

Fresno Unified Board Policy (BP) 1340

Access to District Records

The Governing Board recognizes the right of members of the public to have access to public records of the district. The district shall provide any person reasonable access to the public records of the schools and district during normal business hours and within the requirements of law. Public access shall not be given to records listed as exempt from public disclosure in the California Public Records Act and other state or federal law.

(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 Files)

(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)

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 district email and other electronic communications.

(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, unless they are using their own personal equipment to reproduce the record. The charge shall be based on actual costs of duplication, as determined by the Superintendent or designee and as specified in administrative regulation.

In order to help maintain the security of district records, members of the public granted access shall examine records in the presence of a district staff member.

Fresno Unified School District prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived race, color, ethnicity, national origin, immigration status, ancestry, age, creed, religion, political affiliation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, mental or physical disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, medical information, military veteran status, or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics or any other basis protected by law or regulation, in its educational program(s) or employment.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status

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
49060-49079 Student records
49091.10 Parental review of curriculum and instruction
GOVERNMENT CODE
3547 Proposals relating to representation
6250-6270 California Public Records Act
6275-6276.48 California Public Records Act; other exemptions from disclosure
8310.3 California Religious Freedom Act
53262 Employment contracts
54957.2 Minute book record of closed sessions
54957.5 Agendas and other writings distributed for discussion or consideration
81008 Political Reform Act, public records; inspection and reproduction
CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION
Article 1, Section 3 Right of access to governmental information
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
430-438 Individual student records

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
Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System v. Superior Court (2011) 195 Cal. App. 4th 440
International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers v. The Superior Court of Alameda County, (2007) 42 Cal.4th 319
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Kleitman v. Superior Court, (1999) 74 Cal.App. 4th 324
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ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS
71 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 235 (1988)
64 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 186 (1981)

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