

PAYMENT FOR LOST OR DAMAGED PROPERTY

The Board of Education recognizes that district property provided for student use is an expensive resource.

Property provided for student use, includes:

1. Instructional Materials
2. Library and Other Media Materials
3. Uniforms

Students are responsible for returning borrowed property in good condition, with no more wear and tear than usually results from normal use. When borrowed property is lost or damaged, students are responsible for the cost of lost or damaged property, regardless of where or how the loss or damage occurred.

When property is lost or so damaged that it is no longer usable, the student shall be responsible for reparation equal to the current replacement cost of the materials.

When materials are damaged but still usable, the Superintendent or designee shall determine a lesser charge.

The assessment and collection of costs is the responsibility of the school principal. If it can be demonstrated to the principal's satisfaction that the student has taken all reasonable precautions to safeguard property issued to the student, the principal may excuse the student/parent/guardian from payment.

If reparation is not excused and not paid by the student or parent/guardian,

1. The student's grades, diploma and transcripts will be withheld
2. The student will be ineligible to participate in extra-curricular activities
3. The student will be ineligible to participate in fund-raising activities

Records of transfer students, which have been withheld from the student by another district, will be withheld from the student by Vacaville Unified School District in accordance with the provisions of Education Code 48904.3.

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Upon request, the records of students transferring from the Vacaville Unified School District will be sent to the receiving school with written notification of incurred indebtedness, asking that the student's records continue to be withheld until they receive confirmation that the debt has been cleared.

Legal References

EDUCATION CODE

48904 Willful misconduct; limit of liability of parent or guardian

48904.3 Withholding grades, diplomas or transcripts of pupils causing property damage or injury; transfer of pupils to new school districts; notice to rescind decision to withhold

60411 Purchase and use; property of district

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

305 Pupil responsible for care of property