

**RECOVERY FOR PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE**

The Governing Board desires to create a safe and secure learning environment and to minimize acts of vandalism and damage to school property. To discourage such acts, the district shall seek reimbursement of damages, within the limitations specified in law, from any individual, or from the parent/guardian of any minor, who has committed theft or has willfully damaged district or employee property.

*(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)*  
*(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)*  
*(cf. 4156.3/4256.3/4356.3 - Employee Property Reimbursement)*  
*(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)*  
*(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)*  
*(cf. 5131 - Conduct)*  
*(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism and Graffiti)*  
*(cf. 5136 - Gangs)*  
*(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)*

**Rewards**

When district or law enforcement officials are unable to have not been able to identify the person(s) responsible for the theft or vandalism of district property, the Board may authorize a reward for the identification and apprehension of the responsible person(s).

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to offer a reward in any amount he/she deems appropriate, not exceeding \$2,500. If the Superintendent or designee determines a reward in excess of \$2,500 is appropriate, the reward amount shall be authorized in advance by the Board.

The Superintendent or designee shall disburse when the guilt of the person responsible for the act has been established by a criminal conviction or other appropriate judicial procedure.

*Legal Reference:**EDUCATION CODE**19910 Libraries, malicious cutting, tearing, defacing, breaking or injuring**19911 Libraries, willful detention of property**44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct**48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful misconduct**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**53069.6 Actions to recover damages**54951 Local agency, definition**PENAL CODE**484 Theft defined**594 Vandalism**594.1 Aerosol paint and etching cream**640.5 Graffiti; facilities or vehicles of governmental entity**640.6 Graffiti**Management Resources:**WEB SITES**CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>**California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov> (2/95 10/97) 7/09*