

BRITTAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy No. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education

The Governing Board believes that health education should foster the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that students need in order to lead healthy lives and avoid high-risk behaviors, and that creating a safe, supportive, inclusive, and nonjudgmental environment is crucial in promoting healthy development for all students. The district's health education program shall be part of a coordinated school health system which recognizes that mental health and social connection are critical to student's overall health, well-being, and academic success, supports the physical, mental, and social well-being of students, reflects the importance of digital and media literacy, and is linked to district and community services and resources

Goals for the district's health education program shall be designed to promote student wellness and shall include, but not be limited to, goals for nutrition promotion and education, physical activity, and other school-based activities that promote student well-being.

Any health education course offered to middle or high school students shall include instruction in mental health that meets the requirements of Education Code 51925-51926, and as specified in Administrative Regulation 6143 - Courses of Study

The district shall provide a planned, sequential, research-based, and developmentally appropriate health education curriculum for students in grades K-12 which is aligned with the state's content standards and curriculum framework and integrated with other content areas of the district's curriculum. The Superintendent or designee shall determine the grade levels and subject areas in which health-related topics will be addressed, in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

As appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall involve school administrators, teachers, school nurses, health professionals representing various fields of health care, parents/guardians, community-based organizations, and other community members in the development, implementation, and evaluation of the district's health education program. Health and safety professionals may be invited to provide related instruction in the classroom, school assemblies, and other instructional settings.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide professional development as needed to ensure that health education teachers are knowledgeable about academic content standards, the state curriculum framework, and effective instructional methodologies.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide periodic reports to the Board regarding the implementation and effectiveness of the district's health education program, which may include, but not be limited to, a description of the district's program and the extent to which it is aligned with the state's content standards and curriculum framework, the amount of time allotted for health instruction at each grade level, student achievement of district standards for health education, and the manner in which the district's health education program supports the physical, mental, and social well-being of students.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35183.5 Sun protection

49413 First aid training

49430-49436 Pupil Nutrition, Health and Achievement Act of 2001

49490-49494 School breakfast and lunch programs

49500-49505 School meals

51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

51203 Instruction on alcohol, narcotics and dangerous drugs

51210 Areas of study

51210.8 Health Education Curriculum

51220.5 Parenting Skills; area of instruction

51225.36 Instruction in sexual harassment and violence;

districts that require health education for graduation

51225.6 Instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation; districts

that require health education for graduation

51260-51269 Drug education

51513 Personal beliefs

51880-51881.5 Health education; legislative findings and intent -

51890-51891 Comprehensive health education programs and

community participation;

51900.6 Sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and

prevention instruction

51913 District health education plan

51920 Inservice training; health education

51925-51929 Mandatory mental health education and in-service
training

51930-51939 California Healthy Youth Act

67386 Student safety; affirmative consent

8850.5 Family relationships and parenting education

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