

Emergency Response Plan

References: *Education Code Sections 32280 et seq. and 71095;*
 Government Code Sections 3100 and 8607(a);
 Homeland Security Act of 2002;
 National Fire Protection Association 1600;
 Homeland Security Presidential Directive-5; Executive Order S-2-05;
 19 California Code of Regulations Sections 2400-2450;
 34 Code of Federal Regulations 668.46(g)

The College District shall have emergency response and evacuation procedures for notifying the campus community in the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on the campus.

The Superintendent/President shall establish procedures that ensure that the College District implements a plan to be activated in the event of an emergency or the occurrence of a natural disaster or hazardous condition. This plan must comply with the National Incident Management System (NIMS), the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and should incorporate the functions and principles of the Incident Command System (ICS), the Master Mutual Aid Agreement (MMAA) and any other relevant programs. The plan must incorporate NIMS and SEMS to facilitate the coordination between and among agencies in the event of an emergency or natural disaster.

Compliance with NIMS and SEMS mandates include but are not limited to:

- Establishing disaster preparedness procedures or a plan; and
- Completion of training sessions by college personnel in compliance with NIMS and SEMS guidelines.

The NIMS and SEMS compliant Southwestern Community College District Emergency Response & Procedure Manual is posted on the College District website at [swccd.edu/About/SWC/CampusPolice/Emergency/Response and Procedures](http://swccd.edu/About/SWC/CampusPolice/Emergency/ResponseandProcedures).

College District personnel must be informed that as public employees, they are also disaster service workers during national, state, and local emergencies. The College District must ensure that its employees are in compliance with the disaster service worker oath requirements.

The Superintendent/President should ensure that a team is created to carry out compliance with NIMS and SEMS mandates. The responses to emergencies or natural disasters are organized by SEMS into five categories: field response, local government, operational areas, regions, and state.

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The plan should contain information regarding activation and chain of command responsibilities. Compliance with NIMS mandates requires planning and incorporation for all phases of emergency management including mitigation and prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. The College District must ensure that its plan is updated regularly.