

COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN

The Monterey County Board of Education recognizes that students and staff have the right to a safe and secure campus where they are free from physical and psychological harm. The Board is fully committed to maximizing school safety and to creating a positive learning environment that teaches strategies for violence prevention and emphasizes high expectations for student conduct, responsible behavior and respect for others.

The Superintendent oversees the development of a comprehensive county office safety plan that establishes goals and priorities for safe schools, while identifying and addressing the major safety concerns for each unique site within the jurisdiction and responsibility of the County Office of Education. The plan shall include violence prevention strategies and actions to be taken in the event of a crisis.

Upon initial adoption of a comprehensive school safety plan, each program site shall forward the plan to the Superintendent for approval. Each program site shall review and update its safety plan by March 1 of each year. New program sites shall develop a safety plan within one year of initiating operations.

The Monterey County Board of Education shall review and approve the County Office plan at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. At a minimum, the Board shall discuss how the safety plan addresses the needs of the program and its students within each site.

The Superintendent shall ensure that an updated file of all safety-related plans and materials is readily available for inspection by the public. (Education Code 32282)

By October 15 of each year, the Superintendent shall notify the California Department of Education of any county office schools that have not complied with the requirements of Education Code 32281. (Education Code 32288)

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Legal Reference:

Education Code

Sections 200-262.4, 32260-32262, 32270, 32280-32288, 32290, 35147, 35183, 35291, 35291.5, 35294.10-35294.15, 48900-48927, 49079, 67381

Penal Code

Sections 628-628.6, 11164-11174.3

California Constitution Article 1, Section 28(c)

United States Code

Title 5, 11992-11993; Title 20, 7101-7165

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