

SERVICE LEARNING/COMMUNITY SERVICE CLASSES

The Governing Board recognizes that service learning can enhance academic outcomes, help students develop the skills and knowledge necessary to become informed and responsible citizens, and aid in individual career development. Service learning experiences may also motivate students by providing them the opportunity to apply their studies to school and community needs and showing them that they can make a contribution to their community through involved citizenship.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 6000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6030 - Integrated Academic and Vocational Instruction)
(cf. 6142.3 - Civic Education)

Service Learning

The Board supports service learning instructional strategies as integral components of the district's curriculum. The Board encourages staff to collaborate with local public and nonprofit agencies in order to develop service learning activities that meet educational objectives, align with state and local academic standards, and address current community needs.

(cf. 1600 - Relations Between other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)

*Legal Reference:**EDUCATION CODE**233.5 Teaching of principles**35160 Authority of governing boards**35160.1 Broad authority of school districts**37220.6 Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning**51210 Areas of study, grades 1-6**51220 Areas of study, grades 7-12**51745 Independent study**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42**12501-12682 National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993**COURT DECISIONS**Steirer et al v. Bethlehem School District, (1993) 987 F.2d 989**Management Resources: (see next page)*

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Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education, Service Learning: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/cr/sl>

Learn and Serve America: <http://www.learnandserve.org>

National Service Learning Clearinghouse: <http://www.servicelearning.org>

Youth Service California: <http://www.yscal.org>

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