

CVUSD

Board Policy

BP 7132

Facilities

Placement of Wireless Telecommunication Towers

The Board of Education of Conejo Valley Unified School District places the highest priority on protecting the health and safety of students. There is considerable debate and uncertainty within the scientific community as to the potential health effects to individuals, especially children, from exposure to radio frequency emissions including emissions from wireless telecommunication towers (cell towers). A wide variety of scientific and public interest organizations have called for additional research to determine short and long term effects.

In the absence of conclusive data, many organizations, including the California State PTA, have urged public agencies to adopt the precautionary principle, which states that in the absence of proof that something is safe, it is better to err on the side of caution and avoid exposure. With this principle in mind, the Board of Education prohibits the placement of cell towers on District property.

In addition, the Board of Education urges local public agencies to provide timely notification to the District when considering applications for the placement of new cell towers within 1500 feet of school sites. Upon receipt of the notification, District staff will immediately notify the school's staff and parents of the proposal.

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