Note: Descriptions below identify revisions made to CSBA's sample board policies, administrative regulations, board bylaws, and/or exhibits. Editorial changes have also been made. Districts and county offices of education should review the sample materials and modify their own policies accordingly.

BP/AR 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan
(BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to delete the section on "Technical Assistance/Intervention," as that material is now addressed in BP 0520 - Intervention for Underperforming Schools. Paragraph added to generally address actions that may be taken whenever a school or a numerically significant student subgroup is not making sufficient progress toward the goals in the local control and accountability plan (LCAP). Regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 1240)** which adds, as a measure of student achievement, the percentage of students who have successfully completed both college entrance courses and career technical education courses.

BP 0520 - Intervention for Underperforming Schools
(BP added)

New policy contains material formerly in BP 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan regarding interventions to support the continuous improvement of student performance within the priorities identified in the district's LCAP. Paragraph added to reference interventions that will be provided to schools identified by the California Department of Education (CDE) for comprehensive support and improvement (CSI), targeted support and improvement (TSI), and additional targeted support and improvement (ATSI).

BP 0520.1 - Comprehensive and Targeted Support and Improvement
(BP added)

New policy addresses the state's accountability system, developed in response to federal Title I requirements, to provide interventions to schools identified by CDE for CSI, TSI, or ATSI. Policy includes criteria for the identification of schools, requirements for a school improvement plan, and actions to be taken if implementation of the school plan is unsuccessful after a specified period of years.

BP 1431 - Waivers
(BP revised)

Policy updated to add the requirement, when submitting a general waiver request to the State Board of Education, to include a written summary of any objections to the request by school site councils or advisory committees, as applicable. Policy adds the requirement that a request pertaining to a regional occupational center or program operated by a joint powers agency be submitted as a joint waiver request with other participating districts. Policy reflects guidance in CDE's General Waiver Instructions regarding proper notice for a public hearing on a waiver request proposal.

BP/AR 3515 - Campus Security
(BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to clarify that audio capability of surveillance equipment should be disabled in accordance with state law prohibiting the recording of conversations unless the parties to the conversation may reasonably expect that the communication may be overheard or recorded, and to reflect a National Institute of Justice recommendation that signage state that the district's surveillance system may or may not be actively monitored. Regulation adds section on "Locks" reflecting requirement for state-funded new construction projects, as well as certain modernization projects, to include locks that allow classroom doors to be locked from the inside. Regulation also adds strategies to increase adult presence and supervision on campus and to provide staff training in emergency response.

AR 4117.7/4317.7 - Employment Status Reports
(AR revised)

Regulation updated pursuant to Education Code 44940 to include a violation or attempted violation of Penal Code 187 (murder) in the definition of a "mandatory leave of absence offense."

BP 4119.24/4219.24/4319.24 - Maintaining Appropriate Adult-Student Interactions

(BP added)

New policy addresses the avoidance of unlawful and inappropriate interactions between staff and students, an employee's responsibility to report another employee's violation of this policy, disciplinary consequences for staff, referral to law enforcement when appropriate, the requirement to post the code of conduct on school and/or district websites, and examples of conduct that are inappropriate or can create the appearance of impropriety.

BP/AR 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action

(BP added; AR revised)

New policy contains material formerly in AR pertaining to board actions in disciplinary hearings for classified employees and new material consistent with BP 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action for certificated employees. Policy also reflects **NEW LAW (AB 2234, 2018)** which requires the board to delegate its authority to an administrative law judge in cases involving allegations of egregious misconduct with a minor. Regulation updates and consolidates the causes for disciplinary action. Regulation also adds the requirement to set a timeline by which the employee may request a hearing, which must be not less than five days after serving notice upon the employee. Section on "Compulsory Leave of Absence" expanded to define "mandatory" and "optional" leave of absence offenses and reflect requirements pertaining to extension of the leave and compensation during the leave. Material pertaining to merit system districts moved to BP/AR 4218.1 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action (Merit System).

BP/AR 4218.1 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action (Merit System)

(BP/AR added)

New policy and regulation address requirements for disciplinary proceedings for classified employees in merit system districts. BP/AR contain material formerly in AR 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action, and new material consistent with BP/AR 4218 and BP/AR 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action for certificated employees. Policy also reflects **NEW LAW (AB 2234, 2018)** which requires the personnel commission to delegate its authority to an administrative law judge in cases involving allegations of egregious misconduct with a minor.

BP 5131 - Conduct

(BP revised)

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 272)** which authorizes boards to limit or prohibit, except under specified circumstances, student use of smartphones while at school or while under the supervision and control of a district employee. Details regarding student use of mobile communication devices moved to BP 5131.8 - Mobile Communication Devices.

BP 5131.8 - Mobile Communication Devices

(BP added)

New policy reflects **NEW LAW (AB 272)** which authorizes boards to limit or prohibit student use of smartphones while at school or while under the supervision and control of a district employee, except under specified circumstances (i.e., in an emergency, with permission of teacher or administrator, when directed by student's health care provider, when required by student's individualized education program). Policy also addresses reasonable search of students' mobile communication devices, employees' authority to confiscate a device, and discipline for off-campus use of a mobile communication device which poses a threat of danger to the safety of students, staff, or district property or substantially disrupts school activities.

BP 5132 - Dress and Grooming
(BP revised)

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (SB 188)** which prohibits discrimination against traits historically associated with race, including hair texture and "protective hairstyles" such as braids, locks, and twists.

AR 5141.26 - Tuberculosis Testing
(AR revised)

Regulation updated to reflect guidance from the California Department of Public Health and the Child Health and Disability Prevention office of the California Department of Health Care Services clarifying that the health screening for school entry includes testing for tuberculosis only when required by the local health department. Regulation also reflects law authorizing parents/guardians to submit a signed waiver indicating that they do not want or are unable to obtain the health screening for their child.

BP/AR 5142 - Safety
(BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to add the district's responsibility to provide for the proper supervision of students during before- and after-school programs, morning drop-off at school, and afternoon pick-up and to provide for appropriate student instruction in emergency procedures. Policy adds section reflecting the requirement to print safety hotline numbers on student identification cards for students in grades 7-12, including the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and, pursuant to **NEW LAW (SB 316)**, the National Domestic Violence Hotline. Regulation updated to add communication of school rules to students, the responsibility of individuals supervising students to remain alert for unauthorized persons, and the requirement for inspection of new playgrounds by a certified safety inspector. Regulation also updates the list of activities with safety risks in accordance with the legal definition of "hazardous recreational activity" and prohibits any such activity unless it is properly supervised, students wear protective gear as appropriate, and participants have insurance coverage. Section on "Laboratory Safety" expanded to include student instruction in safety procedures, proper handling of hazardous materials and bloodborne pathogens, and accessibility of emergency information and first aid supplies.

BP/AR 7140 - Architectural and Engineering Services
(BP/AR revised)

Policy updated to clarify the district's responsibility to select a licensed architect and/or structural engineer as required by law when professional design services are used for construction or modernization of school facilities and to address the need to comply with state safety and design standards. Policy adds the general duties of the architect and/or structural engineer and the circumstances under which design specifications must be submitted to CDE and the Division of the State Architect. Regulation updates the components of the selection process to more directly reflect law and adds the district's authority, if negotiations with the most qualified firm are unsuccessful, to negotiate a contract with the second most qualified firm and then the third most qualified firm. Regulation also includes the option to award a contract to a single entity for both the design and construction of a school facility in excess of $1 million ("design build" contract).

BB 9323 - Meeting Conduct
(BB revised)

Bylaw updated to clarify circumstances under which the board may exercise flexibility in allocating time for public input to ensure full opportunity for public input and presentation of the diversity of viewpoints.