

Policy 5145.13: Response To Immigration Enforcement

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The Governing Board is committed to the success of all students and believes that every school site should be a safe and welcoming place for all students and their families irrespective of their citizenship or immigration status. Indeed, on 1/24/17, the Board of Education passed Resolution No. 2016-2017.48, a Resolution Declaring AUSD a Safe Haven School District, ensuring that AUSD is committed to ensuring a safe educational environment for all, and is committed to being a safe haven school district for students and families threatened by immigration enforcement to the fullest extent of the law. On DATE, the Board reaffirmed this Resolution and remains committed to ensuring that all students and families attending AUSD schools have access to a safe and welcoming education.

District staff shall not solicit or collect information or documents, and shall not seek or require information or documents to the exclusion of other permissible information or documents, regarding the citizenship or immigration status of a student or the student's family members. (Education Code 234.7)

In accordance with law, Board Policy 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities, and Board Policy 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment, no student shall be denied equal rights and opportunities, nor be subjected to unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying in the district's programs and activities on the basis of the student's or family's immigration status or for the refusal to provide information related to the student's or family's immigration status. (Education Code 200, 220, 234.1)

Resources and data collected by the district shall not be used, directly or by others, to compile a list, registry, or database of individuals based on national origin, immigration status, religion, or other category of individual characteristics protected against unlawful discrimination. (Government Code 8310.3)

The Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians regarding their children's right to a free public education regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs and their rights related to immigration enforcement. (Education Code 234.7)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for addressing any immigration-related requests by a law enforcement officer for access to district records, school sites, or students.

The Superintendent or designee may provide training to staff regarding immigration issues, including information on responding to a request from a law enforcement officer to visit a school site or to have access to a student.

The Superintendent or designee shall report to the Board in a timely manner any requests for information or access to a school site by a law enforcement officer for the purpose of enforcing the immigration laws. Such notification shall be provided in a manner that ensures the confidentiality and privacy of any potentially identifying information. (Education Code 234.7)