

BUSINESS AND NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: Facilities Inspection

The County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools recognize that the condition of school facilities may have an impact on safety, student learning and achievement, and employee morale, and desires to provide school facilities that are safe, clean, and functional, as defined in Education Code 17002.

(cf. 0510 - School Accountability Report Card)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 3111 - Deferred Maintenance Funds)

The County Superintendent or designee shall develop a facilities inspection and maintenance program to ensure that County Office of Education schools are maintained in good repair in accordance with law. At a minimum, the inspection program shall determine facility conditions specified on the inspection and evaluation instrument, including any evidence of:

1. Gas leaks
2. Problems with mechanical systems, including heating, ventilation, or air conditioning systems
3. Broken windows or doors
4. Broken gates or fences that could pose a safety hazard
5. Unsafe or unclean interior surfaces, such as walls, floors, or ceilings
6. Improperly stored hazardous or flammable materials that may pose an immediate threat to students or staff
7. Damaged or nonfunctioning structural elements, such as posts, beams, or supports
8. Nonfunctioning fire sprinklers and emergency equipment, such as alarms or fire extinguishers
9. Improperly secured or nonfunctioning electrical systems, components, or equipment
10. Inadequate or nonfunctioning lighting
11. Major pest or vermin infestation

12. Inaccessible or nonfunctioning drinking fountains
13. Inaccessible, unclean, nonfunctioning, or inadequately supplied restrooms during school hours
14. Backed-up, clogged, odorous, or flooded sewage system
15. Nonfunctioning or damaged roofs, gutters, drains, or downspouts
16. Drainage problems on school grounds, including water damage to playgrounds or parking lots
17. Nonfunctioning or hazardous playground equipment or exterior fixtures
18. Nonfunctioning or hazardous fields, walkways, or parking lot surfaces
19. Unclean school grounds, including accumulated refuse or unabated graffiti

The County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any necessary repairs identified during the inspection are made in a timely and expeditious manner. The County Superintendent or designee shall provide the County Board of Education with regular reports regarding the County Office of Education's facility inspection program.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1240 County superintendent of schools, duties

17002 Definitions

17070.10-17077.10 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998

17565-17591 Property maintenance and control, especially:

17584 Deferred maintenance

17592.72 Urgent or emergency repairs, School Facility Emergency Repair Account

33126 School accountability report card

35186 Williams uniform complaint procedure

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

1859.300-1859.329 Emergency Repair Program

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education, Williams case:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/ce/wc/index.asp>

State Allocation Board, Office of Public School Construction:

<http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov>