

Business and Noninstructional Operations

RECOVERY FOR PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE

The Board of Education desires to create a safe and secure learning environment and to minimize acts of vandalism and damage to school property. To discourage such acts, the District shall seek reimbursement of damages, within the limitations specified in law, from any individual, or from the parents/guardians of any minor, who has committed theft or has willfully damaged District or employee property.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3515 - Security)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism)
(cf. 5136 - Gangs)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

The parent/guardian of a minor who commits an act of theft or vandalism may be held liable for damages and rewards in accordance with law. (Education Code 48904)

Rewards

When District or law enforcement officials have not been able to identify the person(s) responsible for the theft or vandalism of District property, the Board may authorize a reward for the identification and apprehension of the responsible person(s).

The Board authorizes the Superintendent/designee to offer a reward in any amount he/she deems appropriate, not exceeding \$2,500. A reward in excess of \$2,500 shall be authorized in advance by the Board.

The Superintendent/designee shall disburse the reward when the guilt of the person responsible for the act has been established by a criminal conviction or other appropriate judicial procedure.

Legal References:

EDUCATION CODE

- 19910 Libraries, malicious cutting, tearing, defacing, breaking, or injuring
- 19911 Libraries, willful detention of property
- 44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct
- 48904 Liability of parent or guardian for willful misconduct

Business and Noninstructional Operations

RECOVERY FOR PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE (continued)

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Liability of parent or guardian for act of willful misconduct by a minor

GOVERNMENT CODE

53069.5 Reward for information concerning person causing death, injury, or property damage; liability for reward

53069.6 Actions to recover damages

54951 Local agency, definition

PENAL CODE

484 Theft defined

594.1 Aerosol paint and etching cream

640.5 Graffiti; facilities or vehicles of governmental entity

640.6 Graffiti

Policy

Adopted: 02/02/93

Revised: 02/13/19

CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Chula Vista, California