TITLE: 2022-2023 SY Parent Student Handbook Distribution

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PURPOSE: The California Education Code 51101 mandates that school districts annually notify K-12 students and their parents or legal guardians about their rights and responsibilities relative to the code’s statutory provisions.

Los Angeles Unified publishes the Parent Student Handbook annually to ensure compliance and consistency and to relieve schools of the responsibility of gathering and duplicating required notices. The handbook contains state mandated notifications and forms for parents or legal guardians to sign and return relative to receipt of the document and the release of student information.

MAJOR CHANGES: This revision replaces MEM-5497.10 2021-2022 SY Parent Student Handbook Distribution, dated November 12, 2021.

INSTRUCTIONS: The following are guidelines in distributing and requesting additional copies of the Handbook:

DELIVERY/DISTRIBUTION

While electronic copies of handbooks have been posted on the District’s website since August 12, 2022, handbooks and supplemental forms in English and Spanish were delivered to schools between August 15 and 26, 2022. Armenian, Chinese, and Korean copies were delivered between September 19 and 30, 2022. All schools are required to distribute the Parent Student Handbook annually to all students. Please attach the cover letter (Attachment A - Sample Letter in English and/or Attachment B - Sample Letter in Spanish) when sending out the handbooks.

The Handbook is printed in 9½ x 7 size books in black and white. The forms and information are printed separately in an 8½ x 11 size handbook and include the following forms:

1. Parent Student Acknowledgement Form
2. Information Release Form
3. Notice of Privacy Practices  
4. Parent/Guardian Publicity Authorization and Release  
5. Annual Pesticide Notification Form  
6. Approved Pesticide List  
7. School Climate Bill of Rights – Elementary  
8. School Climate Bill of Rights – Secondary  

Copies of the Handbook are delivered to schools based on the enrollment data provided by the Office of Data and Accountability. They will be available in English/Spanish (combined), Armenian, Chinese, and Korean languages.

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBILITY

Principals are required to certify online through the Principal’s Portal-Administrator Certification System that the distribution of the Parent/Student Handbooks have been completed by the due date.

Principals should certify the distribution of the handbook in the Non-Discrimination and Sexual Harassment Policy Section of the Administrator Certification System that may be accessed through the Principal’s Portal at: https://principalportal.lausd.net or through the Office of District Operations website.

As part of the certification, schools are required to collect and keep on file all parent forms that require response and signature to be submitted to the school. The completed and signed Parent Student Acknowledgement Form must be kept on file at the school for a period of three (3) years in a central location with timely access to specific student information.

REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL COPIES

If a school does not receive sufficient copies of the handbook during the initial delivery, an online ordering process must be completed through www.lausdrepro.net.

Requests for additional handbooks in excess of 200 copies will be reviewed and verified with the student enrollment data of the requesting school before the order is processed. Requests for additional copies will be processed through December 2022.

ONLINE POSTING AND AVAILABILITY

The 2022-2023 SY electronic versions of the Parent Student Handbook and Forms were uploaded on August 12, 2022, at the Office of District Operations website.

ASSISTANCE:

For assistance or information, please contact the Office of District Operations at (213) 241-5337.
(DATE)

Dear Parent/Guardian

The 2022-2023 Parent Student Handbook is being sent home with your child to notify you of your rights and responsibilities under California Education Code 51101. Together with this handbook are several important forms that you need to read, complete, sign, and return to the school. An electronic copy of the handbook and forms are also available at the Office of the District Operations website at: https://achieve.lausd.net/districtoperations.

By completing and returning these forms to your child’s school, you communicate how you want the school staff to support your child. In some cases, schools need information from parents before they can act; please help us better serve your child by providing clear directions.

It is important that we receive these forms back completed and signed by (add return date) so we can assist you and your child.

We hope this information is helpful to you and your child. Should you have questions or need more information, please feel free to call the school at (add school’s telephone number).

Sincerely,

(Add principal’s name)
Principal
Apéndice B

(Membrete de la escuela)

Ejemplo de carta para padres/tutores

(Fecha)

Estimado Padre/Tutor:

El 2022-2023 Manual para Padres de Familia y Estudiantes (Parent Student Handbook) se está enviando a casa con su hijo(a) para notificarle sus derechos y responsabilidades de acuerdo con lo que dispone el Código de Educación de California 51101. Con este manual se incluyen varios formularios importantes que debe leer, completar, firmar, y devolver a la escuela. El manual y los formularios también están disponibles en formato electrónico en el sitio web de la Oficina de Operaciones del Distrito https://achieve.lausd.net/districtoperations.

Al completar y devolver estos formularios a la escuela de su hijo(a), puede comunicar cómo desea que el personal de la escuela ayude y apoye a su hijo(a). En algunos casos, las escuelas necesitan información de los padres antes de poder actuar; por favor ayúdenos a proporcionarle los servicios a su hijo(a) dándonos instrucciones claras.

Es importante que regrese estos formularios completados y firmados antes de (agregue la fecha para devolverlos) de manera que podamos ayudarlo mejor a usted y a su hijo(a).

Esperamos que esta información sea útil para usted y su hijo(a). Si tiene preguntas o necesita más información, no dude en llamar a la escuela al (agregue el número de teléfono de la escuela).

Sinceramente,

(Agregar el nombre del director)
Principal