule of minimum days and pupil-free staff development days. Please refer to the District's website for the pupil attendance calendar <a href="https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/520">https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/520</a>. If any minimum or pupil-free staff development days are scheduled following the distribution of this notice, the District will notify you as early as possible, but not later than one month before the scheduled minimum or pupil-free day.

#### **NON-DISCRIMINATION**

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION (EC §§ 200, 220; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, § 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973): The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ethnic group identification, religion, sex/gender (gender identity, gender expression) physical/mental disability or immigration status. Your child has a right to a free public education, regardless of immigration status. Please refer to attachment #9 "Know Your Educational Rights" related to immigration. Additional resources for immigrant students and family members developed by the California Attorney General are accessible at <a href="https://oag.ca.gov/immigrant/resources">https://oag.ca.gov/immigrant/resources</a>. The District will take steps to assure that the lack of English will not be a barrier to admission and participation in District programs. Complaints alleging noncompliance with the District's policy of nondiscrimination should be directed to Assistant Superintendent Education and Assessment Services Dr. Sylvia Kaufman, at (714) 870-2840. A copy of the District's nondiscrimination policy is available from the District office or the District Website at <a href="https://www.fiuhsd.org">https://www.fiuhsd.org</a>.

<u>SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY</u> (EC §§231.5, 48980; 5 CCR §4917): The District's written sexual harassment policies are available from the District Web site at <a href="https://www.fjuhsd.org">https://www.fjuhsd.org</a>. Sexual harassment is prohibited by District policy and is an expellable offense. A student who believes he/she has been sexually harassed should immediately report the incident to the Principal or Assistant Principal for investigation.

#### PUPILS WITH DISABILITIES

<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION</u> (EC §56000 et seq., 20 USC §1401 et seq.): Both California and federal law require that a free appropriate public education (FAPE) in the least restrictive environment (LRE) be offered to qualified pupils with disabilities. Information on pupil eligibility, procedural safeguards, and additional matters is available from the Director of Special Education, Paul Valerio and/or the Assistant Superintendent Education and Assessment Services, Dr. Sylvia Kaufman.

<u>CHILD FIND</u> (EC §§56300, 56301): The District has a duty to identify, locate and assess children with disabilities who are in need of special education and related services. If you believe that your child is in need of special education and related services, you may initiate a referral for assessment by contacting the school principal or Director of Special Education Paul Valerio at (714) 870-2870.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

COMPREHENSIVE SEXUAL HEALTH AND/HIV/AIDS PREVENTION EDUCATION (EC §§51938, 48980): The District will provide instruction in comprehensive sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention education and research on student health behaviors and risks for the coming school year. Written and audiovisual educational materials used in this education are available for your inspection at the Principal's office. The education will be taught by school district personnel/outside consultants. A copy of the California Comprehensive Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Act is available from Education and Assessment Services information available District website and more our https://www.fjuhsd.org/site/default.aspx?PageID=3201. You have the right to request in writing that your child shall not receive comprehensive sexual health education or HIV/AIDS prevention education. The District may administer anonymous, voluntary and confidential research and evaluation tools to measure students' health behaviors and risks, including tests, questionnaires, and surveys containing age-appropriate questions about pupils' attitudes concerning or practices relating to sex. You will be notified in writing that any such test, questionnaire or survey is to be administered, and you will be given the opportunity to review the test, questionnaire or survey and request in writing that your child not participate.

<u>DUAL ENROLLMENT AND INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES</u> (EC § 48980.6): Please refer to your school's Guidance Office for information regarding the District's dual enrollment and/or International Baccalaureate courses offered.

<u>DISSECTION OR OTHERWISE HARMING OR DESTROYING ANIMALS</u> (EC §32255 et seq.): If your child has a moral objection to dissecting or otherwise harming or destroying animals, he/she has a right to notify the teacher regarding this objection and to refrain from participation in an education project involving the harmful or destructive use of animals which must be substantiated with a note from a parent/guardian.

(CAASPP) STATE EXAMS (EC 60615; 5 CCR 852): During the spring, students in grades 3-8 and 11 will take the annual state exams. Parents may annually submit to the school a written request to excuse their child from any or all parts of the CAASPP.

<u>HIGH SCHOOL OPEN CAMPUS</u> (EC §§44808.5, 48980): The Governing Board of the District, pursuant to Education Code Section 44808.5, has decided to permit eligible pupils enrolled at each District High School to leave the school grounds during the lunch period. Eligibility is established by the school site administration.

<u>ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS</u> (EC §§ 52242, 48980): The District may be able to help pay for all or part of the costs of one or more advanced placement examinations that are charged to economically disadvantaged pupils.

<u>HIGH SCHOOL OPEN CAMPUS</u> FJUHSD High Schools allow some students to leave the school grounds during the lunch period. Per Education code 44808.5, "Neither the school district nor any officer or employee thereof shall be liable for the conduct or safety of any pupil during such time as the pupil has left the school grounds pursuant to this section."

<u>COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS</u>; CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (EC §§51225.3, 51229, 48980):

- College Admission Requirements: The University of California (UC) and the California State University (CSU) have established common high school course requirements for undergraduate admission. Pupils who take these courses and meet other specified criteria are eligible to apply and be considered for admission. The following list is commonly referred to as the "A-G" requirements:
  - (1) two years of history/social science;
  - (2) four years of college preparatory English or language instruction;
  - (3) three years of college preparatory mathematics;
  - (4) two years of college preparatory laboratory science;
  - (5) two years of the same language other than English;
  - (6) one year of visual and performing arts; and
  - (7) one year of college preparatory electives.
- <u>Websites</u>: The following UC and CSU web sites help pupils and their families learn about college admission requirements, and also list high school courses that have been certified for undergraduate admission:

UC: <a href="https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/freshman-requirements">https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/freshman-requirements</a>

CSU: www.csumentor.edu/planning/high school/subjects.asp

- <u>CaliforniaColleges.edu</u>: This is California's free online platform that helps students explore colleges, careers, and financial aid options in California. Through their school accounts, students can research universities, track A-G course completion, plan for college applications, and even launch financial aid forms like the FAFSA or CADAA with pre-filled information. The platform also offers tools to explore career pathways, set academic goals, and connect with resources to support their future plans. Parents can encourage their students to use CaliforniaColleges.edu to stay on track for college and career success. www.CaliforniaColleges.edu is California's official college and career planning platform. Lessons and tools help students discover goals for life after high school, make plans to achieve them, and launch their futures. It's free for California 6th 12th grade students, their parents, and educators.
- <u>Career Technical Education</u>: The California Department of Education defines "career technical education" as a program of study that involves a multiyear sequence of courses that integrates core academic knowledge with technical and occupational knowledge to provide pupils with a pathway to postsecondary education and careers. Career technical education includes agriculture education, home

economics, industrial and technology education, and regional occupational centers and programs, among other educational programs.

- For a list of career technical education courses offered by the district that satisfy the subject matter requirements for admission to the Cal State and UC systems, please see your child's school counselor.
- <u>Website for Career Technical Education</u>: Pupils can learn more about career technical education at the following California Department of Education website: <u>www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/</u>
- <u>Counseling</u>: Your child has the right to meet with a school counselor for help in choosing courses that will meet college admission requirements, or enrolling in career technical education courses, or both. If you wish to schedule a meeting with a school counselor, please contact the school site administration office.

<u>CAL GRANT PROGRAM</u> (EC § 69432.9): 11th grade students will be deemed Cal Grant applicants unless the student opts out. If 11th grade students do not opt out, their grade point average will be submitted electronically to the State of California Cal Grant system. If you do not wish to submit your GPA for Cal Grant consideration, contact your school's principal before September 15th of your junior year.

LOCAL APPRENTICESHIP AND PREAPPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS (EC §§ 48980, 48980.5 & 49600): The District, in conjunction with working with the County, uses the Department of Industrial Relations' Division of Apprenticeship Standards' database of registered program sponsors to identify available local apprenticeship and pre apprenticeship programs. The District may use the contact information from this database to obtain additional information or materials—such as pamphlets or brochures—about these programs. The Department of Industrial Relations' Division of Apprenticeship Standards' apprenticeship and pre apprenticeship database can be found at <a href="https://www.dir.ca.gov/databases/das/aigstart.asp">https://www.dir.ca.gov/databases/das/aigstart.asp</a>.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARD (EC §§35256, 33126, 32286): The District Governing Board annually issues a School Accountability Report Card (SARC) for each school in the District. You may obtain a copy of the SARC from the Principal's office. The SARC includes, but is not limited to, assessment of school conditions specified in California Education Code section 33126. The SARC also includes an annual report on the status of the safety plan for your child's school, including a description of its key elements. The SARC is published each year with the previous year's information. All SARCs are available on the school website and the following District website: <a href="http://www.fjuhsd.org">http://www.fjuhsd.org</a>.

LANGUAGE ACQUISITION PROGRAM: FJUHSD is required to provide a Structured English Immersion (SEI) program option for our ANNUAL NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS 2025-2026 English Learner Students. This is a language acquisition program for English learners in which nearly all classroom instruction is provided in English, but with curriculum and a presentation designed for pupils who are learning English. At minimum, students are offered ELD and access to grade level academic subject matter content. Fullerton Joint Union High School District also will offer a Dual Language (DL) Program at one of our 8 school sites. The dual language program will be offered to students in grades 9 through 12. To learn more about FJUHSD dual language program, or any other language acquisition program please visit <a href="https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/31">https://www.fjuhsd.org/domain/31</a> To read more on EL Parental Rights please refer to Attachment #11.

<u>REQUESTING A LANGUAGE ACQUISITION PROGRAM</u>: Language acquisition programs are educational programs designed to ensure English acquisition occurs as rapidly and effectively as possible and provide instruction to English learners based on the state-adopted academic content standards, including English language development (ELD) standards. Parents/Guardians may choose a language acquisition program that

best suits their child. Schools in which the parents or legal guardians of 30 pupils or more per school or the parents or legal guardians of 20 pupils or more in any grade request a language acquisition program that is designed to provide language instruction shall be required to offer such a program to the extent possible. Parents may provide input regarding language acquisition programs during the development of the Local Control Accountability Plan. If interested in a different program from those listed above, please contact the Director of Educational Services at 714-870-2872 to ask about the process. Parents of English learners have a right to decline or opt their children out of the school district's language acquisition program or opt out of particular English learner service(s) within a language acquisition program. However, districts remain obligated to provide the student meaningful instruction until the student is reclassified, inform the parent when progress is not made, and offer the parent programs and services to consider at that time.

HEALTH INSTRUCTION/CONFLICTS WITH RELIGIOUS TRAINING AND BELIEFS (EC §51240): If any part of the school's instruction in health conflicts with your religious training and beliefs, you may submit a written request that your child be excused from the part of the instruction that conflicts with your religious training and beliefs.

<u>NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS</u> (EC §58501): The law requires the District to provide parents/guardians with a notice of alternative schools. A description of the District alternative schools is provided in the accompanying District Summer Update.

<u>SEX EQUITY IN CAREER COUNSELING AND COURSE SELECTION</u> (EC §221.5): You have the right to participate in counseling sessions and decisions concerning career counseling and course selection, commencing with course selection for grade 7.

<u>UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES</u> (5 CCR §4622): The District has adopted policies and procedures for the filing, investigation and resolution of complaints regarding alleged violations of federal or state law or regulations governing educational programs, including allegations of unlawful discrimination. A copy of the District's Uniform Complaint Procedures is available from the District office and on the District website at <a href="http://www.fjuhsd.org">http://www.fjuhsd.org</a>.

<u>FEES PROHIBITED</u>: Education Code prohibits school districts from requiring any student to purchase any instructional materials for the student's use in the school. Instructional materials include all materials that are designed for use by students and their teachers as a learning resource and helps students acquire facts, skills, or opinions to develop cognitive processes. The Education Code states that a school district has a basic duty to provide supplies, which are necessary to fulfill the school's educational program. This duty would include athletic uniforms, attire for music classes, musical instruments, special binders, film for photography classes, calculators, or other study and materials. A school district may not charge a fee or require the purchase of necessary materials. The District is primarily responsible for compliance with Federal and State laws and regulations (5CCR §§4620). A pupil enrolled in a public school shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity (EC §§49011). A pupil fee complaint shall be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred (5CCR §§4630(c)(2)). Written complaints related to pupil fees should first be submitted to the Principal, or designee, of the school where the alleged violation occurred (5CCR §§4621-4622 (AR 3260)). A complainant has a right to appeal the District's decision to the CDE by filing a written appeal within 15 days of receiving the District decision (EC §§234.1; 5CCR§§4622, 4632). Copies of the District complaint procedure or Administrative Regulations shall be available free of charge (5CCR §§4622).

## EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT ("ESSA", 20 USC §6301 et seq; EC 313.2, 440):

- <u>Limited English Proficient Children</u>: The ESSA requires the District to inform the parent or parents of a limited English proficient (LEP) child identified for participation or participating in a language instruction educational program, of the following:
  - (1) the reasons for the identification of the child as LEP and in need of placement in an English language instruction educational program;
  - (2) the child's level of English proficiency, how such level was assessed and the status of the child's academic achievement;
  - (3) the methods of instruction used in the program in which the child is or will be participating, and the methods of instruction used in other available programs;
  - (4) how the program in which the child is or will be participating, will meet the educational strengths and needs of the child;
  - (5) how such program will specifically help the child learn English and meet age-appropriate academic achievement standards for grade promotion and graduation;
  - (6) the specific exit requirements for the program;
  - (7) in the case of a child with a disability, how such program meets the objectives of the individualized education program (IEP) of the child; and
  - (8) information pertaining to parental rights that includes written guidance detailing the right that parents have to have their child immediately removed from such program upon their request, and the options that parents have to decline to enroll their child in such program or to choose another program or method of instruction, if available; and assisting parents in selecting among various programs and methods of instruction, if more than one program or method is offered by the District.

