



Parent / Student Handbook 2026-2027

**The Cinnabar School Community welcomes
you and your contribution in working together to make
great things happen for our students.**

Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be Responsible

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Cinnabar Contact Information and Directory

School Website: www.cinnabar.org

Facebook: Cinnabar School District

The facebook & website are available anytime with information, contacts, and a variety of documents and forms for your use. You may also contact us by phone at (707) 765-4345.

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CINNABAR SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE

Time	TK/Kindergarten
8:25 - 10:00	Instruction
10:00 - 10:15	Recess
10:15 - 12:00	Instruction
12:00 - 12:45	Lunch and Recess
12:45 - 2:00	Instructional Time
Time	Grades 1 - 6
8:25 - 10:25	Instruction
10:25 - 10:40	Recess
10:40 - 12:15	Instruction
12:15 - 1:00	Lunch and Recess
1:00 - 3:00	Instruction

Campus supervision is available at 8:00 a.m. each morning.

***School begins at 8:25 each day for ALL students,
so please have your students in line on the blacktop at 8:20.***

**Every Wednesday is a minimum day – school ends at
12:45 p.m. for TK & Kindergarten
1:30 p.m. for 1st-6th grades**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
TK & Kindergarten end at 2:00 p.m.
Grades 1 – 6 end at 3:00 p.m.

Cinnabar Mission Statement: *The Cinnabar School family of staff, students, parents, and community, building on its tradition of excellence, discipline and community involvement, seek to create a safe, stimulating environment which prepares our students to function effectively as lifelong learners and responsible citizens.*



Introduction

The Cinnabar Elementary School District is a single school district and charter school. Cinnabar Charter and Elementary School serves approximately 130 students in grades TK-6, with grades K through 6 designated as a charter school. The school and district were established in 1859 for the purpose of serving the children who lived mostly on farms just north of Petaluma. While some of the children today live on ranches, most live in homes that would be considered suburban. We currently have 9 classroom teachers, all of whom are experienced and highly qualified. We have a full-time educational specialist that instructs our special education students, our English language learners and students who require interventions in reading and math. We also have a part-time physical education teacher, and a Director of Technology that coordinates our school's 1:1 technology (a device for each student). Our staff includes a librarian, a custodian, a food service worker, and a maintenance/groundskeeper. The office staff includes a bilingual office assistant, executive administrative assistant, and a business office Chief Business Officer (CBO). We also employ a nurse part-time. Finally, we have a parent teacher organization, CEF (Cinnabar Educational Foundation), a School Site Council (SSC), and an English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC).

Make a Difference! Be a Volunteer!

We are always looking for school volunteers. We want parents, family members and others from our community to be part of the Cinnabar School community. Please check with the office regarding our volunteer procedures. There are also positions on the School Site Council, the English Learner Advisory Committee, and the Cinnabar Educational Foundation.



Parent Involvement Policy

BP 6020

The Cinnabar School Board of Trustees recognizes that parents/guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers and that continued parental involvement in the education of children contributes greatly to student achievement and conduct. Parents/guardians can directly affect academic success by reinforcing their children's motivation and commitment to education. The District shall include parent involvement strategies as a component of instructional planning. Teachers and parents/guardians can better understand and meet the student's needs if they work together. Our school has a duty to communicate frequently with the home and to help parents/guardians develop skills and family management techniques that support classroom learning. Administrators and teachers should keep parents/guardians well-informed about school expectations and advise them when and how they can assist their children in support of classroom learning activities.

The Board encourages parents/guardians to serve as volunteers in the school and to attend student performances and school meetings.

Cinnabar School shows its commitment to this policy by establishing the following:

Board Policy

To answer the needs of the local community, provide ways to support parents in working with their children, build consistent and effective communication between the home and the school, train teachers and administrators in effective ways of communicating with parents, and to integrate parent involvement programs as part of the school's master plan for academic accountability the Board of Trustees shall create board policy.

Further, as a Title 1 school, Cinnabar recognizes the following:

- A procedure to ensure Title 1 parents are consulted and participate in the planning, design, and implementation of Cinnabar's Title 1 program.
- Regular and periodic programs throughout the school year that provide for training, instruction, and information on all of the following:
 - ✓ Parent's ability to directly affect the success of their children's learning through the support they give their children both at home and at school;
 - ✓ Home activities, strategies, and materials that can be used to assist and enhance the learning of children both at home and at school;
 - ✓ Parenting skills that assist parents in understanding how to provide positive discipline and build healthy relationships with their children;
 - ✓ The ability to develop consistent and effective communication between the school and the parent/guardian concerning the progress of the children in school and concerning school programs;
 - ✓ An annual statement identifying the specific objectives of the program;
 - ✓ An annual review and assessment of the program's progress in meeting those objectives;
 - ✓ Parents/guardians shall be made aware of the existence of this review and assessment through regular school communication mechanisms and shall be given a copy upon the parent's request.

School Site Council (SSC)

The Cinnabar School Site Council (SSC) has a number of responsibilities outlined in numerous California Education Code Sections, as well as in the Cinnabar Elementary School District Board Policy 0420. It is composed of parents, staff and administration, chosen by their constituent groups. The Site Council's purpose is the development and improvement of Federal Categorical Programs and State Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). A categorical program is one in which the State or Federal government provides funds for specific endeavors within the school and supplements the school or district's general funding. Categorical funds at Cinnabar School and in the Cinnabar Elementary School District support the funding of teacher aides, the English Language Development program, and computer-based interventions and enrichment programs. SSC updates the Single School District Plan each year to guide school improvement and spending in categorical programs. SSC also annually reviews state test scores and gives input on the district's and charter's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). This group updates other school wide plans such as Title 1 Plan, Safe School Plan, Facilities Improvement Plan and Technology Plan.

English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)

Requirement: Each California public school, grades kindergarten through 12, with 21 or more English learners must form an English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC).

Responsibilities:

The ELAC shall be responsible for advising the principal and staff on programs and services for English learners and the School Site Council on the development of the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) and LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan).

The ELAC shall assist the school in the development of: the school's needs assessment, the school's annual language census, and ways to make parents aware of the importance of regular school attendance.

ELAC Composition and Elections Requirements include:

Parents of English learners comprise at least the same percentage of the ELAC membership as English learners constitute of the school's total student population. For example, if 25 percent of the students in a school are English learners, then parents/guardians of English learners must comprise 25 percent of the ELAC membership.

Other members of the ELAC can be parents/guardians, school staff, and/or community members as long as the minimum percentage requirement for EL parents is maintained.

Cinnabar ELAC meets four times a year. Our three ELAC meetings are open to all who would like to attend. These are important informational meetings about our educational programs for our English Language Learners. The meetings provide time for families to give input on our procedures, policies, and programs. ELAC also reviews and gives important insight and input for our LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan). There is an ELAC parent representative that serves on the School Site Council.

Cinnabar Educational Foundation (CEF)



Cinnabar School has an educational foundation with a board and members that include school board members, teachers, parents and community members. CEF is our school's PTO (Parent & Teacher Organization) and has a long tradition of serving Cinnabar's students. There are no membership dues and everyone is welcome to attend the monthly board meetings. In addition, there are many opportunities to volunteer throughout the year on committees or simply volunteer at one of our community events. Read the Cinnabar newsletter to find out how to get involved and keep up with the many CEF activities that involve families and support students.

