

## PUHSD – BOARD POLICIES

### JUSTIFICATION FOR SERIES 3000 (Business and Noninstructional Operations)

(Pending Board Approval October 16, 2019)

#### **Background**

##### **BP 3510 - Green School Operations**

(BP revised)

Policy expands best practices for environmental accountability in district programs and operations, including involvement of staff at all levels, use of least toxic pest management practices, compliance with green building standards in any new construction, acquisition of reduced or zero emission school buses, limitation of unnecessary idling of school buses or personal vehicles, implementation of green practices in the district's food services program, and use of green school activities as tools for student learning.

##### **BP/AR 3511 - Energy and Water Management**

(BP/AR revised)

Policy and regulation updated to reflect recommendations in **NEW STATE GUIDANCE** from CDE, the Division of the State Architect in the Department of General Services, and the State Water Resources Control Board. Policy also deletes green school strategies duplicated in other policies, and adds coordination with local and regional entities to share expertise and resources. Section on "Storm Water Management" deletes specific requirements for "nontraditional MS4 entities" that are subject to the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges to Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, and clarifies that districts may also be subject to the Construction General Permit and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities. Section on "Emergency Interruption of Services" contains material formerly in AR. Regulation expands components of the district's resource management program to include strategies related to outdoor spaces, drought-tolerant habitats, and equipment maintenance and repair. Regulation also adds new section on "Storm Water Management" with examples of best practices and adds new material related to the emergency interruption of services.

##### **AR 3514 - Environmental Safety**

(AR revised)

Regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 2453, 2018)** which (1) authorizes state facilities modernization grants to be used to update air filtration systems and (2) authorizes districts and schools in communities with a high cumulative exposure to toxic air contaminants to work with air districts and to be eligible for a grant to implement air quality mitigation efforts. Regulation also reflects the July 1, 2019 deadline for completing testing for lead in the drinking water of any school constructed before January 1, 2010, and **NEW LAW (AB 2370, 2018)** which requires a licensed child care center that is located in a building constructed before January 1, 2010 to have its drinking water tested for lead contamination.

##### **BP/AR 3540 - Transportation**

(BP revised; AR deleted)

Policy updated to include material formerly in AR regarding the means of transportation, contracts for transportation services, and the option to pay parents/guardians their actual and necessary expenses in transporting the student. Policy also addresses (1) the district's authority to require families to pay a transportation fee, with specified exceptions; (2) the district's authority to transport students without parent/guardian permission when evacuation of students is necessary for their safety; and (3) the

installation of a global positioning system on school buses to enhance safety and provide real-time location data. Regulation deleted and key concepts moved to BP.

### **BP/AR 3551 - Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund**

(BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to reflect **NEW FEDERAL REGULATION (84 Fed. Reg. 8247)** and updated California Department of Education (CDE) guidance giving districts with an average daily attendance of less than 2,500 greater flexibility in the hiring of food service directors. Policy also consolidates material on nondiscrimination toward students who have unpaid meal fees and those who participate in the free and reduced-price meal program. Regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 3043, 2018)** which permits the use of cafeteria funds to (1) pay for the purchase of a mobile food facility and (2) supplement the cost of providing universal breakfast in districts that do not provide universal breakfast under a federal program, provided they submit the required certification to CDE. Regulation also updates section on U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) donated foods to reflect current requirements for the safe storage and control of the foods. In both policy and regulation, CDE and USDA guidance renumbered when superseded by newer guidance.