If your child is LEP and has been identified for participation or is participating in the English language instruction educational program, please contact your students Guidance Office, for the above information that is specific to your child.

- <u>Right to Information Regarding the Professional Qualifications of Teachers and Paraprofessionals</u>: The ESSA grants parents the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the children's classroom teachers, including the following:
  - (1) whether the teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
  - (2) whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
  - (3) the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and
  - (4) whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

This information is available from Mark Miller, Director of Human Resources or designee at (714) 870-2888. The District will provide timely notice if your child has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who is not highly qualified.

- <u>Information on Child's Level of Achievement</u>: The District will provide timely information on the level of achievement of your child in each of the state academic assessments.
- <u>Homeless Liaison</u>: Homeless pupils have certain rights under California and United States law. For information concerning these rights, please contact the District's liaison for homeless children and youths, Director of Student Support Services, Allen Whitten at (714) 870-2871 or <a href="mailto:awhitten@fjuhsd.org">awhitten@fjuhsd.org</a>.
- Release of Pupil Information to Military Recruiters: Please see entry under Pupil Records.

#### Firearms Safety Memorandum

To: Parents and Guardians of Students in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District

From: Steve McLaughlin, Ed.D.

Subject: California Law Regarding Safe Storage of Firearms

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform and to remind parents and legal guardians of all students in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District of their responsibilities for keeping firearms out of the hands of children as required by California law. There have been many news reports of children bringing firearms to school. In many instances, the child obtained the firearm(s) from his or her home. These incidents can be easily prevented by storing firearms in a safe and secure manner, including keeping them locked up when not in use and storing them separately from ammunition.

To help everyone understand their legal responsibilities, this memorandum spells out California law regarding the storage of firearms. Please take some time to review this memorandum and evaluate your own personal practices to assure that you and your family are in compliance with California law.

- With very limited exceptions, California makes a person criminally liable for keeping any firearm, loaded or unloaded, within any premises that are under their custody and control where that person knows or reasonably should know that a child is likely to gain access to the firearm without the permission of the child's parent or legal guardian, and the child obtains access to the firearm and thereby (1) causes death or injury to the child or any other person; (2) carries the firearm off the premises or to a public place, including to any preschool or school grades kindergarten through twelfth grade, or to any school-sponsored event, activity, or performance; or (3) unlawfully brandishes the firearm to others.<sup>1</sup>
  - **Note:** The criminal penalty may be significantly greater if someone dies or suffers great bodily injury as a result of the child gaining access to the firearm.
- With very limited exceptions, California also makes it a crime for a person to negligently store or leave any firearm, loaded or unloaded, on their premises in a location where the person knows or reasonably should know that a child is likely to gain access to it without the permission of the child's parent or legal guardian, unless reasonable action is taken to secure the firearm against access by the child, even where a minor **never** actually accesses the firearm.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See California Penal Code sections 25100 through 25125 and 25200 through 25220.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See California Penal Code section 25100(c).

- In addition to potential fines and terms of imprisonment, as of January 1, 2020, a gun owner found criminally liable under these California laws faces prohibitions from possessing, controlling, owning, receiving, or purchasing a firearm for 10 years.<sup>3</sup>
- Finally, a parent or guardian may also be civilly liable for damages resulting from the discharge of a firearm by that person's child or ward.<sup>4</sup>

**Note:** Your county or city may have additional restrictions regarding the safe storage of firearms.

Thank you for helping to keep our children and schools safe. Remember that the easiest and safest way to comply with the law is to keep firearms in a locked container or secured with a locking device that renders the firearm inoperable.

Sincerely,

Steve McLaughlin, Ed.D.

California Department of Education

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See California Civil Code Section 29805.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See California Civil Code Section 1714.3.

#### Model Notification of Rights for Elementary and Secondary Schools

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. These rights transfer to the eligible student when he/she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level.

Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal [or appropriate school official] a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The School official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.

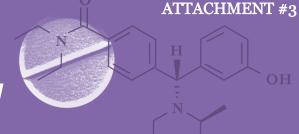
2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under .

Parents/guardians or eligible students who wish to ask the school to amend their child's or their education record should write the school principal [or appropriate school official], clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

- 3. Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education records. However, permits schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions:
- School officials with legitimate education interest;
- Other schools to which a student is transferring;
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
- Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
- Accrediting organizations;
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and

- State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.
- A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the school discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, or is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes of the student's enrollment or transfer.
- Schools may disclose, without consent, "directory" information such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous public private school attended by the student. However, schools must inform parents and eligible students about directory information and allow parents and eligible students a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not disclose directory information about them. School official must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights. The actual means of notification is left to the discretion of each school.
- 4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the school to comply with the requirements of . The name and address of the Office that administers are:

Student Privacy Policy Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202



Prescription opioids can be used to help relieve moderate-to-severe pain and are often prescribed following a surgery or injury, or for certain health conditions. These medications can be an important part of treatment but also come with serious risks. It is important to work with your health care provider to make sure you are getting the safest, most effective care.

# WHAT ARE THE RISKS AND SIDE EFFECTS OF OPIOID USE?

**Prescription opioids carry serious risks of addiction and overdose, especially with prolonged use.** An opioid overdose, often marked by slowed breathing, can cause sudden death. The use of prescription opioids can have a number of side effects as well, even when taken as directed:

- Tolerance—meaning you might need to take more of a medication for the same pain relief
- Physical dependence—meaning you have symptoms of withdrawal when a medication is stopped
- Increased sensitivity to pain
- Constipation

- Nausea, vomiting, and dry mouth
- Sleepiness and dizziness
- Confusion
- Depression
- Low levels of testosterone that can result in lower sex drive, energy, and strength
- Itching and sweating

As many as 1 in 4 PEOPLE\*



receiving prescription opioids long term in a primary care setting struggles with addiction.