Attendance and Absences

Regular attendance is essential for successful student achievement. **Students are expected to be at school on time every day.** By law, absences are only excused due to illness, medical/dental appointments, or death of immediate family members. Other reasons for absences are not excused. Absences will result in lower student achievement. We cannot ensure learning for a student who is not at school.

Please call the school office before 8:45 a.m. at (707)765-4345 on the day your child is absent. We need to know the **date and the reason** for the absence. All **absences must be verified** or the absence is considered unexcused. If we do not hear from you, we may contact you at home or work.

Students Leaving During School Hours: If you need to pick up your child during the school day, send a note to your child's teacher then, **come to the office** to sign him or her out, in the **"Student Sign Out Log"** on the counter. A staff member will get your child from class; please do not go to your child's classroom. Upon returning to school please check back in at the office and have your child obtain a pass before he or she returns to the classroom.

Importance of Regular School Attendance

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways to prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. Our Cinnabar teachers work diligently to plan lessons for each school day that teach students important concepts and skills. When students miss all or part of a school day, they miss important learning opportunities. By prioritizing regular school attendance, you can prepare your children for a lifetime of success.

Here are some ways you can support your students' positive attendance:

- Plan vacations during non-school days.
- When possible, schedule your child's medical and dental appointments outside of school hours.
- Make sure your child attends school every day unless he/she is ill or observing a major religious holiday.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to maximize student learning through regular school attendance. We aim to work in partnership with you—parents and guardians—to provide our students with every opportunity to participate fully in school!

Absences:

State law funds districts based on the daily attendance of students. This makes attendance at school important for the consistency of the educational experience of our children as well as for funding purposes. Parents/Guardians must contact the school to report absences (707)765-4345. Students who are sick should stay home.

Excused Absences:

Students who are sick should stay home. Students with a temperature over 100° F or who have experienced flu-like symptoms, including vomiting and/or diarrhea, need to be free of symptoms for 24 hours, and fever reducing medication free, before returning to school. California Education Code section 48205 determines which absences can be considered excused; all other absences are unexcused. Applicable excused absences for students in grades TK-6 are as follows:

- Illness (Please review [CDPH Guidelines for Illnesses: When to Keep Your Child Home from School](#)), including absence to benefit the student's mental or behavioral health.
- Quarantine under county health officer
- Medical, dental, or vision appointments
- Funeral for an immediate family member *Mother, Father, Grandmother, Grandfather, Brother, Sister, and any other relative living in the household (Education Code 45194) 1 day in CA; 3 days out of state
- Appearance in court
- Religious holiday or retreat (retreat limited to 4 hrs./semester)
- Spending time with uniformed immediate family members in active duty (deployed to combat zone)
- Attending a naturalization ceremony to become a United States Citizen

Unexcused Absences and Truancy:

The California Department of Education considers all absences for reasons not listed above unexcused. This includes family vacations during school and other absences that parents may feel are reasonable or even necessary due to family circumstances.

California Education Code Section 48263.6 defines chronic absenteeism as being absent from school (excused and unexcused) for 10% or more of the school days in one school year. Cinnabar students attend school for 180 days; therefore, 10% is equivalent to 18 missed school days.

Mandatory Parent/Guardian Notifications About Truancy:

Mandatory Parent/Guardian Notifications About Truancy California Education Code Section 48260.5 mandates that schools notify parents/guardians when a student's unexcused absences meet or exceed the following benchmarks:

- First Notification: Any combination of three (3) unexcused absences or excessive tardies/late (more than 30 minutes) in one school year.
- Second Notification: Any combination of six (6) unexcused absences or excessive tardies/late (more than 30 minutes) in one school year.
- Third Notification: Any additional unexcused absences or excessive tardies/late (more than 30 minutes) in one school year.

Independent Study

If unexcused absences are unavoidable, an **Independent Study Contract** may be an appropriate alternative. Independent Study is a program that allows students to do a full day's school work and regular homework while needing to be away from school for a short period of time due to special circumstances. You **MUST** request an independent study contract as far in advance as possible (minimum of 2 weeks), and the request needs to be approved by the principal. **Please notify the office in advance when you request an Independent Study Contract.**

Tardiness



School begins at 8:25 a.m. SHARP! Students who are late **must** report to the office for a Tardy Pass to admit them to class. Tardy students miss out on critical information and learning activities. **Tardiness is very disruptive to everyone. The child who is late often feels a high level of anxiety when he/she enters the class, and children who are already working are interrupted. Please make every effort to have your child here on time and ready to learn!**

The playground opens at 8:00 a.m. each day.

Cell Phones



We recognize that many parents provide their children with cell phones and/or smartwatches for safety and communication purposes. We also understand that many students bring these personal electronic devices to school. While these devices can serve an important purpose outside of the classroom, they can also become distractions during the school day and may interfere with students' focus, learning, and engagement. Our goal is to create a learning environment where students are fully present, actively participating, and able to achieve their full potential.

Cell phones must be turned off and securely stored in a student's backpack or other designated location throughout the entire school day, including before school, during breakfast, recess, lunch, and all other non-instructional times. Smartwatches may not be used in any capacity during the school day.

If a student needs to contact a parent or guardian regarding dismissal arrangements or another school-related matter, they may do so with permission from a staff member. Likewise, parents or guardians who need to reach their child during the school day should contact the school office, and appropriate arrangements will be made.

Any cell phone or smartwatch used during the school day—including for calls, texting, gaming, internet access, taking photos or videos, or any other unauthorized purpose—will be confiscated and turned in to the main office. The device must be picked up by a parent or guardian.

Students who need to contact a family member during the school day may do so by using a phone in the school office or, with staff permission, a classroom phone.

Families can help support this policy by avoiding calls or text messages to students during the school day unless there is an emergency. Whenever possible, we encourage students to leave personal electronic devices at home, as this is the best way to minimize distractions and support a successful learning experience.

The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged cell phones, smartwatches, or other personal electronic devices brought to campus.

Thank you for partnering with us to create a safe, focused, and engaging learning environment for all students.

Parent/Teacher Conferences and Report Cards



Conference Week October 5-9
12:45 dismissal for TK and Kindergarten
1:30 dismissal for 1st-6th

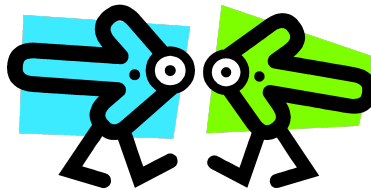
Conferences will be held after school through early evening. You will receive a note from your child's teacher letting you know when your conference is scheduled and asking you to confirm the time. Please return the notice confirming the time or requesting another time in a timely manner. We want to accommodate your schedule the best we can. The sooner we get information from you, the better we can accommodate your needs. Other conferences can be arranged at any time during the school year by simply contacting your child's teacher. We believe continuous communication between home and school is key to your child's academic and behavioral success.

Our school year is divided into three trimesters. Report cards are sent home at the end of each trimester. The following list the trimesters end dates and when report cards will be sent home:

Trimester 1 ends November 6
Trimester 2 ends March 12
Trimester 3 ends June 3

Trimester 1 Report Card sent home Nov. 16
Trimester 2 Report Card sent home March 22
Trimester 3 Report Card sent home June 3

Parent/Teacher Communication



Communication between school and home is very important. We communicate with all families using ParentSquare. **Please use this link** <https://www.cinnabar.org/domain/29> to create an account and download the app on your phone to access the information.

Monday Folders:

The office staff and the teachers send information home on Mondays in a Cinnabar folder. Monday folders should come back by Wednesday.

