

Update on Sanctuary Task Force



Board of Trustees
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Mission Statement of the STF

It is the mission of the Sanctuary Task Force to provide support so that all students in SMFCSD are safe to pursue an education in our schools, regardless of birthplace, immigration status, or any other aspects of their identities.

STF Update - Major Activities

1. Reviewed legal text AB699, corresponding legal brief, and recommendations from the CA Attorney General
2. Created the Protection of Students from Immigrant Families document
3. Submitted the document to Executive Cabinet
4. Board adopted (CSBA) policies, including those addressing AB699



PROTECTION OF STUDENTS FROM IMMIGRANT FAMILIES

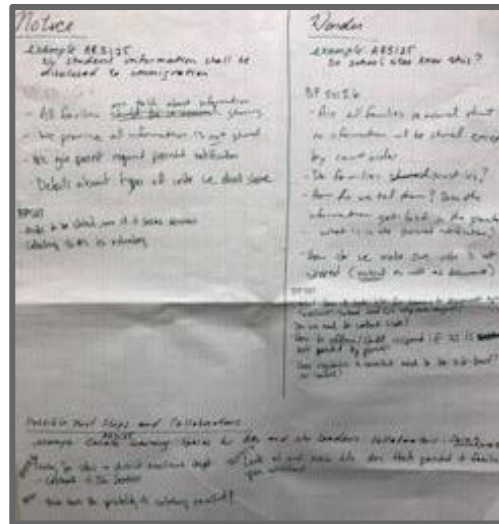
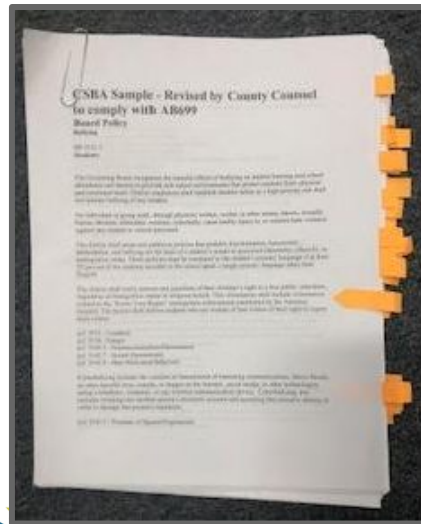
Guiding Principles and Definitions

1. The District is committed to providing a safe, welcoming, and inclusive learning environment for all students, including immigrant students and their families. All students have the right to attend public school and enjoy access to equitable educational and programmatic services regardless of the citizenship or immigration status of the student or the student's family members. "Citizenship or immigration status" refers to all matters regarding citizenship; the authority to reside in or otherwise be present in the United States; the time or manner of a person's entry into the United States; or any other immigration matter within the purview of the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") or other federal agency charged with the enforcement of immigration law.
2. The District is also committed to protecting the confidentiality of sensitive information about students and their families through policies that prohibit information-sharing with federal immigration authorities to the fullest extent possible under the law.
3. For the purposes of this policy, "District personnel" includes all District employees, counsel for the District, and any agencies contracting with the District.
4. For the purposes of this policy, "immigration enforcement officer" includes any federal, state, or local law enforcement officer engaged, in any way, in federal immigration enforcement, including but not limited to any officer, employee, or person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") or any division thereof, an officer, employee, or person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") or any other officer, employee, or person otherwise paid by or acting as an agent of the DHS who is charged with the enforcement of immigration law.
5. District personnel shall not take any steps that would deny students access to education based on their immigration status or any steps that would impede the rights of any students to

STF Update - 10 New BPs and ARs!!

The Sanctuary Task Force is reviewing newly updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations

Example: AB699 - The district shall notify parents and guardians of their children's rights to a free public education, regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs. This information shall include information related to the "Know Your Rights" immigration enforcement established by the Attorney General. The district shall inform students who are victims of hate crimes of their rights to report such crimes.



STF Update - Communications

Distributed “Know Your Rights” information to all schools in multiple languages.

English

Spanish

Mandarin

Japanese

**WHAT TO DO
IF ICE COMES TO YOUR DOOR**

-  **DO NOT OPEN DOORS**
ICE cannot come in without a signed warrant by a criminal court judge. They can only come in if you let them.
-  **REMAIN SILENT**
ICE can use anything you say against you in your immigration case so claim your right to remain silent!
**Say "I plead the fifth amendment and choose to remain silent".*
-  **DO NOT SIGN**
Don't sign anything ICE gives you without talking to an attorney.
-  **REPORT & RECORD!**
Report immediately: UWD hotline 1-844-363-1423.
Take pictures & video unless you're on federal government property.
Take notes of badge numbers, number of agents, time, type of car and exactly what happened!
-  **FIGHT BACK!**
Get a trustworthy attorney & explore all options to fight your case. If detained, you may be able to get bail - don't give up hope! Join your local team to defend yourself from enforcement!

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Next Steps

- ▶ Complete the review of newly adopted policies
- ▶ Create a work plan to ensure policies are operationalized
- ▶ Work with key stakeholders to ensure policies are implemented in central offices and sites

