

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: June 3, 2014

TITLE: Approval of 2014-2015 Student Code of Conduct

BACKGROUND:

The Governing Board's Student Code of Conduct is the mechanism through which the Board communicates its expectations for student behavior and the consequences for violating those expectations, consistent with state and federal law. State law mandates that each school district Governing Board establish rules for student behavior and that such rules include consequences deemed appropriate. In some respects, state and federal law also compel specific outcomes to some degree, such as where a student threatens the safety or security of a school campus or a student possesses a firearm.

An effective Code must explain expectations for behavior so that all members of the school community can fully understand them; it must also provide fair and consistent guidelines for consequences to be applied when behavioral incidents do occur to help ensure schools are safe places for students, staff, and the public.

The FY 2015 draft of the two code versions (one for elementary and one for middle and high school) were reviewed by the Governing Board at its regular May meeting. Dr. Barrabee provided some specific requests for modification at that time. Those changes are being incorporated into final drafts for presentation to the Board, through this item, for adoption. Due to a staff injury, however, the final drafts were not ready for attachment at the time this item was prepared. They will be provided by amendment to this item.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Governing Board approve and adopt the provided forms of the Code of Conduct for the 2015 Fiscal Year.

INITIATED BY:

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Patrick Nelson, Superintendent

Date: June 2, 2014