Any signed notes can be returned sooner to the classroom teacher. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher, please send a note with your child, send an email, or call and leave a voicemail message so that an appointment can be arranged.

If you would like to speak with the superintendent/principal, and they are available, they will meet or speak with you immediately. If they are not available, the school secretary will set up a time when you can meet with them. We are here to answer your questions, listen to your ideas,

and welcome your suggestions, compliments and feedback. We value our partnership with families and encourage open communication throughout the school year.

Arrival and Dismissal

We offer before school child care at our Cinnabar Clubhouse (ELOP) at no cost! from 6:45 – 8:00 a.m. Call the school for information on enrolling your child into our before school child care program.

Morning Drop Off: The circle in front of the office is for the school bus only. Please use the parking lot when dropping off students in the morning. Please pull as far forward and to the right as possible and drop off at the crosswalk or park and walk your student onto the campus.

Afternoon Pick Up: The circle in front of the office is for the school bus only. Students riding the bus will be brought to the circle to load the bus. Please do not park or wait in the circle after school.

Students being picked up will be dismissed from the schoolyard blacktop. Parents should park in the parking area, cross the parking lot and wait for students to be dismissed there. **Students will not be allowed to walk unescorted through the parking lot.** We will supervise students in the dismissal area until a designated person is there to pick them up. As a matter of policy, children who have not been picked up 15 minutes after dismissal time will be escorted to **ELOP** to wait there for their parent/guardian to pick them up.

Have a plan!!! Make sure your child knows how they are getting home before they are at school. If your child's regular transportation has changed for the day, please send a note in with your child to give to their classroom teacher. If your child is going home with someone else a note must be given to the teacher that day stating who is picking them up and signed by the guardian/parent. That person must also be on your child's emergency card.

ALL VISITORS must sign in and wear a visitors badge. PLEASE do not enter the hallways of the school without first checking into the office.

Riding the Bus: The bus schedule is available in the office. A Cinnabar School Bus Contract must be signed by student and parent prior to riding the bus and be on file in the office. **We expect students to follow all bus rules and parents to support their children in being safe, respectful, and responsible at bus stops and while riding the bus.** The driver is in charge of the bus. All students are expected to follow the directions of the bus driver. The driver must be the person who determines what is distracting or unsafe behavior. If your student is using the bus please pick him/her at the bus stop promptly.



Walking & Wheeling: We recommend that young children not walk to school unless accompanied by an older sibling. When a student has permission to walk or ride a bicycle home, **the student must sign out at the office before leaving campus and have a SIGNED Walking Contract on file.**

As per California Helmet Law, students must wear a helmet when riding their bikes or scooters and walk their wheels up and down the hill.

Field Trips

Students and their teachers have the opportunity to participate in educational and exciting field trips each year. The Superintendent/Principal reviews and approves all field trips requested by the teaching staff. Field trips reinforce the students' curriculum in our STEAM programs (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Music). **Students must return field trip permission slips 2 days prior to the trip or they cannot participate.**

Sports & Transportation

In order for parents to drive students for after school sports, a Cinnabar School Driver Certification form must be completed and a copy of an insurance policy showing liability coverage on the vehicle must be provided. The minimum acceptable liability limit for privately owned vehicles is \$100,000 per occurrence. If you transport students often, we recommend that your coverage be \$300,000 per occurrence.

Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS)

At Cinnabar School, we are committed to create an environment where all students and staff feel safe and welcome and where good teaching and great learning flourish. To that end, we have adopted a multi-tiered system of supports and utilize a Response to Intervention (RTI) process, and **Cinnabar School has a school-wide PBIS system.** PBIS has five critical features:

1. The adults at school have consistent expectations and use common language and strategies to support all students.
2. We explicitly teach all the students our three school rules:
Be Safe Be Respectful Be Responsible
3. We acknowledge and encourage all students when they are following the rules.
4. We reteach and correct students who are not following the rules.
5. We use data in order to make the best decisions possible on how to best support our students.

All of this is done in such a way as to provide the necessary level of academic and social-behavioral support to each and every student. Our goal is to set each student up for success.

We have three school rules. These rules are designed to guide students as they learn how to be successful at school, in the community, and in life. The three school rules are: Be Safe, Be Respectful, and Be Responsible.

Some examples of being **SAFE** include:

Students walking while on campus, keeping their hands, feet, and other objects to themselves, using technology appropriately, remaining in areas where staff supervision is provided, wearing appropriate clothing and footwear for recess and physical education, and leaving gum and other distracting items at home.

Some examples of being **RESPECTFUL** include:

Students staying focused on the task at hand, actively listening, using language that builds others up, speaking in a kind and courteous manner, using appropriate voice levels, and treating classmates, staff, and school property with care.

Some examples of being RESPONSIBLE include:

Students arriving at school and class on time, completing and turning in assignments by the due date, following adult directions the first time they are given, taking care of school materials and personal belongings, and keeping personal electronic devices stored in their backpacks during the school day.

Cinnabar is a PBIS school. The staff has training on PBIS and we have a PBIS Team. Our staff positively reinforces students following our rules 4:1. That means four times recognizing proper behavior to one behavior correction.

Some ways we recognize students being safe, respectful, and responsible are:

Giving a Fist Bump	Compliments	Giving a Thumb Up
Saying "Thank you"	Giving Gratitude Grams	Smiling
Special jobs	Postcards home	Awards assemblies

We use a system of corrective feedback when students are not following the rules. We use the rule violation as an opportunity to teach correct behavior and increase students' appropriate responses to different situations.

Student behavior has been categorized into three levels. This leveled system is designed to increase staff consistency in responding to and documenting misbehavior.

Level I behaviors do not require administrator involvement, are not more than a minor disruption to the learning environment, and are not chronic.

Correctives for Level I rule violations may include:

Redirection to task	Practice desired behavior	Verbal warning
Change of seating	School Rule Reflection sheet	Reteach expected behavior

Level II behaviors are a moderate disruption to the learning environment, may require administrative involvement, or are chronic Level I behaviors.

Correctives for Level II Rule Violations may include:

Conference with student	Loss of privilege	Problem-solving worksheet
Phone call home	Meeting with principal	Letter of apology

Level II behaviors are documented on a Behavior Tracking Form (BTF).

Level III behaviors are a major disruption to the learning environment, pose a danger, are illegal, and require administrative involvement.

Correctives for Level III Rule Violations may include:

Parent conference	Detention	Suspension
Law Enforcement contact	Restitution	Expulsion

Level III behaviors are documented on a Behavior Tracking Form (BTF).

Behavior Tracking Forms are designed to document correctives and gather data in order to make the best intervention decisions possible. Parents/guardians will receive a copy of the BTF and will be asked to sign the form and return it to school the next day.

You can support your student by asking what the Cinnabar School rules are and letting your students know that these are the same three rules at home. Please encourage safe, respectful, responsible behavior all the time everywhere and positively acknowledge this behavior.

Anti Bullying Policy Policy 5131.2

The Governing Board recognizes the harmful effects of bullying on student learning and school attendance and desires to provide safe school environments that protect students from physical and emotional harm. District employees shall establish student safety as a high priority and shall not tolerate bullying of any student.

No individual or group shall, through physical, written, verbal, or other means, harass, sexually harass, threaten, intimidate, retaliate, cyberbully, cause bodily injury to, or commit hate violence against any student or school personnel.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5136 - Gangs)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)

Cyberbullying includes the creation or transmission of harassing communications, direct threats, or other harmful texts, sounds, or images on the Internet, social media, or other technologies using a telephone, computer, or any wireless communication device. Cyberbullying also includes breaking into another person's electronic account and assuming that person's identity in order to damage that person's reputation.

(cf. 5145.2 - Freedom of Speech/Expression)

Strategies for addressing bullying in district schools shall be developed with involvement of key educational partners, including students, parents/guardians, and staff, and may be incorporated into the comprehensive safety plan, the local control and accountability plan, and other applicable district and school plans.

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

As appropriate, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may collaborate with law enforcement, courts, social services, mental health services, other agencies, and community organizations in the development and implementation of joint strategies to promote safety in schools and the community and to provide services for alleged victims and perpetrators of bullying.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

Bullying Prevention

To the extent possible, district schools shall focus on the prevention of bullying by establishing clear rules for student conduct and implementing strategies to promote a positive, collaborative school climate. Students shall be informed, through student handbooks and other appropriate means, of district and school rules related to bullying, mechanisms available for reporting incidents or threats, and the consequences for engaging in bullying.

(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)

As appropriate, the district shall provide students with instruction, in the classroom or other educational settings, that promotes effective communication and conflict resolution skills, social skills, character/values education, respect for cultural and individual differences, self-esteem development, assertiveness skills, and appropriate online behavior.

(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

(cf. 6142.94 - History-Social Science Instruction)

(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)

Staff shall receive related professional development, including information about early warning signs of harassing/intimidating behaviors and effective response.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Based on an assessment of bullying incidents at school, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may increase supervision and security in areas where bullying most often occurs, such as classrooms, playgrounds, hallways, restrooms, and cafeterias.

Intervention

Students are encouraged to notify school staff when they are being bullied or suspect that another student is being victimized. In addition, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall develop means for students to report threats or incidents confidentially and anonymously.

School staff who witness an act of bullying shall immediately intervene to stop the incident when it is safe to do so. (Education Code 234.1)

When appropriate based on the severity or pervasiveness of the bullying, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall notify the parents/guardians of victims and perpetrators and may contact law enforcement.

The Superintendent/Principal, principal, or principal's designee may refer a victim, witness, perpetrator, or other student affected by an act of bullying to a school counselor, school psychologist, social worker, child welfare attendance personnel, school nurse, or other school support service personnel for case management, counseling, and/or participation in a restorative justice program as appropriate. (Education Code 48900.9)

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

Reporting and Filing of Complaints

Any student, parent/guardian, or other individual who believes that a student has been subjected to bullying or who has witnessed bullying may report the incident to a teacher, the principal, a compliance officer, or any other available school employee. Within one business day of receiving such a report, a staff member shall notify the principal of the report, whether or not a uniform complaint is filed. In addition, any school employee who observes an incident of bullying involving a student shall, within one business day, report his/her observation to the principal or a district compliance officer, whether or not the alleged victim files a complaint.

Within two business days of receiving a report of bullying, the principal shall notify the district compliance officer identified in AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

When the circumstances involve cyberbullying, individuals with information about the activity shall be encouraged to save and print any electronic or digital messages that they feel constitute cyberbullying and to notify a teacher, the principal, or other employee so that the matter may be investigated. When a student uses a social networking site or service to bully or harass another student, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may file a request with the networking site or service to suspend the privileges of the student and to have the material removed.

When a report of bullying is submitted, the principal or a district compliance officer shall inform the student or parent/guardian of the right to file a formal written complaint in accordance with AR 1312.3. The student who is the alleged victim of the bullying shall be given an opportunity to describe the incident, identify witnesses who may have relevant information, and provide other evidence of bullying.

Investigation and Resolution of Complaints

Any complaint of bullying shall be investigated and, if determined to be discriminatory, resolved in accordance with law and the district's uniform complaint procedures specified in AR 1312.3.

If, during the investigation, it is determined that a complaint is about nondiscriminatory bullying, the principal or designee shall inform the complainant and shall take all necessary actions to resolve the complaint.

Discipline

Corrective actions for a student who commits an act of bullying of any type may include counseling, behavioral intervention and education, and, if the behavior is severe or pervasive as defined in Education Code 48900, may include suspension or expulsion in accordance with district policies and regulations.

Student Dress and Grooming Guidelines



Research has shown that student dress and appearance affect student attitudes and conduct. Cinnabar School District looks upon the district dress code as a key component of the educational process. We are of the opinion that we are preparing students for success. **All students will wear clothes that are safe, respectful, and responsible in a learning environment.**

Specific details and examples include:

- Flip-Flops, sandals, and Crocs without heel straps are considered undesirable foot protection for school. Sneakers/tennis shoes are recommended footwear and necessary on PE days.
- Clothing should fully cover undergarments.
- Students are expected to wear regular daytime clothing. PJs and slippers should be reserved for spirit days.
- Clothing with drug/alcohol/tobacco logos
- Clothing with gang symbolism or graffiti
- Clothing with inappropriate or offensive language or statements
- Shirts and tops should fully cover the torso and midriff, and clothing should not be see-through unless worn with appropriate layers underneath.

Please remember to:

- Label outerwear so lost clothing can be returned to the owner
- Maintain personal hygiene
- Bath regularly

When in the judgment of the adult in authority, an individual's attire is in violation of the above guidelines the attire will not be allowed. If a student's attire does not meet these guidelines, the school will work with the student and family to resolve the concern. Consequences may include, but are not limited to, contacting a parent or guardian to provide a change of clothing, requiring an appropriate adjustment to the student's attire for the remainder of the school day, and/or scheduling a conference with the parent or guardian, teacher, and administrator.

Lunch Program



Breakfast – Lunch

For the 2026-2027 school year we will be offering Universal Meals. All students qualify for breakfast and lunch free of charge regardless of family income. However, all families are encouraged to complete the NSLP (National School Lunch Program) meal application which may also qualify families for the summer EBT SunBucks card. The NSLP application is available in the front office and in the back to school registration packet. Families that are not directly certified that choose not to submit a NSLP will not receive SUN Bucks benefits (EBT card).

Along with breakfast, students are encouraged to bring a healthy snack to eat during morning recess. Due to food allergies, students are not allowed to share food.

Birthdays and Food

Teachers will support the Cinnabar District Wellness Policy by limiting food used for class activities. Therefore, students may celebrate at school with healthy snacks for everyone in the class. **No cupcakes, cakes or balloons.** Also, please send party invitations, via U.S. Postal mail, unless the whole class is being invited.

English Language Development (ELD)

A number of students at Cinnabar School speak languages other than English in their homes. This presents a special challenge as they work to master the academic skills necessary to be successful in school and beyond. Our English Language Development (ELD) program is designed to accelerate the development of their English language skills and support their overall learning.

Students are tested for their English proficiency and provided assistance in English language development. Learning plans are written by the ELD teacher and the classroom teachers to set special goals for these students to develop their English skills while they master the academic content of their grade level. Understanding that each student's ultimate success in school and beyond is based on his or her English language ability, the ultimate goal of the ELD program is English Language fluency for each student.

English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC)

Students in kindergarten through grade twelve whose home language is not English are required by law to be assessed in English Language Proficiency (ELP) each year. English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC) initial is administered in the Fall and summative is administered in the Spring.

School Nurse



Our school nurse is contracted through a consortium of small districts in Petaluma. The nurse is scheduled to be on campus at Cinnabar School approximately once a week and available as needed. The school nurse conducts vision and hearing screenings on students in TK/Kindergarten, 2nd and 5th. She also screens all new students and students being considered for special education programs, as well as students at the request of teachers, parents, or physicians. Medical records of students are reviewed and staff is alerted to children who may have specific health needs or problems. If your student has asthma, food allergies, or any other chronic medical condition, please notify the office and our school nurse. Health records are maintained on all students. Medical records are also reviewed to see that California immunization requirements are met. Our school nurse is a resource to the office staff regarding health problems and first-aid. She also serves as a resource for teachers on health education. In the spring, she teaches a unit on Growth and Development of Puberty to 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students.

If your child has asthma, food allergies, or any other chronic medical condition, please notify the office and our school nurse.

Type 1 Diabetes Information

Pursuant to California Education Code Section 49452.6, type 1 diabetes informational materials are to be provided to the parent or guardian of a pupil when the pupil is first enrolled in elementary school.

Type 1 diabetes in children is an autoimmune disease that can be fatal if untreated, and the guidance provided in this information sheet is intended to raise awareness about this disease.

What is Type 1 Diabetes?

- The body turns the carbohydrates in bodies into glucose (blood sugar), which is the basic fuel for the body's cells
- The pancreas makes insulin. Insulin is a hormone that moves glucose from the blood into the body's cells.
- In type 1 diabetes, the body's pancreas stops making insulin, and the levels of glucose in the blood rise.
- Over time the glucose levels in the blood may become dangerously high. When this happens, it is called "hyperglycemia".
- If left untreated, hyperglycemia can result in diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA), which is a life-threatening complication of diabetes.
- Type 1 Diabetes usually develops in children and young adults but can occur at any age.

Risk factors Associated with Type 1 Diabetes

- Researchers do not completely understand why some people develop type 1 diabetes.
- Having a family history of type 1 diabetes can increase the likelihood of developing type 1 diabetes.
- Other risk factors may include environmental triggers, such as viruses.
- Type 1 diabetes is not caused by diet or lifestyle choices.

Warning Signs and Symptoms Associated with Type 1 Diabetes

Warning signs and symptoms may develop quickly, in weeks or months. If your child displays the warning signs below, contact your child's health care provider to determine if screening your child for type 1 diabetes is appropriate:

- Increased thirst
- Unexplained weight loss
- Feeling very tired
- Blurred vision
- Very dry skin
- Slow healing of sores or cuts
- Increased hunger, even after eating
- Moodiness, restlessness, irritability or behavior changes
- Increased urination, including bed-wetting after toilet training

DKA is a complication of untreated type 1 diabetes, and is a medical emergency. Symptoms include:

- Fruity breath
- Dry/flushed skin
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Stomach pains
- Trouble breathing
- Confusion

Types of Screening Tests for Diabetes Type 1

- ***Glycated hemoglobin (A1C) test*** A blood test measures the average blood sugar level over two to three months. An A1C level of 6.5% or higher on two separate tests indicates diabetes.
- ***Random (non-fasting) blood sugar test*** A blood sample is taken without fasting. A random blood sugar level of 200 milligrams per deciliter (mg/dL) or higher suggests diabetes.
- ***Fasting blood sugar test*** A blood sample is taken after an overnight fast. A level of 126 mg/dL or higher on two separate tests indicates diabetes.
- ***Oral glucose tolerance test*** A test measuring the fasting blood sugar level after an overnight fast, with periodic testing over the next several hours after drinking a sugary liquid. A reading of more than 200 mg/dL after two hours indicates diabetes.

Type 1 Diabetes Treatments

There are no known ways to prevent type 1 diabetes. Once type 1 diabetes develops, medication is the only treatment.

If your child is diagnosed with type 1 diabetes, their health care provider will be able to help develop a treatment plan. Your child's health care provider may refer your child to an endocrinologist, a doctor specializing in the endocrine system and its disorders, such as diabetes.

If you have questions, contact your student's school nurse, school administrator, or health care provider.

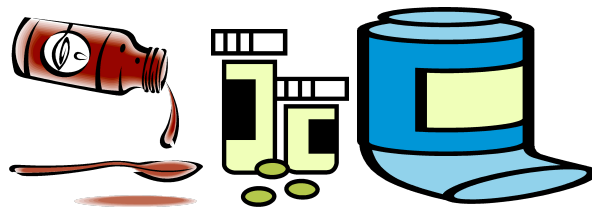
School Nurse: Tracey Eaton, MSN, RN teaton@cinnabar.org

School Administrator: Amelia Circo Telephone (707) 765-4345

References

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/basics/what-is-type-1-diabetes.html>
- KidsHealth <https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/type1.html>
- Mayo Clinic
<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/type-1-diabetes/multimedia/vid-20533851>
- National Library of Medicine and National Institutes of Health's Medline
<https://medlineplus.gov/diabetestype1.html>

Medications at School



State law and Governing Board Policy must be followed when medication is administered at school. **School personnel are not to administer or dispense any medications, even over the counter medications, unless the following regulations are followed and documented:**

- We must receive written authorization from a physician that includes the student's name, medication, dosage, and frequency for all prescription medicines.
- We must have written consent from a parent or guardian to administer medication.
- **All medications must be kept in the school office** unless a written authorization directing otherwise is received from a physician. Medication must be in the original container and include everything needed to properly administer.
- All medications and authorizations must be renewed at the start of each school year.

Consent forms permitting school personnel to administer medication are available in the office. Please call the school office if you have any questions regarding this policy.

Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)

We are committed to supporting every student in achieving success academically, behaviorally, socially, and through regular school attendance. All students receive high-quality classroom instruction, behavior expectations, and social-emotional learning as part of our Tier 1 supports. Some students may benefit from additional small-group instruction or targeted interventions to strengthen specific skills. When a student continues to need additional support, a Student Study Team (SST) may be formed to partner with the family, identify the student's strengths and needs, and develop an individualized plan to support their success.

Special Education Services

Students in the United States are entitled to a “free and appropriate education” as defined by the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA). Those programs and interventions designed under the IDEA to assure that each child’s needs are met are a part of Special Education. The process to determine if a student qualifies for Special Education services is spelled out in the IDEA. If it is suspected that your child is not achieving his or her potential, your child’s teacher will attempt many interventions and special programs before beginning the Special Education referral process. All referrals to Special Education, for testing, evaluation, or services, require signed parent/guardian permission.

The Individual Educational Plan

If a student is not responding adequately to the support determined by the SST, then they may be referred for further assessments to determine special education eligibility. An Individual Educational Plan (IEP) is written for each student who is found to be eligible for special education services. The IEP Team, the group that writes the IEP, consists of the specialists who conducted the assessments, the child’s classroom teacher, the principal, the child’s parents/guardians, and when appropriate, the child. Once the initial IEP is written, the goals and services outlined in the plan to determine the child’s educational program for the next year. Each year, the team meets to determine if the goals and services remain appropriate. Three years from the initial assessment, the entire team meets again to do a more in-depth evaluation of that child’s placement, goals, and educational needs. Throughout the IEP process, no changes are made in the child’s placement or program without the child’s parent/guardian’s permission.

Educational Specialist Class

The Educational Specialist Class is a special education service. The Educational Specialist provides additional support and instruction for qualifying students. To be eligible for this program, students must have a learning disability. These students may need assistance in developing perceptual skills, organizational skills, and/or auditory skills. With additional support and guidance, these students should be able to overcome their obstacles and compensate with other methods of learning. The Educational Specialist services may be delivered both in the regular classroom and in the RSP classroom.

Speech Therapy

The Speech Therapist serves children who have problems with articulation, voice, language concepts, auditory discrimination and syntax (grammar). Children with speech and language disabilities are served in small groups or individually. The Speech Therapist also screens students in kindergarten and first grades for speech and language problems.

School Psychologist

A school psychologist coordinates the special education program at Cinnabar Charter School and ensures that all special education services are provided legally and appropriately. The school psychologist is responsible for administering psycho-educational assessments that must be conducted to determine if a child is initially eligible as well as continuing eligibility for special education services. A school psychologist administers assessments which measure thinking skills, visual and auditory processing, visual motor processing, and social-emotional functioning. The psychologist supports the special education teacher during IEP meetings. School psychologists provide counseling support to individual students, groups of students, parents and families around educationally-related issues. School psychologists support teachers and administrators in supporting positive student behaviors.

Disaster Response Plan



The parents and teachers working on our Disaster Response Plan have called it “The best plan we hope we never have to use.” Nonetheless, the Disaster Plan Committee has worked diligently to ensure that, in the event of a catastrophic earthquake or other tragedy, we will respond in a manner that ensures the safety and well being of each and every one of our students. Our school safety plan is updated annually and goes through a rigorous updating, monitoring, and input cycle each year.

Stored on site, we have food, water, and other supplies. We have first-aid supplies and search and rescue equipment, as well as staff ready to employ it for our students’ welfare. We have organized our entire staff to assist with a rapid and certain response to any disaster. Each staff member, (teachers, behavior coaches, secretaries, aides, and the principal), has a specific role to play to ensure everyone’s safety. Even the children have a special part to play, as members of their classroom.

It is important that the parent/guardian know their role, as well. First of all, please make sure that your emergency contact information is up-to-date. Please understand that we will only release your child to the people you list on your child’s emergency card.

Parents/guardians who come to pick up their children will speak with staff members at the front of the school, who will then have their children brought from the location where the student will be waiting with their class. We will be keeping a detailed log, documenting when each child left, and with whom. Our most important task, in the unlikely event of a large disaster, is to ensure the safety and well being of each of our students - your children.

California State Testing in 2026-2027

California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP)

Smarter Balanced (SBAC)

In California, all students in grades 3 through 8 will participate in the 2025-2026 Smarter Balanced tests, these include both ELA and mathematics content areas. These tests are administered online.

California Alternate Assessments (CAA)

The CAA for English–language arts and mathematics tests are individually administered to students in grades 3 through 8 who have significant cognitive disabilities. All eligible students are required to participate in an online field test assessment.

California Science Tests (CAST)

The science tests are to be administered to students in grades 5 and 8.

Weapons and Dangerous Instruments

Firearms Safety Memorandum

To: Parents and Guardians of Students in the Cinnabar School District

From: Superintendent

Subject: California Law Regarding Safe Storage of Firearms

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform and to remind parents and legal guardians of all students in the Cinnabar School District of their responsibilities for keeping firearms out of the hands of children as required by California law. There have been many news reports of children bringing firearms to school. In many instances, the child obtained the firearm(s) from his or her home. **These incidents can be easily prevented by storing firearms in a safe and secure manner, including keeping them locked up when not in use and storing them separately from ammunition.**

To help everyone understand their legal responsibilities, this memorandum spells out California law regarding the storage of firearms. Please take some time to review this memorandum and evaluate your own personal practices to assure that you and your family are in compliance with California law.

- With very limited exceptions, California makes a person criminally liable for keeping any firearm, loaded or unloaded, within any premises that are under their custody and control where that person knows or reasonably should know that a child is likely to gain access to the firearm without the permission of the child's parent or legal guardian, and the child obtains access to the firearm and thereby (1) causes death or injury to the child or any other person; (2) carries the firearm off the premises or to a public place, including to any preschool or school grades kindergarten through twelfth grade, or to any

school-sponsored event, activity, or performance; **or** (3) unlawfully brandishes the firearm to others.^[1]

- **Note:** The criminal penalty may be significantly greater if someone dies or suffers great bodily injury as a result of the child gaining access to the firearm.
- With very limited exceptions, California also makes it a crime for a person to negligently store or leave any firearm, loaded or unloaded, on their premises in a location where the person knows or reasonably should know that a child is likely to gain access to it without the permission of the child's parent or legal guardian, unless reasonable action is taken to secure the firearm against access by the child, even where a minor **never** actually accesses the firearm.^[2]
- In addition to potential fines and terms of imprisonment, as of January 1, 2020, a gun owner found criminally liable under these California laws faces prohibitions from possessing, controlling, owning, receiving, or purchasing a firearm for 10 years.^[3]
- Finally, a parent or guardian may also be civilly liable for damages resulting from the discharge of a firearm by that person's child or ward.^[4]

Note: Your county or city may have additional restrictions regarding the safe storage of firearms.

Thank you for helping to keep our children and schools safe. Remember that the easiest and safest way to comply with the law is to keep firearms in a locked container or secured with a locking device that renders the firearm inoperable.

Sincerely,

Cinnabar Superintendent/Principal
Date published: 8/1/2023
California Department of Education

^[1] See California Penal Code sections 25100 through 25125 and 25200 through 25220.

^[2] See California Penal Code section 25100(c).

^[3] See California Civil Code Section 29805.

^[4] See California Civil Code Section 1714.3.

The Governing Board desires students and staff to be free from the fear and danger presented by weapons. The Board therefore prohibits students from possessing weapons, imitation firearms, or dangerous instruments of any kind in school buildings, grounds or buses, or at a school-related and/or school-sponsored activity away from school. Under the power granted to the Board to maintain order and discipline in the schools and to protect the safety of students, staff and the public; a school employee is authorized to confiscate a weapon, dangerous instrument, or imitation firearm from any person on the school grounds.

Students possessing or threatening others with a weapon, dangerous instrument, or imitation firearm are subject to suspension and/or expulsion in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulations. The superintendent/principal or designee shall notify law enforcement

authorities when any student possesses a weapon or commits any act of assault with a firearm or other weapon.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE:

35291 Governing Board to prescribe rules for the government and discipline of the schools
48900 Grounds for suspension/expulsion
48902 Notification of law enforcement authorities
48915 Required recommendation for expulsions
48916 Readmission
49330 Injurious object
49331 Removal from possession of pupil by designated employee
49332 Notification of parent/guardian
49333 Return of object
49334 Injurious objects: notification to law enforcement

PENAL CODE:

245 Assault with a deadly weapon
417.2 Imitation firearms
417.4 Imitation firearms
626.9 Gun-Free School Zone Act of 1995
626.10 Dirks, daggers, knives, razor, or stun gun; bringing or possessing in school
12020-12028.5 Unlawful carrying or possession of concealed weapons

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20:

16301-8962 Improving America's Schools Act
8921-8922 Gun Free Schools Act of 1994

Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act Notification

In compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) Cinnabar School District must apprise all persons arriving at the Cinnabar School site of the information contained in the school's Asbestos Management Plan. This plan contains all current inspections, assessments, and action details relative to the school buildings. As required by AHERA, a 3-year re-inspection was recently completed. That report is in the school's Asbestos Management Plan and is available for anyone to review during normal business hours.

Any further questions may be directed to RESIG (Redwood Empire School Insurance Group), the designated agency responsible for AHERA compliance for the Cinnabar School District.

