

The Anaheim Union High School District Board of Trustees is supportive of educational research which furthers the improvement of the educational process and the completion of district goals set by the Board of Trustees. However, this support is tempered by the rights of students and parents and by the consideration that instructional time is a resource to be managed by the classroom teacher and that the primary mission of the instructional day is learning.

Data collection techniques which require lengthy staff time to complete are discouraged.

Educational researchers must obtain permission from the Superintendent or designee in order to conduct any research in the school district.

The Superintendent will prepare procedures to implement this policy.

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GOAL: The goal(s) of the educational research question(s) must be closely aligned to the instructional goals of the Anaheim Union High School District. Those institutions with active collaborative partnerships with the district are given a priority because the research is directly linked to existing student need, to existing district goals or to specific program objectives.

REQUESTS: Requests to conduct research must be made at least 9 weeks prior to the conduct of any research to the Assistant Superintendent, Education. Requests must include:

1. Full name, address, and phone number of researcher.
2. Statement of the purpose of the research.
3. Statement of research hypothesis or research question.
4. Letter of support from educational adviser(s); professors of undergraduate students must include course title and degree objective in letter.
5. Description of research setting.
6. A complete copy of any data collection instrument is to be submitted at the time of the request.

APPROVAL: Requests to conduct research are approved on a case-by-case basis.

- Requests will not be granted during district testing periods
- During the opening or closing weeks of each semester or in those classes or schools where prior requests have taken instructional time during the school year.
- Requests will be denied if the research technique requires students to disclose personal/family information that is considered an infringement of privacy.
- Requests will be denied if the research provides data that is readily identified to an individual student, teacher, school, or district.
- All research results and related information must remain confidential