

BP 6161.3

Instruction

Toxic Art Supplies

The State Department of Health Services has developed a list of toxic arts and crafts materials which cannot be purchased or ordered for use in grades K to 6 and a list of toxic materials, which are no longer sold but which may exist at some schools. The lists should be available through the State Department of Education.

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to protect the health and safety of students in the selection of materials used for instruction in arts and crafts activities.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the purchase, use and proper disposal of arts and crafts materials which insure that the health and safety of students are protected from harmful exposure to toxic substances. These procedures shall be developed in accordance with information provided in the State Department of Education and the State Department of Health Services.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 32060 Legislative findings and declarations
- 32061 Art or craft material; definition
- 32062 Human carcinogen; definition
- 32063 Toxic substance causing chronic illness; definition
- 32064 Restrictions on purchases of arts and crafts materials
- 32065 Warning labels
- 32066 List of toxic art supplies; preparation and distribution

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

- 108500-108505 Labeling of arts and crafts materials, effective January 1, 1986

Policy
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