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PROHIBITED STUDIES/MATERIALS/ACTIVITIES

No teacher shall give instruction, nor shall a school District sponsor any activity that reflects adversely upon persons because of their race, sex, color, creed, national origin, or ancestry. (EC 51500)

No textbook or other instructional materials shall be adopted by the Governing Board for use in the public schools that contains any matter reflecting adversely upon persons because of their race, sex, color, creed, or national origin or ancestry. (EC 51501)

Except as to textbooks approved by the state board or a county board of education, no bulletin, circular, or publication may be used as the basis of study or recitation or to supplement the regular school studies if the material contained in the bulletin, circular, or publication has been disapproved by the Governing Board of the school District in which the school is situated. (EC 51510)

Nothing in this code shall be construed to prevent, or exclude from the public schools, references to religion or references to or the use of religious literature, art, or music or other things having a religious significance when such references or uses do not constitute instruction in religious principles or aid to any religious sect, church, creed, or sectarian purpose and when such references or uses are incidental to or illustrative of matters properly included in the course of study. (EC 51511)

The use by any person, including a pupil, of any electronic listening, transmitting or recording device (eg. pagers, cellular telephones, etc.) in any classroom without the prior consent of the teacher and the principal given to promote an educational purpose disrupts and impairs the teaching process and discipline in the schools, is prohibited. Any person, other than a pupil, who willfully violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Any pupil violating this section shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

During school hours, and within one hour before the time of opening and within one hour after the time of closing of school, pupils shall not be solicited on school premises by teachers or others to subscribe or contribute to the funds of, to become members of, or to work for, any organization not directly under the control of the school authorities, unless the organization is a nonpartisan, charitable organization, the purpose of the solicitation is nonpartisan and charitable, and the solicitation has been approved by the Governing Board.

Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the solicitation of pupils of the public school on school premises by pupils of that school for any otherwise lawful purpose. (EC 51520)

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No person shall solicit any other person to contribute to any fund or to purchase any item of personal property, upon the representation that the money received is to be used wholly or in part for the benefit of any public school or the student body of any public school, unless such person obtains the prior written approval of the Governing Board.

The prohibitions of this section shall not apply with respect to any solicitation or contribution the total proceeds of which are delivered to a public school. (EC 51521)

No instructional materials shall be adopted by any Governing Board for use in the schools which, in its determination, contains:

- 1. Any matter reflecting adversely upon persons because of their race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex or occupation.
- 2. Any sectarian or denominational doctrine or propaganda contrary to law. (EC 60044)

Legal Reference:

Education Code

51500 et seq. Prejudices, prohibited materials, solicitation, advocacy or teaching of communism

60044 Prohibited instructional materials

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