

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

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# CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## 105.3-AR-0. ANIMALS IN THE CLASSROOM FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

### Classroom/Laboratory Study

**Only animals/organisms purchased by the school from biological supply houses and/or reputable dealers shall be used in the classroom.**

**Animals belonging to staff or students may be housed or displayed in the classroom for educational purposes if the principal approves and receives assurance that the animal is not dangerous, is properly inoculated and is free from disease, and there is no indication that any child in that classroom is allergic to the animal.**

**If any student demonstrates allergic reactions to the animals, the animals shall be removed immediately from the classroom and the principal shall review the reintroduction and continued presence of the animal in the classroom.**

**Students at all grade levels may refuse to dissect, vivisect, incubate, capture or otherwise harm or destroy animals or any animal parts as part of their course of instruction in accordance with Board policy 105.2 and administrative regulations.**

### Care Of Animals In The Classroom

**Arrangements shall be made by the teacher for daily food and water, weekend and vacation maintenance, and proper temperature.**

**The teacher shall assure that proper housing be provided for animals. Locking devices are required.**

**Animals shall be maintained in optimum condition of health, comfort, and well-being.**

**No animal may be subject to any experiment or procedure, which interferes with its normal health or causes it pain, distress, or death.**

**Wild animals shall not be brought into school, unless part of an authorized program as approved by the principal.**

**General Regulations**

**Professional animal trainers or exhibitors shall provide proof of current liability insurance for personal injury in the amount of \$1,000,000.**

**The principal shall be responsible for providing reasonable safeguards for the protection of the students and animals when animals are in the school.**

**The nurse shall be notified immediately of any case of animal inflicted injuries. Police shall be contacted when necessary. The animal shall be kept and turned over to appropriate authorities.**