MIDDLETOWN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy 3530: Risk Management/Insurance

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The Governing Board desires to promote the safety of students, staff, and the public while protecting district resources. The Superintendent or designee shall establish a risk management program that uses effective safety and loss control practices.

The district shall strive to keep its liability at a minimum and its insurance premiums as low as possible while maintaining adequate protection against loss which may occur due to hazards facing the district.

To determine the most economical means of insuring the district consistent with required services, the Superintendent or designee shall annually review the district's options for obtaining coverage, including qualified insurance agents, a joint powers agency, self-insurance, or a combination of these means. Decisions regarding the means of insuring the district shall be based on a careful analysis of past claims records indicating the frequency and magnitude of losses and a prediction of future losses.

To minimize the district's exposure to liability, the Board shall adopt clear policies related to discrimination, harassment, safety procedures, and the timely handling of claims. The Superintendent or designee shall enforce these policies and related procedures fairly and consistently. The Superintendent or designee shall provide safety-related training and protective equipment to staff as appropriate for their position.

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically report to the Board on the district's risk management activities, including, but not limited to, the district's property and liability risks and exposures and the effectiveness of the district's risk management and loss control practices.

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State Ed. Code 17029.5	Description Contract funding; board liability
Ed. Code 17565-17592.5	Board duties; management and control of school property
Ed. Code 32350	<u>Liability on equipment loaned to district</u>
Ed. Code 35162	Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property
Ed. Code 35200-35214	<u>Liabilities</u>
Ed. Code 35208	<u>Liability insurance</u>
Ed. Code 35211	<u>Driver training civil liability insurance</u>
Ed. Code 35213	Reimbursement for loss or damage of personal property

Ed. Code 35214 <u>Liability insurance (self-insurance or a combination of the combination o</u>

self-insurance and insurance through an insurance company)

Ed. Code 35331 Provision for medical or hospital service for pupils (on field

trips)

Ed. Code 39837 <u>Transportation to summer employment program</u>

Ed. Code 41021 Requirement for employee's indemnity bond

Ed. Code 44873 Qualifications for physician (liability coverage)

Ed. Code 49470-49474 <u>District medical services and insurance</u>

Gov. Code 820.9 <u>Members of local public boards not vicariously liable</u>

Gov. Code 831.7 <u>Hazardous recreational activities</u>

Gov. Code 989-991.2 <u>Local public entity insurance</u>

Lab. Code 3200-4856 Workers' compensation

Management Resources Description

Website CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services

Website <u>Public Agency Risk Management Association</u>

Website <u>California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of</u>

Occupational Safety and Health

Website California Association of Joint Powers Authorities

Website California Association of School Business Officials

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