

**STUDENT DISTURBANCES**

The Board of Trustees desires to provide orderly campuses that create a positive school environment and are conducive to learning. When students initiate or are involved in a campus disturbance that has the potential to threaten the safety of students or staff, the Superintendent or designee may request law enforcement assistance.

The Superintendent or designee and the school principal of each school shall establish a school disturbance response plan that is intended to curb disruptions, which may lead to riots, violence, or vandalism at school or at school-sponsored events. In developing each school's plan, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with local law enforcement authorities to create guidelines for law enforcement support and interventions.

Staff are encouraged to be alert to conditions at school that may lead to a disturbance, such as racial or cultural conflict, student protests, or gang intimidation and confrontations. Staff who believe that a disturbance is imminent, or who see a disturbance occurring, shall immediately contact the principal and invoke the school disturbance response plans.

Students who participate in disturbances may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulations.

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

*32210 Willful disturbance of public school or meeting*

*32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes*

*35294-35204.5 School safety plans*

*39670-39675 Security patrols*

*44810 Willful interference with*

*44811 Disruption of classwork or extracurricular activities*

*48907 Student exercise of free expression*

PENAL CODE

*403-420 Crimes against the public peace, especially:*

*415 Fighting; noise, offensive words*

*415.5 Disturbance of peace of school*

*416 Assembly to disturb peace; refusal to disperse*

*626-626.10 Crimes on school grounds*

*627-627.7 Access to school premises*