



SAN RAMON VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Contra Costa County Grand Jury

Attn: Foreperson

P.O. Box 431

Martinez, CA 94553

RE: Response to Grand Jury Report No. 2008

Dear Foreperson:

In response to your letter dated June 10, 2020, the Governing Board of the San Ramon Valley Unified School District "District" provides this response to the following findings and recommendations in Grand Jury Report No. 2008- Do Our Public Schools Have Adequate Emergency Supplies?, as requested.

Findings:

Finding #1:

The California Education Code does not specify the type of supplies schools should maintain for emergencies.

Response to Finding #1:

The District agrees with the finding.

Finding #2:

Each Contra Costa County school district determines its own emergency preparedness plans (based on California State Education Department guidelines), including the amount and type of emergency supplies to maintain at its schools.

Response to Finding #2:

The District agrees with the finding.

Finding #3:

The Contra Costa County Office of Education posts on its website a recommended list (minimum standard list) of emergency supplies for school districts.

Response to Finding #3:

The District agrees with the finding.

Finding #4:

Some Contra Costa County school districts did not demonstrate that they maintain supplies in conformity with the Contra Costa County Office of Education minimum standard list.

Response to Finding #4:

The District partially disagrees with the finding. The District has not verified whether other school districts maintain supplies in conformity with the County Office of Education's minimum standard list.

Finding #5:

Some Contra Costa County school districts fund purchasing and replenishment of emergency supplies through their annual budgets, but most school districts in Contra Costa County fund them through parent or community donations.

Response to Finding #5:

The District partially disagrees with the finding. The District is not aware of how other school districts in Contra Costa County fund the purchase of emergency supplies.

Finding #6:

Contra Costa County school districts can apply for federal, state, corporate or non-profit organization grants to help pay the cost of acquiring and maintaining school emergency supplies.

Response to Finding #6:

The District agrees with the finding.

Finding #7:

Each Contra Costa County school district has either a designated safety/ resource officer or a school administrator who fills the safety/ resource officer role.

Response to Finding #7:

The District partially disagrees with the finding. The District has not verified the existence of an assigned safety/resource officer or school administrator being assigned to this role in every school district.

Finding #8:

There is no legal requirement that teachers renew CPR and First Aid certification training after teachers initially obtain their teaching credential.

Response to Finding #8:

The District agrees with the finding.

Recommendations:

Recommendation #3:

The Contra Costa County school district boards should consider applying for federal, state, corporate, and non-profit organization grants to fund the acquisition of school emergency supplies, by June 30, 2021.

Response to Recommendation #3:

This recommendation has been implemented. Where applicable, the District pursues available grant opportunities.

Recommendation #4:

Each Contra Costa County school district board should consider developing a plan to identify organizations that provide CPR and First Aid certification refresher training for district teachers, by December 31, 2020.

Response to Recommendation #4:

This recommendation has been implemented. The San Ramon Valley Unified School District has partnered with the Town of Danville, the City of San Ramon, and the San Ramon Valley Fire District to form the San Ramon Valley Emergency Preparedness Citizens Corp. A subcommittee of this group, the Heartsafe Committee works to increase the number of CPR trained residents in the community. First Aid courses are also available.

Recommendation #5:

Each Contra Costa County school district board should consider developing a plan to identify funding, if necessary, to provide CPR and First Aid certification refresher training for district teachers, by December 31, 2020.

Response to Recommendation #5:

This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not needed given our partnership with the organizations listed above. CPR and First aid training are provided through our ongoing partnership with these agencies.

This completes the District's response. Thank you.

Sincerely,



John Malloy
Superintendent

cc: Danny Hillman, Assistant Superintendent