

Damaged or Lost Instructional Materials

The Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) recognizes that instructional materials are an expensive resource and that each student is entitled to sufficient instructional materials in accordance with law. Instructional materials provided for use by students remain the property of SCOE. Students are responsible for returning borrowed materials in good condition, with no more wear and tear than usually results from normal use.

When materials are lost or so damaged that they are no longer usable, the student shall be immediately issued a replacement material. However, students or parents/guardians shall be responsible for reparation equal to the current replacement cost of the materials. When materials are damaged but still usable, the County Superintendent or designee shall determine an appropriate charge.

If it can be demonstrated to the Superintendent's or designee's satisfaction that the student has taken all reasonable precautions to safeguard instructional materials issued to him/her, the Superintendent or designee may excuse the student or parent/guardian from payment of reparation.

If reparation is not excused and not paid by the student or parent/guardian, SCOE may withhold the student's grades and transcripts in accordance with law, SCOE policy, and administrative regulation.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48904 Willful misconduct; limit of liability of parent or guardian

48904.3 Withholding grades, diplomas or transcripts of students causing property damage or injury

60119 Public hearing on sufficiency of materials

60411 Purchase and use; property of district

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Liability of parent or guardian for act of willful misconduct by a minor

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

305 Student responsible for care of property

Policy Cross-Reference:

1312.2 Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials

1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

3260 Fees and Charges

3515.4 Recovery for Property Loss or Damage

5125.2 Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts

5131.5 Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti

5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process

6161.1 Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials