PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of developing a system of internal control procedures in order to help fulfill its obligation to monitor and safeguard district resources. To facilitate warrant processing, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that purchasing, receiving, and payment functions are kept separate. He/she shall also ensure that invoices are paid expeditiously so that the district may, to the extent possible, take advantage of available discounts and avoid finance charges.

(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)
(cf. 3312 - Contracts)
(cf. 3314.2 - Revolving Funds)
(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)
(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

The Superintendent or designee shall sign all warrants and shall ensure that warrants have appropriate documentary support verifying that all goods and services to be paid for have been delivered or rendered in accordance with the purchase agreement.

The Board shall approve all warrants at a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

The district shall not be responsible for unauthorized purchases.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
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42630-42651 Orders, requisitions and warrants
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42810 Alternative revolving fund
42820 Prepayment funds

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE
685.010 Rate of interest

GOVERNMENT CODE
16.5 Digital signatures
5500-5506 Uniform Facsimile Signatures of Public Officials Act
8111.2 Definition of public entity

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE
7107 Retention proceeds; withholding; disbursement
9203 Payment for projects costing over $5000
20104.50 Timely progress payments

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2
22000-22005 Digital signatures
Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Maximizing School Board Governance: Budget Planning and Adoption, 2006
Maximizing School Board Governance: Understanding District Budgets, 2006
Maximizing School Board Governance: Fiscal Accountability, 2006
School Finance CD-ROM, 2005

WEB SITES
CSBA:  http://www.csba.org
California Secretary of State, digital signatures:  http://www.sos.ca.gov/digsig/digsig.htm
Fiscal Crisis Management & Assistance Team:  http://www.fcmat.org

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