

BUSINESS AND NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: County Office of Education Records

The County Board of Education and County Superintendent of School recognize the importance of securing and retaining County Office of Education documents. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that County Office of Education records are developed, maintained, and disposed of in accordance with law, and California Department of Education Regulations, and County Office of Education policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 1340 - Access to County Office of Education Records)
(cf. 3440 - Inventories)

The County Superintendent or designee shall consult with County Office of Education legal counsel, site administrators, information technology staff, personnel department staff, and others as necessary to develop a secure document management system that provides for the storage, retrieval, archiving, and destruction of district documents, including electronically stored information such as email. This document management system shall be designed to comply with state and federal laws regarding security of records, record retention and destruction, response to "litigation hold" discovery requests, and the recovery of records in the event of a disaster or emergency.

(cf. 0440 – County Office of Education Technology Plan)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 9012 - Board Member Electronic Communications)

The County Superintendent or designee shall ensure the confidentiality of records as required by law and shall establish regulations to safeguard data against damage, loss, or theft.

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Files)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

The County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that employees receive information about the County Office of Education's document management system, including retention and confidentiality requirements and an employee's obligations in the event of a litigation hold established on the advice of legal counsel.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Safe at Home Program

County Office public records shall not include the actual addresses of students, parents/guardians, or employees when a substitute address is designated by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Safe at Home program. (Government Code 6206, 6207)

When a substitute address card is provided pursuant to this program, the confidential, actual address may be used only to establish district residency requirements for enrollment and for school emergency purposes.

(cf. 5111.1 - Residency)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35145 Public meetings

35163 Official actions, minutes and journal

35250-35255 Records and reports

44031 Personnel file contents and inspection

49065 Reasonable charge for transcripts

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

2031.010-2031.060 Civil Discovery Act, scope of discovery demand

2031.210-2031.320 Civil Discovery Act, response to inspection demand

GOVERNMENT CODE

6205-6211 Confidentiality of addresses for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking

6252-6265 Inspection of public records

12946 Retention of employment applications and records for two years

PENAL CODE

11170 Retention of child abuse reports

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

432 Varieties of student records

16020-16022 Records, general provisions

16023-16027 Retention of records

Management Resources:

SECRETARY OF STATE PUBLICATIONS

Letter re: California Confidential Address Program Implementation (SB 489), August 27, 1999

WEB SITES

California Secretary of State: <http://www.ss.ca.gov/safeathome>