Students

SUN SAFETY

The Board desires to support the prevention of excessive UV radiation exposure by students and to assist students in developing sun-safe habits to use throughout their lives.

Students shall be encouraged to take reasonable measures to protect their skin and eyes from overexposure to the sun while on campus, while attending school-sponsored activities, or while under the supervision and control of district employees.

To encourage and assist students to avoid overexposure to the sun when they are outdoors:

- 1. Students shall be allowed to wear sun-protective clothing, including, but not limited to, hats. (Education Code 35183.5)
- 2. Students shall be allowed to wear UV-protective sunglasses outdoors.
- 3. Students shall be allowed to use sunscreen during the school day without a physician's note or prescription. (Education Code 35183.5)
- 4. Students shall be allowed to use UV-protective lip balm.

The Superintendent or designee shall evaluate the adequacy of shaded and/or indoor areas for recreation at each school and shall consider the provision of sufficient shaded areas in plans for new construction or modernization of facilities.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
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(cf. 5141.6 - Student Health and Social Services)

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)

(cf. 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips)

(cf. 5132 - Dress and Grooming)

(cf. 7000 - Facilities Master Plan)

Legal Reference:

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American Cancer Society: http://www.cancer.org

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California Department of Education, Health Services: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he

California Department of Health Services, Skin Cancer Prevention Program:

http://www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/cdic/cpns/skin

California State PTA: http://www.capta.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: http://www.cdc.gov

National Association of State Boards of Education: http://www.nasbe.org

National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention: http://www.skincancerprevention.org

National Safety Council, Environmental Health Center: http://www.nsc.org/ehc/sunsafe.htm

Sun Safety for Kids: http://www.sunsafetyforkids.org

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Sunwise Program: http://www.epa.gov/sunwise

UV Index: http://www.epa.gov/sunwise/uvindex.html

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