

**Approval of TASB Update 117 Local Policies & Revisions to CNB(Local) on
1st Reading, & Deletion of FEE(Lcoal)
August 24, 2021**

SUMMARY:

Local policies included in Update 117:

TASB Policy Update 117 focuses on updating and reorganizing policies throughout the Board Policy Manual. Specifically, CH(Local) grants the Superintendent the authority to contract for the replacement, construction, or repair of school equipment or facilities in accordance with law, in the event of an emergency, as necessary for the health and safety of District students and staff. In CV(Local), reference is made to changes in CH(Local). DEC(Local) reflects changes to the leaves and absences policy.

In addition to these local changes, Update 117 includes several other legal policies affected by legislation from the 86th Legislative Session that were not included in Update 115 and 116 and incorporates changes from the revised Administrative Code rules that impose changes effective with the 2021-2022 school year.

Local policies included in Update 116:

- CH(LOCAL): PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION
- CV(LOCAL): FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION
- DEC(LOCAL): COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: LEAVES AND ABSENCES

District Local Policy Revisions:

- CNB(LOCAL): TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: DISTRICT VEHICLES

District Local Policy Deletions:

- FEE(LOCAL): ATTENDANCE: OPEN/CLOSE CAMPUS (**DELETE POLICY**)

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The Board discussed and reviewed TASB Update 117 during the Workshop portion of the board meeting on August 24, 2021.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Update 117 contains 26 legal policies, 3 local policies and 1 exhibit.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

The district must have school policies that are consistent with current laws and appropriately communicate local policy issues. Policies are classified as either “Legal” or “Local” in design. A “Legal” policy is a statement of existing law or of binding legal decisions and as such do not require Board approval. Local policies are decisions made at the local level that reflect district decisions and practices and do require approval. Legal policies are always included in updates so local policy development occurs within the context of binding law.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

To allow the Board to evaluate and ensure that these policies reflect the practices of the District.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

Because the law requires districts to adopt a local policy so quickly, districts are allowed to implement the process for emergency adoption with one reading.

ALTERNATIVES:

The following options are available to the Board:

- continue to study the policy
- modify the existing language
- approve policies as written and submitted by TASB

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve TASB Update 117 local policies.

PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

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ATTACHMENT:

TASB Update 117 Local Policy Comparison Packet