\* Findings from one study

# **RISKS ARE GREATER WITH:**

- History of drug misuse, substance use disorder, or overdose
- Mental health conditions (such as depression or anxiety)
- Sleep apnea
- Older age (65 years or older)
- Pregnancy

Avoid alcohol while taking prescription opioids. Also, unless specifically advised by your health care provider, medications to avoid include:

- Benzodiazepines (such as Xanax or Valium)
- Muscle relaxants (such as Soma or Flexeril)
- Hypnotics (such as Ambien or Lunesta)
- Other prescription opioids





# **KNOW YOUR OPTIONS**

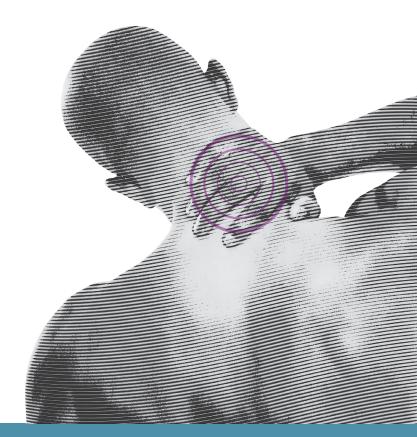
Talk to your health care provider about ways to manage your pain that don't involve prescription opioids. Some of these options **may actually work better** and have fewer risks and side effects. Options may include:

- Pain relievers such as acetaminophen, ibuprofen, and naproxen
- Some medications that are also used for depression or seizures
- Physical therapy and exercise
- Cognitive behavioral therapy, a psychological, goaldirected approach, in which patients learn how to modify physical, behavioral, and emotional triggers of pain and stress.



## Be Informed!

Make sure you know the name of your medication, how much and how often to take it, and its potential risks & side effects.



# IF YOU ARE PRESCRIBED OPIOIDS FOR PAIN:

- Never take opioids in greater amounts or more often than prescribed.
- Follow up with your primary health care provider within \_\_\_\_ days.
  - Work together to create a plan on how to manage your pain.
  - Talk about ways to help manage your pain that don't involve prescription opioids.
  - Talk about any and all concerns and side effects.
- Help prevent misuse and abuse.
  - Never sell or share prescription opioids.
  - Never use another person's prescription opioids.
- Store prescription opioids in a secure place and out of reach of others (this may include visitors, children, friends, and family).
- Safely dispose of unused prescription opioids: Find your community drug take-back program or your pharmacy mail-back program, or flush them down the toilet, following guidance from the Food and Drug Administration (www.fda.gov/Drugs/ResourcesForYou).
- Visit www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose to learn about the risks of opioid abuse and overdose.
- If you believe you may be struggling with addiction, tell your health care provider and ask for guidance or call SAMHSA's National Helpline at 1-800-662-HELP.

#### **Type 1 Diabetes Information**

Pursuant to California Education Code Section 49452.6, this type 1 diabetes information is for local educational agencies to provide to parents and guardians of incoming elementary school students beginning January 1, 2023.

Type 1 diabetes in children is an autoimmune disease that can be fatal if untreated, and the guidance provided in this information sheet is intended to raise awareness about this disease.

#### Description

#### Type 1 diabetes usually develops in children and young adults but can occur at any age

- According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), cases of type 1 diabetes in youth increased nationally from 187,000 in 2018 to 244,000 in 2019, representing an increase of 25 per 10,000 youths to 35 per 10,000 youths, respectively.
- The peak age of diagnosis of type 1 diabetes is 13-14 years, but diagnosis can also occur much earlier or later in life.

#### Type 1 diabetes affects insulin production

As a normal function, the body turns the carbohydrates in food into glucose (blood sugar), the basic fuel for the body's cells.

The pancreas makes insulin, a hormone that moves glucose from the blood into the cells. In type 1 diabetes, the body's pancreas stops making insulin, and blood glucose levels rise. Over time, glucose can reach dangerously high levels in the blood, which is called hyperglycemia. Untreated hyperglycemia can result in diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA), which is a life-threatening complication of diabetes.

#### **Risk Factors Associated with Type 1 Diabetes**

It is recommended that students displaying warning signs associated with type 1 diabetes, which are described below, should be screened (tested) for the disease by their health care provider.

#### **Risk Factors**

Researchers do not completely understand why some people develop type 1 diabetes and others do not; however, having a family history of type 1 diabetes can increase the likelihood of developing type 1 diabetes. Other factors may play a role in developing type 1 diabetes, including environmental triggers such as viruses. Type 1 diabetes is not caused by diet or lifestyle choices.

# Warning Signs and Symptoms Associated with Type 1 Diabetes and Diabetic Ketoacidosis

Warning signs and symptoms of type 1 diabetes in children develop quickly, in a few weeks or months, and can be severe. If your child displays the warning signs below, contact your child's primary health care provider or pediatrician for a consultation to determine if screening your child for type 1 diabetes is appropriate:

- Increased thirst
- Increased urination, including bed-wetting after toilet training

- Increased hunger, even after eating
- Unexplained weight loss
- Feeling very tired
- Blurred vision
- Very dry skin
- Slow healing of sores or cuts
- Moodiness, restlessness, irritability, or behavior changes

DKA is a complication of untreated type 1 diabetes. DKA is a medical emergency. Symptoms include:

- Fruity breath
- Dry/flushed skin
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Stomach pains
- Trouble breathing
- Confusion

#### **Types of Diabetes Screening Tests That Are Available**

- Glycated hemoglobin (A1C) test. A blood test measures the average blood sugar level over two to three months. An A1C level of 6.5 percent or higher on two separate tests indicates diabetes.
- Random (non-fasting) blood sugar test. A blood sample is taken any time without fasting. A random blood sugar level of 200 milligrams per deciliter (mg/dL) or higher suggests diabetes.
- Fasting blood sugar test. A blood sample is taken after an overnight fast. A level of 126mg/dL or higher on two separate tests indicates diabetes.
- Oral glucose tolerance test. A test measuring the fasting blood sugar level after an overnight fast with periodic testing for the next several hours after drinking a sugary liquid. A reading of more than 200 mg/dL after two hours indicates diabetes.

#### **Type 1 Diabetes Treatments**

There are no known ways to prevent type 1 diabetes. Once type 1 diabetes develops, medication is the only treatment. If your child is diagnosed with type 1 diabetes, their health care provider will be able to help develop a treatment plan. Your child's health care provider may refer your child to an endocrinologist, a doctor specializing in the endocrine system and its disorders, such as diabetes.

Contact your student's school nurse, school administrator, or health care provider if you have questions.

#### References

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention KidsHealth Mayo Clinic

National Library of Medicine and National Institutes of Health's MedLine

Questions: CDE's Office of School-Based Health Programs | schoolnurse@cde.ca.gov

## **Type 2 Diabetes Information**

Pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 49452.7, this type 2 diabetes information is for local educational agencies to provide to parents and guardians of incoming seventh grade students beginning July 1, 2010.

The California Department of Education developed this type 2 diabetes information in collaboration with the California Department of Public Health, American Diabetes Association, California School Nurses Organization, and Children's Hospital of Orange County. Also see available translations of this information.

#### Description

#### Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes in adults.

- Until a few years ago, type 2 diabetes was rare in children, but it is becoming more common, especially for overweight teens.
- According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one in three American children born after 2000 will develop type 2 diabetes in his or her lifetime.

#### Type 2 diabetes affects the way the body is able to use sugar (glucose) for energy.

- The body turns the carbohydrates in food into glucose, the basic fuel for the body's cells.
- The pancreas makes insulin, a hormone that moves glucose from the blood to the cells.
- In type 2 diabetes, the body's cells resist the effects of insulin, and blood glucose levels rise.
- Over time, glucose reaches dangerously high levels in the blood, which is called hyperglycemia.
- Hyperglycemia can lead to health problems like heart disease, blindness, and kidney failure.

# Risk Factors Associated with Type 2 Diabetes

It is recommended that students displaying or possibly experiencing the risk factors and warning signs associated with type 2 diabetes be screened (tested) for the disease.

#### **Risk Factors**

Researchers do not completely understand why some people develop type 2 diabetes and others do not; however, the following risk factors are associated with an increased risk of type 2 diabetes in children:

- **Being overweight**. The single greatest risk factor for type 2 diabetes in children is excess weight. In the U.S., almost one out of every five children is overweight. The chances are more than double that an overweight child will develop diabetes.
- Family history of diabetes. Many affected children and youth have at least one parent with diabetes or have a significant family history of the disease.
- **Inactivity**. Being inactive further reduces the body's ability to respond to insulin.
- Specific racial/ethnic groups. Native Americans, African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, or Asian/Pacific Islanders are more prone than other ethnic groups to develop type 2 diabetes.
- **Puberty**. Young people in puberty are more likely to develop type 2 diabetes than younger children, probably because of normal rises in hormone levels that can cause insulin resistance during this stage of rapid growth and physical development.

# Warning Signs and Symptoms Associated with Type 2 Diabetes

Warning signs and symptoms of type 2 diabetes in children develop slowly, and initially there may be no symptoms. However, not everyone with insulin resistance or type 2 diabetes develops these warning signs, and not everyone who has these symptoms necessarily has type 2 diabetes.

- Increased hunger, even after eating
- Unexplained weight loss
- Increased thirst, dry mouth, and frequent urination
- Feeling very tired
- Blurred vision
- Slow healing of sores or cuts
- Dark velvety or ridged patches of skin, especially on the back of the neck or under the arms
- Irregular periods, no periods, and/or excess facial and body hair growth in girls
- High blood pressure or abnormal blood fats levels

## Type 2 Diabetes Prevention Methods and Treatments

Healthy lifestyle choices can help prevent and treat type 2 diabetes. Even with a family history of diabetes, eating healthy foods in the correct amounts and exercising regularly can help children achieve or maintain a normal weight and normal blood glucose levels.

- Eat healthy foods. Make wise food choices. Eat foods low in fat and calories.
- **Get more physical activity**. Increase physical activity to at least 60 minutes every day.
- Take medication. If diet and exercise are not enough to control the disease, it may be necessary to treat type 2 diabetes with medication.

The first step in treating type 2 diabetes is to visit a doctor. A doctor can determine if a child is overweight based on the child's age, weight, and height. A doctor can also request tests of a child's blood glucose to see if the child has diabetes or pre-diabetes (a condition which may lead to type 2 diabetes).

#### Types of Diabetes Screening Tests That Are Available

- Glycated hemoglobin (A1C) test. A blood test measures the average blood sugar level over two to three months. An A1C level of 6.5 percent or higher on two separate tests indicates diabetes.
- Random (non-fasting) blood sugar test. A blood sample is taken at a random time. A random blood sugar level of 200 milligrams per deciliter (mg/dL) or higher suggests diabetes. This test must be confirmed with a fasting blood glucose test.
- Fasting blood sugar test. A blood sample is taken after an overnight fast. A fasting blood sugar level less than 100 mg/dL is normal. A level of 100 to 125 mg/dL is considered pre-diabetes. A level of 126 mg/dL or higher on two separate tests indicates diabetes.
- Oral glucose tolerance test. A test measuring the fasting blood sugar level after an overnight fast with periodic testing for the next several hours after drinking a sugary liquid. A reading of more than 200 mg/dL after two hours indicates diabetes.

Type 2 diabetes in children is a preventable/treatable disease and the guidance provided in this information sheet is intended to raise awareness about this disease. Contact your student's school nurse, school administrator, or health care provider if you have questions.

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Dear Parent or Guardian and Fullerton Joint Union High School District student:

As a parent or guardian, I know how important your child's health is to you. That's why I want to share information about human papillomavirus (HPV) and an effective way to protect your child from the cancers it can cause through immunization.

#### What is HPV?

HPV is a very common virus that 8 out of 10 people will get at some point in their lifetime. Some HPV infections can lead to cancer later in life.

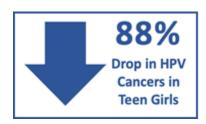


HPV is estimated to cause about 37,000 cases of cancer in men and women every year in the U.S. – that's the same as the average attendance for a major league baseball game!

Only cervical cancer, one of the cancers caused by HPV, can be detected early with a Pap test. The other cancers caused by HPV (cancers of the throat, genitals, or anus) may not be detected until they are more serious. HPV vaccination prevents infections that cause these cancers.

# How can I protect my child from HPV?

HPV vaccination can prevent over 90% of cancers caused by HPV. HPV vaccines are very safe, and scientific research shows that the benefits of HPV vaccination far outweigh the potential risks. With more than 135 million doses given in the U.S. since 2006, HPV vaccine has a long safety record that's backed by over 15 years of monitoring. Common side effects are mild and get better within a day or two. These include pain, redness, or swelling where the shot was given, similar to other vaccines.



HPV vaccination works extremely well. Since HPV vaccination was first recommended in 2006, infections with HPV types that cause most HPV cancers have dropped 88% among teen girls and 81% among young adult women.

Vaccination against HPV is recommended by the federal Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Academy of Family Physicians. It's also recommended by the American Cancer Society and California's Cancer Prevention Act.

# Who should get the vaccine and when should they get it?

Because the vaccine is more effective when given at younger ages, two doses of HPV vaccine are recommended for all kids between the ages of 9 to 12 years, and the second dose should be given before the start of 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

(Kids who wait until later to get their first dose of HPV vaccine may need three doses.) The HPV vaccine is often given at the same time as other adolescent vaccines, like Tdap to prevent whooping cough and meningococcal vaccine to prevent bacterial meningitis.

# Where can I get the HPV vaccine for my child?

Ask your health care provider, pharmacist, or local health department to learn more about HPV vaccine and where you can get it. The vaccine is covered by most health insurance plans. If you don't have health insurance, your child can still get vaccinated. The Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program offers free vaccines to children up to age 18 years without insurance or whose insurance does not cover the cost of vaccines.

Ask your healthcare provider or <u>local health department</u> about VFC, or learn more <u>here</u>. Find doctors participating in VFC <u>in your area</u>.

