

CVUSD

Administrative Regulation

AR 4117.7

Personnel

Employment Status Reports

***Note: Education Code 44030.5 and 44242.5, as added and amended by AB 449 (Ch. 232, Statutes of 2013), and 5 CCR 80303, as amended by Register 2014, No. 14, require the Superintendent to make a report to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) when the employment status of a certificated employee has been changed as a result of alleged misconduct or while an allegation of misconduct is pending. Upon notification by the district or other specified agencies, the CTC may conduct a review and take an adverse action against the certificated employee, including, but not limited to, suspension or revocation of the credential.

Pursuant to 5 CCR 80303, the report must be made regardless of any proposed or actual agreement, settlement, or stipulation between the district and the employee not to make such a report. The report must also be made if the allegations are withdrawn in consideration of the employee's resignation, retirement, or other failure to contest the truth of the allegations.

Pursuant to Education Code 44030.5 and 5 CCR 80303, as amended, the Superintendent's failure to make the report of the change in employment status or to notify the affected employee of the contents of 5 CCR 80303 would be considered unprofessional conduct and, if it is determined that the Superintendent refused or willingly neglected to make the report, he/she may be found guilty of a misdemeanor and fined.

Within 30 days of any change in the employment status of a credential holder working in a position requiring a credential made as a result of an allegation of misconduct, the Superintendent shall report the change to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The report shall be made whenever one of the following actions is taken as a result of alleged misconduct: (Education Code 44030.5, 44242.5; 5 CCR 80303)

1. Is dismissed or nonreelected

(cf. 4116 – Probationary/Permanent Status)
(cf. 4117.4 - Dismissal)
(cf. 4117.6 - Decision Not to Rehire)

2. Resigns

(cf. 4117.2 – Resignation)

3. Is suspended or placed on unpaid administrative leave for more than 10 days as a final adverse employment

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

4. Retires

5. Is otherwise terminated by a decision not to employ or reemploy

(cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 – Professional Standards)

(cf. 5141.4 – Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

***Note: Although the term "alleged misconduct" is not defined in the law, conduct affecting classroom safety, student safety or the integrity of the school environment, according to the CTC is the type of misconduct that must be reported. ***

***Note: Pursuant to Education Code 44030.5 and 44242.5, as added and amended by AB 449 (Ch. 232, Statutes of 2013), a change in employment status due solely to unsatisfactory performance or a reduction in force does not require a report to the CTC.

The report shall be made regardless of any proposed or actual agreement, settlement or stipulation between the district and the employee not to make such a report. The report shall also be made if the allegations are withdrawn in consideration of the employee's resignation, retirement or other failure to contest the truth of the allegations. (5 CCR 80303)

This report is not required when the change in employment status is due solely to unsatisfactory performance pursuant to Education Code 44932 or a reduction in force pursuant to Education Code 44955-44958. (Education Code 44030.5, 44242.5; 5 CCR 80303)

(cf. 4115 – Evaluation/Supervision)

(cf. 4117.3 – Personnel Reduction)

5 CCR 80303, as amended, describes the contents that must be included in the report. The report should be made using a notification form available on the CTC's web site and attaching relevant documents, evidence, and materials related to the district's investigation of the misconduct.

When required, the report of a change in employment status shall be submitted not later than 30 days after the employment action. The report shall be made using a form provided by the CTC and shall include all known information about each alleged act of misconduct by the employee. The report shall contain the name and current address of the certificated employee, name of the district, last school or district assignment, an explanation of the allegation of misconduct or pending allegation of misconduct, and any and all documentation related to the case. (Education Code 44030.5; 5 CCR 80303)

Upon a change in employment status as a result of alleged misconduct or while an allegation of misconduct is pending, the Superintendent shall, in writing, inform the employee of the contents of 5 CCR 80303. (5 CCR 80303)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 – Employee Notifications)

Additional Reports of Employee Misconduct

The Superintendent or designee shall submit a report to the CTC, using a form provided by the CTC and attaching all relevant documents, whenever:

1. An employee, by complaint, information, or indictment filed in court, is charged with a “mandatory leave of absence offense,” defined as a sex or drug offense specified in Education Code 44940. (Education Code 44242.5, 44940, 44940.5)

Not later than 10 days after receipt of such a complaint, information, or indictment regarding an employee, the Superintendent or designee shall forward a copy of the received documents to the CTC. In addition, he/she shall report to the CTC any action taken in connection with extending the employee’s mandatory leave beyond the initial period. (Education Code 44940, 44940.5)

If the offense results in a change in employment status, the Superintendent shall submit an employment status report in addition to the report of the mandatory leave of absence offense.

2. An employee refuses, without good cause, to fulfill a valid employment contract, or departs from district service without the consent of the Superintendent or Governing Board. (Education Code 44242.5, 44420)

Notice of Other Violations

The Superintendent or designee may notify the Commission on Teacher Credentialing of any of the following: (Education Code 44242.5)

1. A complaint received by the district regarding a credential holder's alleged sexual misconduct

The notice shall contain all of the following information: (5 CCR 80304)

- a. Name of the employee alleged to have engaged in the sexual misconduct
- b. Name, age and address of each victim of the alleged sexual misconduct
- c. A summary of all information known to the district regarding the alleged sexual misconduct
- d. A summary of the action, if any, taken at the district level in response to the complaint of sexual misconduct

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

***Note: SB 299 (Ch. 342, Statutes of 2001) amended Education Code 44242.5 to add items #2-4 below. A fifth violation added to Education Code 44242.5, subversion or attempted subversion of any licensing examination, applies to administrators of licensing examinations only and is not included below. ***

2. Refusal, without good cause, to fulfill a valid employment contract, or departure from district service without the consent of the Superintendent or Board (Education Code 44420)
3. Knowing and willful use of student records in connection with, or in implicit or explicit attempts to recruit a student to be a customer for, any business owned by the credential holder or in which the credential holder is an employee (Education Code 44421.1)
4. Knowing and willful reporting of false fiscal expenditure data relative to the conduct of any educational program (Education Code 44421.5)
5. An employee's subversion or attempt to subvert any licensing examination or the administration of an examination (Education Code 44242.5, 44439)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

44009 Conviction of specified crimes
44010 Sex offense, definitions
44011 Controlled substance offense, definitions
44030.5 Employment status reports
44225 Powers and duties of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing
44242.5 Reports and review of alleged misconduct
44420-44440 Adverse actions by CTC against credential holder
44932 Causes for dismissal
44940 Sex offenses and narcotic offenses; compulsory leave of absence
44940.5 Compulsory leave of absence
44955-44958 Reduction in force

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

80303 Reports of change in employment status, alleged misconduct
80304 Notice of sexual misconduct

Management Resources:

COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING PUBLICATIONS

California's Laws and Rules Pertaining to the Discipline of Professional Certificated Personnel, 2013

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

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