

**SITE SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT**

The Governing Board believes that an adequate school site should serve the district's educational needs in accordance with the district's master plan and also show potential for contributing to other community needs.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish a site selection process which includes all investigations required by law and ensures that the best possible sites are acquired and developed at the least expense.

Before acquiring property for a new school or an addition to an existing school site, the Board shall evaluate the property using state site selection standards.

*Legal Reference: (see next page)*

**SITE SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT (continued)**

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

17006 *Definition of self-certifying district*  
17024 *Prior written approval of CDE for selection of school site or construction of building*  
17070.10-17077.10 *Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998*  
17210-17224 *General provisions (school sites)*  
17240-17245 *New Schools Relief Act*  
17250.20-17250.35 *Design-build contracts*  
17251-17253 *Powers concerning buildings and building sites*  
17260-17268 *Plans*  
17280-17317 *Approvals*  
17565-17592.5 *Board duties re management and control of school property*  
35271 *Power to acquire and construct on adjacent property*  
35275 *New school planning and design, re consultation with local recreation and park authorities*

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

1263.710-1263.770 *Remediation of hazardous substances on property to be acquired by school district*

GOVERNMENT CODE

53094 *Authority to render zoning ordinances inapplicable*  
65402 *Acquisition or disposition of property*  
65995-65997 *Developer fees*  
66455.9 *Written notices of proposed public school site within development; investigation and report; conditions for acquisition*

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

44360 *Risk assessment*

PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

21000-21177 *Implementation of Environmental Quality Act*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

14001-14036 *Minimum standards*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 14

15000-15209 *Review and evaluation of EIRs and negative declarations*

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

82 *Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 130 (1999)*

*Management Resources:*

WEB SITES

CDE, School Facilities Planning Division: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/dmsbranch/sfpdiv>  
Office of Public School Construction: <http://www.opsc.dgs.ca.gov/>

