

Policy 0450: Comprehensive Safety Plan

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The Governing Board recognizes that students and staff have the right to a safe and secure campus where they are free from physical and psychological harm. The Board is fully committed to maximizing school safety and to creating a positive learning environment that includes strategies for violence prevention and high expectations for staff and student conduct, responsible behavior, and respect for others.

OPTION 1: (Districts with more than 2,500 ADA, and districts with 2,500 or less ADA that choose to develop school site plans)

The school site council at each district school shall develop a comprehensive school safety plan (CSSP) relevant to the needs and resources of that particular school. New school campuses shall develop a CSSP within one year of initiating operations. (Education Code 32281, 32286)

The CSSP shall take into account the school's staffing, available resources, and building design, as well as other factors unique to the school site.

The CSSP(s) shall be reviewed and updated by March 1 of each year and forwarded to the Board for approval. (Education Code 32286, 32288)

The Board shall review the comprehensive safety plan(s) in order to ensure compliance with state law, Board policy, and administrative regulation and shall approve the plan(s) at a regularly scheduled meeting.

As necessary, the Superintendent or designee shall provide training on the CSSP to all school staff.

By October 15 of each year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the California Department of Education (CDE) of any schools that have not complied with the requirements of Education Code 32281. (Education Code 32288)

Tactical Response Plan

Notwithstanding the process described above, any portion of a CSSP that addresses tactical responses to criminal incidents that may result in death or serious bodily injury at the school site, including steps to safeguard students and staff, secure affected school premises, and apprehend criminal perpetrator(s), shall be developed by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Education Code 32281. In developing such strategies, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with law enforcement officials and with representative(s) of employee bargaining unit(s), if they choose to participate.

When reviewing the tactical response plan, the Board may meet in closed session to confer with law enforcement officials and approve the tactical response plan, provided that any vote to approve the tactical response plan is announced in open session following the closed session. (Education Code 32281)

Safety Plan(s) Access and Reporting

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that an updated file of all safety-related plans and materials is readily available for inspection by the public. (Education Code 32282)

However, those portions of the CSSP that include tactical responses to criminal incidents need not be publicly disclosed.

The Superintendent or designee shall share the CSSPs and any updates to the plans with local law enforcement, the

local fire department, and other first responder entities. (Education Code 32281)

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall provide data to CDE pertaining to lockdown or multi-option response drills conducted at district schools in accordance with Education Code 32289.5. (Education Code 32289.5)

Policy Reference Disclaimer: These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the Governing Board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
5 CCR 11987-11987.7	School Community Violence Prevention Program requirements
5 CCR 11992-11993	Persistently dangerous schools; definition
CA Constitution Article 1, Section 28	Right to Safe Schools
Ed. Code 200-262.4	Prohibition of discrimination
Ed. Code 32260-32262	Interagency School Safety Demonstration Act of 1985
Ed. Code 32270	School safety cadre
Ed. Code 32280-32289.5	School safety plans
Ed. Code 32290	Safety devices
Ed. Code 35147	School site councils and advisory committees
Ed. Code 35183	School dress code; uniforms
Ed. Code 35266	Reporting of cyberattacks
Ed. Code 35291	Rules
Ed. Code 35291.5	School-adopted discipline rules
Ed. Code 41020	Requirement for annual audit
Ed. Code 44010	Sex offense; definition
Ed. Code 48900-48927	Suspension and expulsion
Ed. Code 48901.7	Smartphone limitation or prohibition
Ed. Code 48950	Speech and other communication
Ed. Code 48980	Parent/Guardian notifications
Ed. Code 49079	Notification to teacher; student act constituting grounds for suspension or expulsion
Ed. Code 49390-49395	Homicide threats
Ed. Code 49414.35	Emergency treatment for opioid overdose
Ed. Code 49414.6	Student possession of opioid antagonist
Ed. Code 67381	Availability of information regarding crimes
Gov. Code 11549.3	Independent security assessment
Gov. Code 54957	Closed session meetings for threats to security
Gov. Code 8586.5	California Cybersecurity Integration Center
Pen. Code 11164-11174.3	Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act
Pen. Code 1192.7	Criminal procedures
Pen. Code 422.55	Definition of hate crime
Pen. Code 626.8	Disruptions
Pen. Code 667.5	Violent felony; definition

Federal

20 USC 1400-1482

20 USC 7111-7122

20 USC 7912

29 USC 794

42 USC 12101-12213

6 USC 665k

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[Individuals with Disabilities Education Act](#)

Student support and academic enrichment grants

[Transfers from persistently dangerous schools](#)

[Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Section 504](#)

[Americans with Disabilities Act](#)

[Federal Clearinghouse on School Safety Evidence-Based Practices](#)

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CA Office of the Attorney General Publication

California Department of Education

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Federal Bureau of Investigation Publication

Nat'l Assoc. of Secondary School Principals Pub

U.S. Department of Education Publication

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Publication

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[Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All: Guidance and Model Policies to Assist California's TK-12 Schools in Responding to Requests for Access and Information for Immigration Enforcement Purposes, December 2025](#)

[Instructional Continuity Plan Guidance](#)

[Comprehensive School Safety Plans, July 2024](#)

[School Safety: Firearm Safety and Storage, May 2023](#)

[Cyberbullying: Policy Considerations for Boards, Policy Brief, rev. July 2010](#)

[Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, 2011](#)

[Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook, 2004](#)

[The NASSP Principal Recovery Network Guide to Recovery](#)

[Practical Information on Crisis Planning: A Guide for Schools and Communities, January 2007](#)

[Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management in Practice 2024](#)

[California Department of Education, Resources to Include Immigrant Families](#)

[California Department of Education, LEA Immigration Enforcement Policy Submission](#)

[California Department of Education, School Safety Elements and Resources](#)

[California Department of Education, Language Services Policy and Process](#)

[Schoolsafety.gov](#)

[California Department of Education, Safe Schools Planning](#)

[California Military Department](#)

[California Department of Technology, Independent Security Assessment](#)

[U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Fusion Centers](#)

[California State Threat Assessment System](#)

[CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services](#)

[U.S. Secret Service, National Threat Assessment Center](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Federal Bureau of Investigation](#)

[National Center for Crisis Management](#)

[National School Safety Center](#)

[California Department of Education, Safe Schools](#)

[California Governor's Office of Emergency Services](#)

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