The County Superintendent of Schools is committed to protecting students, employees, visitors, buildings, equipment, and grounds at the San Diego County Office of Education. Safety and security are a concern to everyone. In meeting this commitment, the County Superintendent of Schools and his/her designee(s) shall network with:

- Law enforcement agencies.
- Other security agencies.
- Community programs (i.e., Public Oriented Policing (POP) Program).

The County Superintendent of Schools establishes the following conditions to strengthen security and safety at the San Diego County Office of Education and offsite facilities of students, employees, and visitors.

**SECURITY GUARD**

A security guard shall patrol the grounds, perimeter, and parking lots at the San Diego County Office of Education being alert for unusual behavior or suspicious activity.

**SECURITY IDENTIFICATION BADGES**

All representatives of vendors and repair person(s) are required to register daily with the Maintenance and Operations Section and shall be issued a security identification badge before entering the offices, schools, or operations of the County Superintendent of Schools. Employees should question and/or report to the Maintenance and Operations Section any person(s) not wearing a security identification badge or anyone appearing suspicious found inside the facilities. The identification badge shall be returned to Maintenance and Operations when person(s) leave the premises.
KEYS AND KEY CARDS

1. All keys and key cards are issued by the Maintenance and Operations Section. A Request for Keys, Form No. 77, shall be submitted to the Maintenance and Operations Section for approval and issuance. Each authorized employee shall be trained in the use of the key card and security alarm system.

2. Keys and key cards shall be used only by authorized employees of the County Superintendent of Schools and shall never be loaned.

3. The employee issued a key and key card shall be responsible for their safekeeping. If a key or key card is lost, the employee responsible shall report the loss to Maintenance and Operations immediately.

4. The duplication of keys is prohibited. Duplicate keys may be obtained only through Maintenance and Operations Section.

ENTERING FACILITIES AFTERHOURS

1. The San Diego County Office of Education buildings are protected by a security alarm system which is monitored by a licensed security firm.

2. In order to protect the integrity of the San Diego County Office of Education and its assets, afterhours and weekend/holiday access is limited to authorized employees.

3. Employees staying after regular working hours, reentering the facilities after working hours, or returning on weekends/holidays will be responsible for closing the exterior doors and for extinguishing lights.

4. A key card is required for building access. The card shall be swiped at the designed access point and the employee shall sign the Afterhours Access Log. The security alarm system shall be reactivated with the key card by the last person to exist the building afterhours or on weekends/holidays. Employees should be alert to safe practices when entering the facilities afterhours and on weekends/holidays.

Legal Reference:

- **Education Code**
  - 1605, 32020, 32210, 32211, 35294 - 35294.5, 39670 - 39675

- **Penal Code**
  - 469, 626 - 626.10, 653(g)

- **California State Constitution**
  - Article 1, Section 28(c)