

CVUSD Board Policy

BP 6161.3

Instruction

Toxic Art Supplies

Note: Education Code 32064 requires districts to limit their purchases of art supplies for use in grades K-6 to those products which are nontoxic. In grades 7-12, art supplies must be properly labeled to advise of potential health hazards.

Note: The California Environmental Protection Agency (Office of Environmental Health Hazards Assessment) has developed a list of toxic arts and crafts materials which cannot be purchased for use in grades K-6. This periodically updated list is available from the Department of Education as part of the CDE Program Advisory CIL:94/95-01.

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to protect the health and safety of students in the selection of materials used for instruction in arts and crafts activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the purchase, use and proper disposal of arts and crafts materials which ensure that the health and safety of students is protected from harmful exposure to toxic substances in accordance with Education Code 32064 and established health standards.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that arts and crafts material purchased for use by students in grades K-6 will not contain toxic substances or cause chronic illness as determined by the State Department of Health Services.

Students in grades 7-12 are considered able to read and understand product labels and to take adequate precautions to use products which are prohibited for use in grades K-6. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that arts and crafts materials purchased for use in grades 7-12 meet the requirements of Education Code 32065. The products must be properly labeled to identify toxic ingredients, warn of potential adverse health effects and describe procedures for safe use and storage.

(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3514.1 - Hazardous Substances)
(cf. 5142 - Safety)

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
32060 Legislative findings and declarations

32061 Art or craft material; definition
32062 Human carcinogen; definition
32063 Toxic substance causing chronic illness; definition
32064 Restrictions on purchases of arts and crafts materials
32065 Warning labels
32066 List of toxic art supplies; preparation and distribution
HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
108500-108515 Labeling of arts and crafts materials
PENAL CODE
594.1 Aerosol containers of paint

Management Resources:

CDE PROGRAM ADVISORIES

0712.94 Toxic Art Supplies List of Approved Products CIL :94/95-01

CSBA: (10/85 11/86) 2/98

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