For more information on HPV, the vaccine, and cancer prevention, visit the <u>Centers for Disease</u> <u>Control and Prevention</u>.

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#### STATUTORY ATTENDANCE OPTIONS

#### Prepared by the California Department of Education

#### **Statutory Attendance Options**

Information provided by the California Department of Education (<a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/fq/districttransfers.asp">https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/fq/districttransfers.asp</a>)

#### **District Transfers**

Laws regarding intradistrict and interdistrict transfers.

Policies regarding intradistrict/open enrollment and interdistrict/reciprocal agreement transfers are the responsibility of each local district governing board and are not within the jurisdiction of the California Department of Education (CDE). Each local district governing board has ultimate authority over general education processes such as district transfers. Parents/guardians shall work with their local school district administration to share their concerns and to determine what local processes their district has in place regarding district transfers. Contact information for California public schools, private schools, nonpublic and nonsectarian schools, County Offices of Education, and school districts can be found on the CDE California School Directory Web (https://www.cde.ca.gov/schooldirectory).

California law requires school districts to provide an education to any student who resides within the district's attendance area. Although students have the right under California law to a free, public education, the law does not guarantee that a student can attend the school of his or her choice, or even the neighborhood school.

California's educational system relies on local control for the management of school districts on the theory that those closest to the problems and needs of each individual district are the best able to make appropriate decisions on behalf of the district. In allocating their resources among the schools of the district, school district governing boards and district administrators must follow the law, but they also have the additional task of setting the educational priorities for their schools and weighing the importance and urgency of all of their education needs.

The following options are available as further detailed below:

- District of Choice
- Intradistrict Transfer
- Interdistrict Transfer/Reciprocal Agreement
- Interdistrict Transfer Because of Parent Employment/Allen Bill
- District Transfers and Transportation
- School Choice

#### **District of Choice**

In 2017, the state budget act significantly changed the requirements for districts that elected to participate in the school District of Choice program. The new requirements are outlined in California Education Code (EC) sections 48300 through 48316. Under these new provisions, the District of Choice determines the number of transfer students it is willing to accept and must ensure that students admitted are selected through a random, unbiased process. The admissions process prohibits an evaluation of whether or not the student should be enrolled based on his or her academic or athletic

performance, physical condition or proficiency in English. For more information, visit the CDE's District of Choice web page (<a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/eo/dc/index.asp">https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/eo/dc/index.asp</a>).

#### **Intradistrict Transfer**

An intradistrict transfer/open enrollment is when parents/guardians wish to register/admit/enroll their student(s) at a school other than the designated school that is in their attendance area **within** their district.

California Education Code section 35160.5(b) permits parents to indicate a preference for the school which their child will attend, irrespective of the child's place of residence **within** the district, and requires the district to honor this parental preference if the school has sufficient capacity without displacing other currently enrolled students.

Districts are encouraged to give preference to siblings attending the same school and to consider the location of parents' places of employment or established child care arrangements in determining enrollment priority. Districts are allowed to make case-by-case exceptions in order to ameliorate harmful or dangerous situations.

#### **Interdistrict Transfer/Reciprocal Agreement**

An interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement is when parents/guardians wish to register/admit/enroll their student(s) at a school other than the designated school that is in their attendance area **outside** of their district.

California Education Code sections 46600–46610 permits parents/guardians to request an interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement. The fundamental basis for this provision is the signing of an agreement between districts. Interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement must be approved by both the student's original district of residence and the district to which the student seeks to transfer to. Both districts must approve the agreement before it becomes valid. The agreement may extend for a maximum of five consecutive years and may include terms or conditions. It is within the authority of either the home district or the receiving district to revoke an interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement at any time for any reason the local board or district superintendent deems appropriate.

If a request for an interdistrict transfer/reciprocal agreement is denied, the student's parents/guardians may file an appeal to the county office of education in the student's district of residence within 30 days of receipt of the official notice of denial of the transfer.

#### **Interdistrict Transfer Because of Parent Employment/Allen Bill**

California Education Code section 48204(b) permits a school district to deem a pupil to have complied with the residency requirements for school attendance in the district if at least one parent/guardian of the pupil is physically employed within the boundaries of that district. Once admitted to residency, the pupil's transfer may be revoked only if the parent ceases to be employed within the boundaries of the district. As a resident, the student does not have to re-apply for the transfer to be valid.

#### **District Transfers and Transportation**

California Education Code Section 41850 provides annual funding to district for home-to-school transportation and special education transportation. Reimbursements are made to districts on a cost-per-mile traveled basis. However, participation in the home-to-school transportation program is wholly voluntary and some districts do not provide these services. Districts may choose to assess a fee for home-to-school transportation.

#### **School Choice**

Under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) section 1111(d)(1)(D), for schools identified for comprehensive support and improvement (CSI), the local educational agency (LEA) may provide all students enrolled in the school with the option to transfer to another public school served by the LEA, unless such an option is prohibited by State law. (ESSA section 1111(d)(1)(D)(i)) In providing students the option to transfer to another public school, the LEA shall:

- Give priority to the lowest achieving children from low-income families, as determined by the local educational agency for purposes of allocating funds to schools under section 1113(c)(1) (ESSA Section 1111(d)(1)(D)(ii));
- Ensure that a student who transfers to a school in the LEA that is not identified for CSI enroll in classes and other activities in the public school in the same manner as all other students in the school (ESSA Section 1111(d)(1)(D)(iii));
- Permit a student who transfers to another public school in the LEA that is not identified for CSI to remain in that school until the student has completed the highest grade in that school (ESSA Section 1111(d)(1)(D)(iv)).

The public school choice (Choice) program under the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) was phased out in the 2017-18 school year due to the implementation of the ESSA. However, LEAs are still required to provide transportation to students who transferred to non-program improvement schools under the NCLB Choice program and allow such students to remain in the schools of choice until they complete the highest grade level in that school.

Additional information is located on the Title I, Part A School Choice web page (https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/sw/t1/schoolchoice.asp).

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# Education Code § 48205. Excused absence; Completion of missed assignments and tests; Effect on state apportionment payments

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 48200, a pupil shall be excused from school when the absence is:
  - (1) Due to the pupil's illness, including an absence for the benefit of the pupil's mental or behavioral health.
  - (2) Due to quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer.
  - (3) For purposes of having medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic services rendered.
  - (4) For purposes of attending the funeral services or grieving the death of either a member of the pupil's immediate family, or of a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, so long as the absence is not more than five days per incident.
  - (5) For purposes of jury duty in the manner provided for by law.
  - (6) Due to the illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the pupil is the custodial parent, including absences to care for a sick child, for which the school shall not require a note from a doctor.
  - (7) For justifiable personal reasons, including, but not limited to, an attendance or appearance in court, attendance at a funeral service, observance of a holiday or ceremony of the pupil's religion, attendance at a religious retreat, attendance at an employment conference, or attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization, when the pupil's absence is requested in writing by the parent or guardian and approved by the principal or a designated representative pursuant to uniform standards established by the governing board of the school district.
  - (8) For purposes of serving as a member of a precinct board for an election pursuant to Section 12302 of the Elections Code.
  - (9) For purposes of spending time with a member of the pupil's immediate family who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined in Section 49701, and has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from, deployment. Absences granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be granted for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the superintendent of the school district.
  - (10) For purposes of attending the pupil's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen.
  - (11) For purposes of participating in a cultural ceremony or event.

