

Animals as Part of the Instructional Program

The Board of Directors recognizes that under some circumstances animals may have an educational value in the school setting. At the same time, provisions must be made for the health, safety, and wellbeing of students, staff, and the animals. Health issues (allergies, vaccinated status of the animal) involving students and staff will be addressed before permission is given to allow the animal in school.

Requests to include animals in the instructional program of the classroom or school will be approved by the Principal before any animals are brought onto school grounds.

If the instructional program involving the animal is ongoing and the animal will remain at school when school is not in session, appropriate arrangements for the animal's care must be made.

Animals will not be transported in a school vehicle.

Animals that are part of the instructional program will be under the control of their adult-owner, the teacher or designated students at all times.

This policy does not apply to service animals for the disabled.

Adoption Date: 06.17
Lopez Island School District
Classification: Discretionary
Revised Dates: