

DISTRICT AND SCHOOL WEB SITES

Content

District and school web sites shall provide current and useful information regarding district programs, activities and operations. Such information shall be appropriate for both internal and external audiences.

The content of web sites may include, but not be limited to, district or school news, district mission and goals, agendas and minutes of Governing Board meetings, policy information, messages from the Board or administrators, information about curriculum and instruction, school calendars, student projects, school clubs and activities, lunch menus, transportation schedules, school map, school handbook, parent conferences, educational resources, links to other educational sites and contacts for further information.

With approval of the principal, individual teachers may create web pages linked to the district or school web site to provide information pertaining to class assignments, expectations, and activities.

Students, staff, or other individuals may not use the district or school web site to provide access to their personal web pages or online services.

The Superintendent or designee shall make the information contained in the School Accountability Report Card accessible on the Internet and shall ensure that such information is updated annually. (Education Code 35258)

Student work may be published on a web site provided that both the student and his/her parent/guardian provide written permission or the work is part of an existing publication such as a newspaper or school newsletter.

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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that copyright laws are not violated in the use of materials on district and school web sites. If any copyrighted material is posted on a district or school web site, the web site shall include a notice crediting the original producer of the material and noting how and when permission to reprint the material was granted.

Roles and Responsibilities

Any employee assigned as a district or school webmaster shall be responsible for the uploading of material to the web site(s) upon approval of the Superintendent or designee. He/she shall ensure consistency of the material with district standards, regularly check links for accuracy and appropriateness, keep the web server free of outdated or unused files, and provide technical assistance as needed to school webmasters.

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The Superintendent or designee may assign additional staff members to perform similar duties related to the content and maintenance of the school's web site upon approval of the school principal, to conduct an editorial review of all materials submitted for publication on district or school web sites, and to make corrections as needed in spelling, grammar, or accuracy of content.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff development opportunities related to district content guidelines, design standards, and accessibility laws and standards to district communications and technology staff, district and school webmasters, and/or other appropriate staff.

Security

The Superintendent or designee shall establish security procedures for the district's computer network to prevent unauthorized access and changes to district and school web sites. To the extent possible, the host computer(s) shall be in a lockable room with restricted access.