La Canada USD Board Policy

Access To District Records

BP 1340 Community Relations

Any person shall have reasonable access, during normal business hours, to the public records of the schools and district. Such records shall be examined in the presence of the staff member regularly responsible for their maintenance.

In response to a public records request, the Superintendent or designee shall make reasonable efforts to locate the requested records, including, but not limited to, any electronic communication substantively related to the records, such as email, text messages, instant messages, and other electronic communications, regardless of whether they are transmitted through a district-provided device or account or through an employee's or Board member's personal device or account.

(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology) (cf. 9012 - Board Member Electronic Communications)

The district may charge for copies of public records or other materials requested by individuals or groups. The charge, based on actual costs of duplication, shall be determined by the Superintendent or designee.

Public access shall not be given to records listed as exempt from public disclosure in the California Public Records Act or other statutes.

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 3580 - District Records)
(cf. 4112.5/4212.5/4312.5 - Criminal Record Check)
(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - Personnel Records)
(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/ Privileged Information)
(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)
(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)
Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
35145 Public meetings 35170 Authority to secure copyrights

35250 Duty to keep certain records and reports

41020 Requirement for annual audit

42103 Publication of proposed budget; hearing

44031 Personnel file contents and inspections

44839 Medical certificates; periodic medical examination (re access to medical certificate in personnel file)

49060-49079 Pupil records

49091.10 Parental review of curriculum and instruction

52850 Applicability of article (School based coordinated program plan availability)

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 1, Section 3 Right of access to governmental information

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

430-438 Individual pupil records

GOVERNMENT CODE

3547 Proposals relating to representation

6250-6270 California Public Records Act

6275-6276.48 Other exemptions from disclosure

53262 Employment contracts

54957.2 Minute book record of closed sessions

54957.5 Agendas and other writings distributed for discussion or consideration

81008 Public records; inspection and reproduction

71 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 235, (1988)

COURT DECISIONS

City of San Jose v. Superior Court (2017) 2 Cal.5th 608

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors v. Superior Court (2016) 2 Cal.5th 282

International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers v. The Superior Court of Alameda County, (2007) 42 Cal.4th 319

Los Angeles Times v. Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, (2001) 88 Cal.App.4th 1381

Kleitman v. Superior Court, (1999) 74 Cal.App. 4th 324

Fairley v. Superior Court, (1998) 66 Cal.App. 4th 1414

North County Parents Organization for Children with Special Needs v. Department of Education, (1994) 23 Cal.App. 4th 144

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

71 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 235 (1988)

64 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 186 (1981)

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