Annual Notification of Planned Pesticide Use

The Healthy Schools Act requires all California school districts to notify parents and guardians of pesticides they expect to apply during the year. We intend to use the following pesticides in the school this year:

Material Name

Gordon's Farm "Pronto Big N' Turf"

Active Ingredient(s)

41 % Glyphosate

Cinnabar School District contracts with Terminix for monthly applications of these pesticides. All applications are done when children are not present at the school.

You can find more information regarding these pesticides and pesticide reduction at the Department of Pesticides Regulations website at <http://www.cdpr.ca.us.gov>. If you have any questions, please contact Cinnabar's superintendent at (707) 765-4345.

Williams Complaint Classroom Notice

Notice to Parents, Guardians, Pupils, and Teachers

Pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 35186, you are hereby notified that:

1. There should be sufficient textbooks and instructional materials. That means each pupil, including English learners, must have a textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home.
2. School facilities must be clean, safe, and maintained in good repair.
3. There should be no teacher vacancies or mis-assignments. There should be a teacher assigned to each class and not a series of substitutes or other temporary teachers. The teacher should have the proper credentials to teach the class, including the certification required to teach English learners if present.

Teacher vacancy means a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.

Misassignment means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold.

4. A complaint form may be obtained at the school office, the district office, or downloaded from the school's Web site at ***www.cinnabar.org***. You may also download a copy of the California Department of Education complaint form from the following Web site: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc>.

Uniform Complaint Procedure

The Board of Trustees and staff recognize that the district has primary responsibility for ensuring that it complies with state and federal laws and regulations governing our educational programs. Any individual wishing to file a complaint regarding compliance issues may receive a copy of official complaint procedures in the school office.

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURE ANNUAL NOTICE

The district shall follow the uniform complaint procedure described below when addressing complaints alleging unlawful discrimination based on actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, gender, ethnic group, identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability, or age, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any program or activity that receive or benefits from state financial assistance. The uniform complaint procedure described below shall also be used when addressing complaints alleging failure to comply with the state and/or federal laws in adult education, consolidated categorical aid programs, migrant education, Career Technical and Technical Education and Training programs, child care and developmental programs, child nutrition programs, special education programs, federal safety planning requirements. Individual agencies, organizations, students and interested third parties have the right to file a complaint using these procedures described below. The District shall have the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

Complaints must be made in writing with the appropriate officer identified below. Complaints alleging discrimination must be filed no later than six months from the date of the alleged discrimination occurred or the date the complaint first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged discrimination, unless the time for filing is extended by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Complaints will be investigated and a written decision sent to the complainant within sixty days from the receipt of the complaint. This sixty (60) day time period may be extended by written agreement of the complainant. The District person responsible for investigation the complaint shall conduct and complete the investigation in accordance with sections 4680-4687 and in accordance with local procedures adopted under section 4621. If the complainant is not satisfied with the local education agency's decision, the complaint may file within 15 days of receipt of the decision a written appeal with the California Department of Education (CDE) in Sacramento, California. The appeal to CDE must include a copy of the locally-filed complaint and a copy of the District decision.

Complainants may also pursue available civil laws, including, but not limited to, injunctions, restraining orders, or other orders in a federal or state court. Further information about such remedies may be available through a private or public interest attorney, The County Lawyer Referral Service, Legal Aid Society, mediator, or dispute resolution service.

A copy of the District's policy and complaint procedures may be obtained, free of charge, through the Superintendent's office.

Name and Title of Compliance Officer: Amelia Circo

Address: Cinnabar School, 286 Skillman Lane, Petaluma CA
Telephone: 707 765 4345
2026-2027

Non Discrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. mail:
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. fax:
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. email:
program.intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Permission to Walk After School

The Cinnabar School District urges parents to consider the safety of students when granting permission for your child to walk home. Please review the information below and sign where indicated.

I/We, the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge and understand that the Cinnabar School District is responsible for the transportation of my/our student to and from the educational facilities of the District.

In the event that my/our student should sustain any personal injury to themselves and others, I/we hereby waive all claims and hold harmless the Cinnabar School District and its employees from any personal injury to my/our student.

Student will:

- Be safe, respectful, and responsible

- Walk on the sidewalks

- Walk bikes on campus and down the driveway (the hill)

Use bike lanes

- Always wear helmet when biking

- Follow all traffic laws

- Treat neighboring properties with respect

Cinnabar School District Bus Contract

Bus transportation to and from schools in California is a privilege at no cost to the Cinnabar families and is not mandated by law. Bus transportation is provided at the discretion of the Cinnabar School Board. In order to maintain safety on school buses, students are expected to be safe, respectful and responsible. Students must adhere to the rules and regulations while riding the bus and waiting at the school bus stops. The following is a list of student actions constituting violation of established rules and regulations:

1. Abusive body contact, fighting on the bus or at the bus stop (slapping, hitting, poking, shoving, pulling hair or endangering life or limb of other people, etc.) (minimum 2 day suspension)
2. Eating or drinking on the bus. (minimum 2 day suspension)
3. Throwing any object in, out, or at the bus. Littering of any kind, improper procedures (not lining up, rock throwing, playing in the street), property damage to bus or at the bus stop. (minimum 3 day suspension)
4. Using profane language or obscene gestures. (minimum 2 day suspension)
5. Any movement out of seat while the bus is in motion. (minimum 2 day suspension)
6. Disrespect or failure to obey driver. (minimum 3 day suspension)
7. Putting any body part out of the bus window at any time. (minimum 2 day suspension)

8. Unauthorized opening, closing, or tampering of any kind with the bus doors, windows, emergency exits, radio, or bus controls. (automatically no less than 2 days plus cost of repairs)
9. Legs, feet, or other objects obstructing the aisle or facing to the rear of the seat or creating excessive noise. (minimum 2 day suspension)

10. Illegal crossing at “Red Light Stop” Vehicle Code 22112 (minimum 3 day suspension
Video cameras will be used to help with the control and safety of students “ Authority of bus driver” (section 14263 California Administrative Code Title 5) states “Pupils transported in a school bus shall be under the authority of and responsible directly to, the driver of the bus, and the driver shall be held responsible for the orderly conduct of the pupils while they are on the bus or being escorted across the street, authority of the driver shall be sufficient reason for a pupil to be denied transportation. A bus driver shall not require any pupil to leave the bus enroute between home and school or other destination”.

Cinnabar School Bus Schedule 2026-2027

A.M. Route Times

P.M. Route Times

Bodega Ave.	7:27 am	Leave Cinnabar School	3:00 pm
Liberty & Magnolia Ave	7:37 am	745 Round Walk Circle Village	3:08 pm
Paseo Del Olmo (Old Elm Village Office)	7:42 am	Liberty & Magnolia Ave	3:19 pm
1200 Petaluma Blvd. N. (Logan Place Apts)	7:47 am	Paseo Del Olmo (Old Elm Village Office)	3:25 pm
745 Round Walk Circle Village	8:00 am	1200 Petaluma Blvd. N. (Logan Place Apts)	3:30 pm
Cinnabar School	8:10 am	Bodega Ave.	3:45 pm

Wednesday - Minimum Day 1:30 Dismissal

Leaves Cinnabar	1:30 pm
745 Round Walk Circle Village	1:38 pm
Liberty & Magnolia Ave	1:49 pm
Paseo Del Olmo (Old Elm Village Office)	1:55 pm
1200 Petaluma Blvd. N. (Logan Place Apts)	2:00 pm
Bodega Ave.	2:15 pm

Parental Photograph Permission

Cinnabar requires photo permission to include your student in the following:

- Yearbook, Cinnabar website and local media.

