Students GANG ACTIVITY

The County Superintendent intends to keep County Office programs and students free form threats or harmful influence of any groups or gangs which advocate drug use, violence or disruptive behavior. The site administrator or designee shall maintain continual, visible supervision of school premises so as to deter gang intimidation of students and confrontations between members of different gangs.

The County Superintendent directs that in-service training be provided to assist staff in conflict resolution, identifying gang symbols, recognizing early manifestations of disruptive activities and responding appropriately to gang behavior. The responsibility for ensuring that this training occurs is assigned to the Division of Student Programs and Support Services.

Gang Symbols

The County Superintendent prohibits the presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, notebook or manner of grooming which, be virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark or any other attribute, denotes membership in a gang. This policy shall be applied at the site administrators discretion as the need for it arises at individual school sites, after consultation with an assistant superintendent and legal counsel.

Legal Reference:

<u>EDUCATION CODE</u> 51264, 51265 <u>PENAL CODE</u> 186.22, 13826-13826.7

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