Mobile Communication Devices

CVUSD Board Policy 5131.8

Search and Seizure

CVUSD Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.12

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Purpose

- Review the central elements of the new Mobile Communication Devices Board Policy 5131.8
- Review the updates to Search and Seizure Board Policy 5145.12
- Question and Answer

Mobile Communication Devices

- Brand new policy reflecting Assembly Bill 272
- Existing CVUSD BP/AR 5131 Conduct addresses mobile communications
- Students can use mobile communication devices during non-instructional time if in accordance with law and school site rules
- Devices should be turned off and/or silent during instructional time
- A student shall not be prohibited from possessing or using a mobile communication device under any of the following circumstances:
 - In the case of an emergency, or in response to a perceived threat of danger
 - When a teacher or administrator grants permission to the student to possess or use a mobile communication device
 - When a licensed physician or surgeon determines that the possession or use is necessary for the student's health and well-being
 - When the possession or use is required by the student's individualized education program
- Procedures to search a student's mobile device align with updated policies on Search & Seizure

Search & Seizure Update

- Staff who conduct a search and seizure are provided training regarding Board Policy, Administrative Regulations and legal requirements
- The search is "limited in scope"
- CVUSD clarified "employee" conducting the search to be school or district administrators
 - Unless there is imminent threat of safety for students or staff
- Introduction of "mobile communication devices"
- Removal of "unannounced" search of student lockers and student desks

Questions?