

Safe Schools Advisory Group : ALL WELCOME!

In November 2010, the San Diego Unified School Board established an innovative community-district task force/advisory board to develop and begin implementation plans for a district-wide effort to combat bullying and create safe schools for all students,

SDUSD Safe Schools Advisory Group (formally Task Force):

The Safe Schools Advisory Group is comprised of district employees and concerned community members and parents. It is a public meeting, open to all. The purpose of the Safe Schools Task Force is to support a nondiscrimination policy to ensure a healthier learning environment for all students, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning students. Discussions revolve around all aspects of bullying with a consistent focus on the needed climate change universally to address on-going issues.

Following the California passing of Seth's Law, SDUSD has dramatically updated Procedure # 6370 regarding Child Abuse procedures under the category of Student Welfare. In the same category, they have also just recently (11-8-11) added Procedure # 6381 delineating Student-To-Student Bullying protocol.

Future meetings for 2011-12 have been set as follows:

3/29 3-5 pm SDUSD Education Center, Rm 2226

5/31 3-5 pm SDUSD Education C6/28 3-5 pm The Center

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32281 (2) The school site council may delegate this responsibility to a school safety planning committee made up of the following members:

- (A) The principal or the principal's designee.
 - (B) One teacher who is a representative of the recognized certificated employee organization.
 - (C) One parent whose child attends the school.
 - (D) One classified employee who is a representative of the recognized classified employee organization.
 - (E) Other members, if desired.
- (3)** The school site council shall consult with a representative from a law enforcement agency in the writing and development of the comprehensive school safety plan.

(4) In the absence of a school site council, the members specified in paragraph (2) shall serve as the school safety planning committee.

(f) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), a school district or county office of **education** may, in consultation with law enforcement officials, elect to not have its school site council develop and write those portions of its comprehensive school safety plan that include tactical responses to criminal incidents that may result in death or serious bodily injury at the school site. The portions of a school safety plan that include tactical responses to criminal incidents may be developed by administrators of the school district or county office of **education** in consultation with law enforcement officials and with a representative of an exclusive bargaining unit of employees of that school district or county office of **education**, if he or she chooses to participate. The school

district or county office of **education** may elect not to disclose those portions of the comprehensive school safety plan that include tactical responses to criminal incidents.

(2) As used in this article, "tactical responses to criminal incidents" means steps taken to safeguard pupils and staff, to secure the affected school premises, and to apprehend the criminal perpetrator or perpetrators.

32282. (a) The comprehensive school safety plan shall include, but not be limited to, both of the following:

(1) Assessing the current status of school crime committed on school campuses and at school-related functions.

(2) Identifying appropriate strategies and programs that will provide or maintain a high level of school safety and address the school's procedures for complying with existing laws related to school safety, which shall include the development of all of the following:

(A) Child abuse reporting procedures consistent with Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 11164) of Chapter 2 of Title 1 of Part 4 of the Penal **Code**.

(B) Disaster procedures, routine and emergency, including adaptations for pupils with disabilities in accordance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.).

(C) Policies pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 48915 for pupils who committed an act listed in subdivision (c) of Section 48915 and other school-designated serious acts which would lead to suspension, expulsion, or mandatory expulsion recommendations pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 48900) of Chapter 6 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2.

(D) Procedures to notify teachers of dangerous pupils pursuant to Section 49079.

(E) A discrimination and harassment policy consistent with the prohibition against discrimination contained in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 200) of Part 1.

(F) The provisions of any school wide dress **code**, pursuant to Section 35183, that prohibits pupils from wearing "gang-related apparel," if the school has adopted that type of a dress **code**. For those purposes, the comprehensive school safety plan shall define "gang-related apparel." The definition shall be limited to apparel that, if worn or displayed on a school campus, reasonably could be determined to threaten the health and safety of the school environment. Any school wide dress **code** established pursuant to this section and Section 35183 shall be enforced on the school campus and at any school-sponsored activity by the principal of the school or the person designated by the principal. For purposes of this paragraph, "gang-related apparel" shall not be considered a protected form of speech pursuant to Section 48950.

(G) Procedures for safe ingress and egress of pupils, parents, and school employees to and from school.

(H) A safe and orderly environment conducive to learning at the school.

(I) The rules and procedures on school discipline adopted pursuant to Sections 35291 and 35291.5.

32288. (a) In order to ensure compliance with this article, each school shall forward its comprehensive school safety plan to the school district or county office of education for approval.

(b) (1) Before adopting its comprehensive school safety plan, the schoolsite council or school safety planning committee shall hold a public meeting at the schoolsite in order to allow members of the public the opportunity to express an opinion about the school safety plan.

SDUSD Administrative Circular instructs each school to adopt its comprehensive school safety plan by March 1 annually.