

Downey Unified School District

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CAMPUS DISTURBANCES

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School principals will make every reasonable effort to establish effective communication lines between students, parents, teachers, administrators, the general community, and other public and private agencies. Avenues for the expression of grievances, complaints, and compliments will be utilized by all parties, in behalf of the orderly process of education.

In the event that, despite building-level efforts to reach a mutually satisfactory solution to any problem, a campus disturbance* results by forces or persons from within or without the school campus, the following process shall be activated. The decision regarding employment of this procedure and the step at which it shall be implemented rests at all times with the school principal or higher education and community authority.

1. Establish a School Crisis Intervention plan with staff responsibilities clearly defined.
2. Assign administrators or other authorized persons special areas for their immediate supervision and appoint teachers to each administrator according to their conference periods at the secondary level, so that all areas shall be monitored on short notice. In the event of a disturbance teachers and administrators are to remain in their assigned areas even though there may be no disorder immediately nearby. The major effort of area supervisors shall be aimed at dispersing groups or directing students to regular classes. Those who refuse to attend class or disperse shall be directed (in certain cases taken) to the office, where parents will be called to pick them up. Students who openly defy all efforts to relocate them or redirect their actions shall be subject to arrest by the Police Department.
3. Call the Superintendent or designee to convey information or request action.

*Campus Disturbance - any unrelenting person, persons, influence, activity, or agency whose presence, in the opinion of the school principal, disrupts the orderly process of education, or endangers the safety or well being of any student or other person or property having legitimate business in or on the school site.

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4. Calls for additional help shall be placed with the appropriate law enforcement agency. Nearby school administrators shall be notified if necessary when the principal's analysis of the situation is complete.

DOWNEY POLICE DEPARTMENT - 861-0771 or 911

LAKEWOOD SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - 623-3500

DOWNEY HIGH - Call East (3-586), Sussman (3-572), Warren (5600)

WARREN HIGH - Call Griffiths (3-580), West (3-565), Sussman (3-572), Downey (5300)

EAST MIDDLE - Call Downey (5300), Sussman (3-572), Warren (5600)

GRIFFITHS MIDDLE - Call West (3-565), Warren (5600), Downey (5300)

SUSSMAN MIDDLE - Call East (3-586), Warren (5600), Downey (5300)

WEST MIDDLE - Call Sussman (3-572), Warren (5600), Downey (5300)

COLUMBUS - Call Downey (5300), Warren (5600)

ADULT SCHOOL - Call Downey Police Department (861-0771) or 911

5. In all cases where the disturbance is not initiated or supported by students of the affected school, Downey Police Department assistance shall be requested and the District Office notified immediately.
6. In cases of implementation of this policy, the Superintendent or designee shall be notified directly.

Loitering and/or Picketing

Depending upon the magnitude and urgency of the problem, school principals should feel free to employ the aforementioned procedures in the event of violations of loitering laws which disrupt the orderly process of daily school affairs.