(12)

(A) For purposes of a middle school or high school pupil engaging in a civic or political event, as provided in subparagraph (B), provided that the pupil notifies the school ahead of the absence.

(B)

- (i) A middle school or high school pupil who is absent pursuant to subparagraph (A) is required to be excused for only one schoolday-long absence per school year.
- (ii) A middle school or high school pupil who is absent pursuant to subparagraph (A) may be permitted additional excused absences in the discretion of a school administrator, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 48260.

(13)

(A) For any of the purposes described in clauses (i) to (iii), inclusive, if an immediate family member of the pupil, or a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's

immediate family, has died, so long as the absence is not more than three days per incident.

- (i) To access services from a victim services organization or agency.
- (ii) To access grief support services.
- (iii) To participate in safety planning or to take other actions to increase the safety of the pupil or an immediate family member of the pupil, or a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, including, but not limited to, temporary or permanent relocation.
- (B) Any absences beyond three days for the reasons described in subparagraph (A) shall be subject to the discretion of the school administrator, or their designee, pursuant to Section 48260.
- (14) Due to the pupil's participation in military entrance processing.
- (15) Authorized at the discretion of a school administrator, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 48260.
- (b) A pupil absent from school pursuant to this section shall be allowed to complete all assignments and tests missed during the absence that can be reasonably provided and, upon satisfactory completion within a reasonable period of time, shall be given full credit for those assignments and tests. The teacher of the class from which a pupil is absent shall determine which tests and assignments shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the tests and assignments that the pupil missed during the absence.
- (c) For purposes of this section, attendance at religious retreats shall not exceed one schoolday per semester.
- (d) Absences pursuant to this section are deemed to be absences in computing average daily attendance and shall not generate state apportionment payments.
- (e) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
  - (1) A "civic or political event" includes, but is not limited to, voting, poll working, strikes, public commenting, candidate speeches, political or civic forums, and town halls.
  - (2) "Cultural" means relating to the practices, habits, beliefs, and traditions of a certain group of people.
  - (3) "Immediate family" means the parent or guardian, brother or sister, grandparent, or any other relative living in the household of the pupil.
  - (4) "Victim services organization or agency" has the same meaning as defined in subdivision
  - (j) of Section 12945.8 of the Government Code.

# **Know Your Educational Rights**

# Your Child has the Right to a Free Public Education

- All children in the United States have a Constitutional right to equal access to free public education, regardless of immigration status and regardless of the immigration status of the students' parents or guardians.
- In California:
- All children have the right to a free public education.
- All children ages 6 to 18 years must be enrolled in school.
- All students and staff have the right to attend safe, secure, and peaceful schools.
- All students have a right to be in a public school learning environment free from discrimination, harassment, bullying, violence, and intimidation.
- All students have equal opportunity to participate in any program or activity offered by the school, and cannot be discriminated against based on their race, nationality, gender, religion, or immigration status, among other characteristics.

# **Information Required for School Enrollment**

- When enrolling a child, schools must accept a variety of documents from the student's parent or guardian to demonstrate proof of child's age or residency.
- You never have to provide information about citizenship/immigration status to have your child enrolled in school. Also, you never have to provide a Social Security number to have your child enrolled in school.

# **Confidentiality of Personal Information**

- Federal and state laws protect student education records and personal information. These laws generally require that schools get written consent from parents or guardians before releasing student information, unless the release of information is for educational purposes, is already public, or is in response to a court order or subpoena.
- Some schools collect and provide publicly basic student "directory information." If they do, then each year, your child's school district must provide parents/guardians with written notice of the school's directory information policy, and let you know of your option to refuse release of your child's information in the directory.

# Family Safety Plans if You Are Detained or Deported

You have the option to provide your child's school with emergency contact information, including the information of secondary contacts, to identify a trusted adult guardian who can care for your child in the event you are detained or deported. You have the option to complete a Caregiver's Authorization Affidavit or a Petition for Appointment of Temporary Guardian of the Person, which may enable a trusted adult the authority to make educational and medical decisions for your child.

# Right to File a Complaint

• Your child has the right to report a hate crime or file a complaint to the school district if he or she is discriminated against, harassed, intimidated, or bullied on the basis of his or her actual or perceived nationality, ethnicity, or immigration status.

#### NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS California Education Code Section 58501

The following notice must be sent along with the Notification to Parents and Guardians required by EC § 48980. Further, a copy shall be posted in at least two places normally visible to pupils, teachers, and visiting parents in each attendance unit for the entire month of March in each year.

California state law authorizes all school districts to provide for alternative schools. Section 58500 of the Educa¬tion Code defines alternative school as a school or separate class group within a school which is operated in a manner designed to:

- (a) Maximize the opportunity for students to develop the positive values of self-reliance, initiative, kind-ness, spontaneity, resourcefulness, courage, creativity, responsibility, and joy.
- (b) Recognize that the best learning takes place when the student learns because of his/her desire to learn.
- (c) Maintain a learning situation maximizing student self-motivation and encouraging the student in his/her own time to follow his/her own interests. These interests may be conceived by him/her totally and independently or may result in whole or part from a presentation by his/her teachers of choices of learn¬ing projects.
- (d) Maximize the opportunity for teachers, parents, and students to cooperatively develop the learning pro¬cess and its subject matter. This opportunity shall be a continuous, permanent process.
- (e) Maximize the opportunity for the students, teachers, and parents to continuously react to the changing world, including but not limited to the community in which the school is located.

In the event any parent, pupil, or teacher is interested in further information concerning alternative schools, the county superintendent of schools, the administrative office of this district, and the principal's office in each atten—dance unit have copies of the law available for your information. This law particularly authorizes interested persons to request the governing board of the district to establish alternative school programs in each district.

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# Parent Notice Available Language Programs and Language Acquisition Programs

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District offers the following language and language acquisition programs for student enrollment. Parents/Guardians may choose a language acquisition program that best suits their child (*EC* Section 310[a]).

**Structured English Immersion (SEI) Program:** A language acquisition program for English Learners in which is less than well-developed and has not met the reclassification criteria, he/she is recommended to be placed in an SEI program.

SEI is an instructional program taught in English for students beginning to learn English. It includes ELD One through ELD Four classes.