Cinnabar Library

Our Cinnabar library is a very special place. It contains over 10,000 books, 500 are in Spanish. Most books are labeled with an Accelerated Reading (AR) levels. This system provides a guide for our students to choose books in their zone of approximate development (ZPD). When students read books daily in their ZPD, they become better readers. Every Cinnabar student is expected to have AR books with them at all times.

Please review these Cinnabar library expectations with your student, then sign and return the contract to school.

Be Safe:

Walk in the library at all times.

Be Respectful:

Use a wooden place marker when selecting books.

Return books on time and in the same condition.

Use Volume level 1 (whisper).

Be Responsible:

Books only leave the library after they have been checked out.

Honor the Cinnabar Library Contract.

We have reviewed the expectations for using the Cinnabar Library and agree to pay the replacement cost of the book if lost or damaged.

Chromebook Usage Agreement

Along with an Acceptable Use Policy Agreement, every student is given a Chromebook Usage Agreement at the beginning of every school year. Students must have a parent signature to be assigned a Chromebook for curricular usage. Below are the following guidelines for usage and by signing below you agree to the terms and conditions presented. **ALL CHROMEBOOKS AND ACCESSORIES CHECKED OUT FROM ELOP SHALL BE RETURNED AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR OR BEFORE LEAVING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ANY REASON.**

What happens if the Chromebook is damaged?

Students are responsible for the care of their Chromebook. A one-year manufacturer warranty protects the Chromebook from defects in materials and workmanship. The warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, abuse, or accidents. The student will be responsible for repair cost for damage from misuse, abuse, or accidents. Families have the option of purchasing insurance to alleviate the cost for Chromebook maintenance and repair.

What are the estimated replacement costs?

Replacement Chromebook - \$450.00

Replacement Keyboard/Touchpad - \$50.00

Replacement Screen - \$50.00

Replacement Power Charger - \$25.00

Replacement Hotspot - \$50.00

Can I opt my student out of the 1:1 initiative?

We believe the 1:1 initiative will create a collaborative learning environment for all learners. It is our hope that all students will be able to benefit from this initiative. Parents, however, must give permission before their child is assigned a Chromebook.

How is one student's Chromebook identified from another student?

Each Chromebook is engraved with a serial number that is specifically tied to a particular student. This information will be stored by the district so we can determine which Chromebook is assigned to which student.

Since my child's data and browsing history is in the Google Cloud, is it protected and private?

Google has made privacy and security commitments to education and they can be found at <https://www.google.com/edu/trust>

What kind of monitoring and device management is in place?

In compliance with state and federal regulations, the district utilizes CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) compliant filtering on campus. Parents should always monitor their student's internet activity. The district also uses third party solutions to monitor content for threats, violence, illegal activity, etc. Notifications come to district tech support and administration regarding suspicious activity and, when concerns are identified, disciplinary action and/or parent contact may occur. Students should be aware that there should be no expectation of privacy when using the district network or equipment.

Conditions for Chromebook usage are as follows

- 1.** Must comply with district's Acceptable Use Policy in addition to Chromebook Usage Policy
- 2.** May NOT attempt to remove or change the physical structure of the Chromebook including: keys, screen, asset tags, or any other means of identification (serial numbers or asset tags).
- 3.** Must not touch or apply pressure to the screen (e.g., your finger, pen, pencil, etc.)
- 4.** Cords, cables, and removable storage devices must be inserted carefully into the Chromebook.

5. If repairs are needed due to malicious damage or any other misuse, the school may refuse to provide a loaner Chromebook until financial costs are adequately addressed.

Acceptable Use Policy

Every student is given an Acceptable Use Policy agreement when the school year begins. Students must have a parent signature to access and use any technology at school. A district-wide filter has been installed to support safe Internet activity. This filter is in compliance with CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) guidelines.

Introduction

On the school network and on the Internet, you may participate in a variety of activities that support learning. With access to other networks and people around the world, you might have access to information that may not be appropriate. Cinnabar School District has taken measures to prevent access to inappropriate information. However, we cannot control all the information available on the Internet. The district is not responsible for other people's actions or the quality or content of information available through this service. We trust our students to know what is appropriate and inappropriate.

The following guidelines are intended to help you use the network appropriately. If you do not follow our use policies listed here, your privilege of using the network will be withdrawn. On the first offense, you will lose your Internet and/or device privileges for the current semester and the following one. On the second offense, you will lose Internet and/or device privileges permanently.

User Agreement

- The use of school and district networks must be in support of education, research, educational goals, and objectives of Cinnabar School District. You are personally responsible for this provision at all times when using the school network and its devices.
- Transmission of any material in violation of any United States statutes is prohibited. This includes (but is not limited to): copyrighted material, threatening or obscene material, material protected by trade secret, or material designed/intended for piracy including use of torrents, P2P networks, or any means of uploading/downloading any of the aforementioned.
- Be familiar with these rules before getting on-line. If you have any questions about these rules, please ask your teacher so you can understand. Be aware that inappropriate use of electronic information resources can be violation of school rules, local, state, and federal laws. Individuals violating these laws may be subject to prosecution.

Network Etiquette and Privacy

You are expected to abide by the generally acceptable rules of network:

- **BE POLITE:** Never send, or encourage others to send, abusive messages. Harassment in any form is strictly forbidden and will result in disciplinary action at the discretion of the school district.
- **USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE:** You are representative of your school and your district on a public system. Never swear, use vulgarities, or any other inappropriate language.

- **PRIVACY:** Do not reveal your home address, phone number, name or addresses of family members, or the names addresses or phone number of other students.
- **DISTRITUBION:** Do not use the network in any way that would disrupt the use of the network by others. This includes but is not limited to: deliberate means of traffic tampering, circumventing and/or modification of security policies.
- **REPRESENTATION:** Do not send anonymous messages or represent a message to have been written by another. All correspondence should be clearly identified as to its originator.
- **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE:** Usage of any AI services on student accounts or assignments is strictly prohibited.

Security

If you identify a security problem at the school, notify the system administrator at once. Never demonstrate the problem to others. Never use other individuals account. Never tell anyone else your password. Any user identified as a security risk will be denied access to the network and may be liable for disciplinary action or prosecution.

Vandalism

Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to physically deface, disable, or destroy computers, peripherals, or other network hardware or to harm or destroy data of another user or any agencies or networks that are connected to the system. Any vandalism will result in loss of network privileges, disciplinary action or possible legal referral.

Student Handbook Signature Page

Starting in the 2026/27 school year, the **Parent/Student Handbook** will be available online at www.cinnabar.org. You may request a paper copy by contacting the front office.

By signing below, you consent to have read the *Parent/Student Handbook* online, located at www.cinnabar.org.

Student Name(s): _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

By checking this box, you give permission:

- ☐ Walking Home Contract - Optional
- ☐ Home to School Bus Transportation - Must be within our District boundaries:
Address: _____.
- ☐ Parent Photograph Permission (check all that apply)
 - ☐ Yearbook
 - ☐ Website

☐ Media

Please RETURN the following forms to school:

- ☐ Student Emergency Contact Card for *each* student
- ☐ Annual Notice to Parent (last page only)
- ☐ National School Lunch Program (NSLP) - this application may qualify for EBT/SunBucks.
- ☐ ELOP (Before and After School Program - Optional)