

Students

Vandalism

It is the intention of the superintendent to seek redress (in the amount of the damage) from any individual or the parents/guardian of the individual if a minor, for any act of vandalism committed by that individual.

Vandalism includes negligent, willful or unlawful damaging or taking of any county office-owned real or personal property. The parents or guardian having custody or control of a minor who commits an act of vandalism cannot be held liable for more than \$5,000 for that act, except that the parents or guardian may also be held liable for any reward, not exceeding \$5,000, paid pursuant to Government Code Section 53069.5.

Any pupil, or the parent/guardian of any minor pupil, shall be held liable for all property belonging to the county office that has been damaged, destroyed, stolen or lent and not returned upon demand by the pupil. After affording the pupil his/her due process rights, the county office may withhold progress reports of the pupil responsible for the vandalism or theft until the pupil or the pupil's parent/guardian has paid for the damages.

Any pupil enrolled in a county office program who commits an act of vandalism may also be liable to disciplinary action by the county office. The student's name will also be forwarded to appropriate district personnel.

Notice to Parent/Guardian

Prior to withholding a pupil's progress report, the county office shall notify the pupil's parent/guardian in writing of the pupil's alleged misconduct.

Legal Reference: Education Code
44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct
(minors over 16 years of age or adults not pupils of
school)
48900 Grounds for suspension (or expulsion)
48904 Willful misconduct, limit of liability of parent
or guardian

Administrative Code, Title 5
305 Pupil responsible for care of property

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

Policy

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