- Students acquire English language skills with appropriate support while learning standards-based content to succeed in a mainstream English program.
- Students learn academic subjects in English through various methods.
- Teachers use EL strategies to teach academic subjects to English Learners.
- English Learners receive Designated ELD instruction daily. *Education Code (EC)* sections 305(a)(2) and 306(c)(3).

**Dual-Language (DL) Program (English/Spanish):** The goals of the Dual Language Program are the acquisition of full language proficiency and academic achievement in two languages - English and Spanish, as well as positive cross-cultural competencies for ELs and English-proficient students. Instruction is delivered in English and the target language. The aim is to promote high levels of academic achievement in core content areas and proficiency in both languages. Students are expected to have demonstrated the ability to met grade-level content standards in both languages prior to applying for the program. The Dual Language program is offered at Sonora High School. *EC* Section 306(c)(1).

#### **How to Enroll Your Child in a Language Acquisition Program:**

Parents/Guardians may choose a language acquisition program that best suits their child. Schools in which the parents or legal guardians of 20 pupils or more in any grade request a language acquisition program designed to provide language instruction shall be required to offer such a program to the extent possible.

Parents of English Learners have a right to decline or opt their children out of the school district's language acquisition program or waive particular English Learner service(s) within a language acquisition program. (20 U.S.C Section 6312[e][3][A][viii) However, LEAs remain obligated to provide the student meaningful instruction (5 CCR Section 11302) until the student is reclassified, inform the parent when progress is not made, and offer the parent programs and services to consider at that time.

#### How to Request the Establishment of a New Program at a School:

Schools in which the parents or legal guardians of 30 pupils or more per school or the parents or legal guardians of 20 pupils or more in any grade request a language acquisition program that is designed to provide language instruction shall be required to offer such a program to the extent possible. (*EC* Section 310[a].) Parents or legal guardians requesting a language acquisition program are asked to submit a verbal or written request to your student's principal. Each school will receive and track parent requests and communicate with parents or legal guardians throughout the process,

Each school is required to maintain written records of parent requests (including verbal requests) which include:

- Date of request
- Parent and child names
- Description of request
- Grade level

#### **About Language Acquisition Programs and Language Programs**

Program Type	Characteristics
Language Acquisition Program (English Learners)	The California Code of Regulations section 11309 requires that any language acquisition program provided by a school, district, or county shall:  ■ Be designed using evidence-based research and include both Designated and Integrated English Language Development;  ■ Be allocated sufficient resources by the local educational agency (LEA) to be effectively implemented, including, but not limited to, certificated teachers with the appropriate authorizations, necessary instructional materials, pertinent professional development for the proposed program, and opportunities for parent and community engagement to support the proposed program goals; and  ■ Within a reasonable period of time, lead to:  ■ Grade-level proficiency in English, and, when the program model includes instruction in another language, proficiency in that other language; and  ■ Achievement of the state-adopted academic content standards in English, and, when the program model includes instruction in another language, achievement of the state- adopted academic content standards in that other language.
Language Program (non-English Learners)	<ul> <li>Language programs offer students who are not English learners opportunities to be instructed in languages other than English</li> <li>May lead to proficiency in languages other than English</li> </ul>

#### **Parent and Community Engagement**

Parents may provide input regarding language and language acquisition programs in the LEA or to be considered in the LEA during the development of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (*EC* Section 52062.) If interested in a different program from those listed above, please contact Joshua Porter, Ed.D., Educational Services, Director to ask about the process.



#### **Pesticide Report Fullerton Joint Unified School District**

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Reporting Authority: Fullerton Joint Unified School District

#### **Objective:**

To effectively manage and eliminate weed growth throughout various locations included in the contract.

#### 1. Cheetah Pro

Active Ingredient: Glufosinate-Ammonium (24.5%)

Manufacturer: Nufarm Americas Inc.

Usage:

- Applied as a non-selective post-emergent herbicide.
- Effective for controlling broadleaf and grassy weeds.
- Application rate: 1.5 4 pints per acre, depending on weed density and growth stage.
- Suitable for spot treatments and large-area applications.
- Typically used around sidewalks, fence lines, landscape beds, and other non-crop areas.
- Applied during dry conditions to minimize runoff.
- Avoided applications during windy conditions to prevent drift.
- Re-entry interval (REI): 12 hours.

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#### 2. Finale XL T&O

Active Ingredient: Glufosinate-Ammonium (11.33%)

Manufacturer: BASF Corporation

**Usage:** 

- Non-selective herbicide for controlling annual and perennial weeds.
- Applied to fence lines, sidewalks, parking lots, landscape beds, and other hardscape areas.
- Application rate: 2 6 quarts per acre, depending on weed size and species.
- Avoided application when rainfall is expected within 4 hours.
- Re-entry interval (REI): 12 hours.

#### **Treated Areas**

1. Admin. Bldg	5. Cafeterias	9. Landscape (Ext)	13. Mix Use Areas
2. Athletic Fields	6. Classroms	10. Landscape (Int)	14. Playgrounds
3. Auditoriums	7. Gyms	11. Libraries	15. Around Pool
4. Bldg (Ext)	8. Hardscapes	12. Locker Rooms	16. Restrooms

# FULLERTON JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT/PARENT/TEACHER COMPACT

The school distributes to parents and family members of Title I, Part A students, a school-parent compact. This compact, which has been jointly developed with parents and family members and outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share in the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State of California's high academic standards.

#### School Responsibilities

- 1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:
- a. Deliver standards-based instruction through interesting and challenging lessons that promote achievement.
- b. Maintain the expectation that all students can learn.
- c. Endeavor to motivate students to learn by recognizing accomplishments and gains.
- d. Participate in professional development opportunities that improve teaching and learning.
- 2. Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress through Aeries Parent Portal, phone calls, and written notes.
- 4. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's education.
- 5. Ensure regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that family members can understand.

#### Parent Responsibilities

Parents will support children's learning in the following ways:

- 1. Monitoring their child's attendance.
- 2. Monitoring their child's academic progress in school.
- 3. Supporting children in completion of homework.
- 4. Supporting the school by attending parent meetings, parent-teacher conferences, information nights, student performances, school activities, and reviewing school information that is sent home.
- 5. Communicating with school staff.

#### Student Responsibilities

Students will share the responsibilities to improve academic achievement in the following ways:

- 1. Demonstrate their best effort on assignments, whether in the classroom or as homework.
- 2. Ask for assistance when something is not fully understood.
- 3. Communicate with parents and teachers about their school experiences.
- 4. Provide to parents or guardians all notices and information given at school that is to go home.
- 5. Maintain appropriate behavior.

This Compact was adopted by the Fullerton Joint Union High School District on May 1, 2023, and will be in effect for the current academic school year.

The school will distribute the Compact to all parents of students participating in the Title I, Part A program through the Annual Notification to all parents/families.



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