Behavior (California)

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The Behavior module provides tools for monitoring and recording behavior incidents, for creating letters for parents/guardians regarding student's behavior and for generating reports related to behavior.

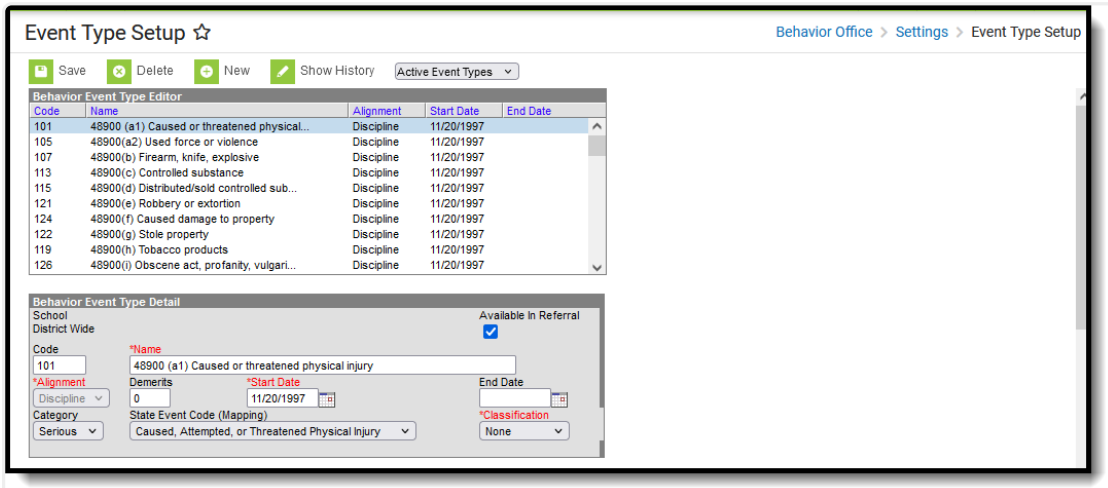
Behavior Admin fields that are specific to the state of California are described below.

Behavior Setup

The Behavior Admin tool is used to setup behavior events/incidents, resolutions, and responses. For all other inquiries, please visit the Event Types article.

Event Types

Tool Search: Event Type Setup



Behavior Event Type Setup

State Event Code (Mapping)

State Event Codes indicate the reason a student was subject to a disciplinary action. These are the official state codes to which all district-defined behavior events/incidents should be mapped. Behavior events/incidents that are not mapped to a state event code do NOT report.

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Database Location:

BehaviorEvent.StateEventCode

Ad Hoc Inquiries:

Student > Behavior > Behavior Event > stateEventCode (**behaviorDetail.stateEventCode**)

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Code	Description	Definition
100	Possession, Sale, Furnishing a Firearm	EC 48915(c)(1)Possessing, selling, or otherwise furnishing a firearm. This subdivision does not apply to an act of possessing a firearm if the pupil had obtained prior written permission to possess the firearm from a certificated school employee, which is concurred in by the principal or the designee of the principal. This subdivision applies to an act of possessing a firearm only if the possession is verified by an employee of a school district.
101	Possession, Sale, Furnishing a Firearm, Knife, Explosive, or Other Dangerous Object	EC 48900(b) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the pupil had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, which is concurred in by the principal or the designee of the principal.
102	Possession of an Imitation Firearm	EC 48900(m) Possessed an imitation firearm. As used in this section, imitation firearm means a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.
103	Brandishing a Knife	EC 48915(c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person.

Code	Description	Definition
104	Possession of a Knife or Dangerous Object	EC 48915(a)(1)(B) Possession of any knife or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil.
105	Possession of an Explosive	EC 48915(c)(5) Possession of an explosive
200	Sale of Controlled Substance	EC 48915(c)(3) Unlawfully selling a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code.
201	Possession of Controlled Substance	EC 48915(a)(1)(C) Unlawful possession of any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, except for the first offense for the possession of not more than one avoirdupois ounce of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis.
202	Possession, Use, Sale, or Furnishing a Controlled Substance, Alcohol, Intoxicant	EC 48900(c) Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of, any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind.
203	Offering, Arranging, or Negotiating Sale of Controlled Substances, Alcohol, Intoxicants	EC 48900(d) Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind, and either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the liquid, substance, or material as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant.
204	Possessing, Offering, Arranging, or Negotiating Sale of Drug Paraphernalia	EC 48900(j) Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia, as defined in Section 11014.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
205	Offering, Arranging, or Negotiating Sale of Soma	EC 48900(p): Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.

Code	Description	Definition
300	Possession or Use of Tobacco Products	EC 48900(h) Possessed or used tobacco, or any products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets, and betel. However, this section does not prohibit use or possession by a pupil of his or her own prescription products.
400	Sexual Battery	EC 48915(c)(4) committing a sexual battery as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 48900. 48900(n) committed a sexual battery as defined in Section 243.4 of the Penal Code.
401	Sexual Assault	EC 48915(c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 48900. 48900(n) committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Section 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a, or 289 of the Penal Code.
403	Sexual Harassment	EC 48900.2 and 212.5 For the purposes of this chapter, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This section shall not apply to pupils enrolled in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive. Sexual harassment means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, made by someone from or in the work or educational setting, under any of the following conditions: (a) Submission to the conduct is explicitly or implicitly made a term or a condition of an individual's employment, academic status, or progress. (b) Submission to, or rejection of, the conduct by the individuals used as the basis of employment or academic decisions affecting the individual. (c) The conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact upon the individual's work or academic performance, or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work or educational environment. (d) Submission to, or rejection of, the conduct by the individual is used as the basis for any decision affecting the individual regarding benefits and services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through the educational institution.
500	Caused Physical Injury	EC 48915(a)(1)(A) Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense.
501	Caused, Attempted, or Threatened Physical Injury	EC 48900(a)(1) Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened serious physical injury to another person.

Code	Description	Definition
502	Aided or Abetted Physical Injury	EC 48900(t) A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may suffer suspension, but not expulsion, pursuant to this section, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury shall be subject to discipline pursuant to subdivision (a).
503	Committed Assault or Battery on a School Employee	EC 48915(a)(1)(E) Assault or battery, as defined in Sections 240 and 242 of the Penal Code, upon any school employee.
504	Used Force or Violence	EC 48900(a)(2) Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense.
505	Committed an act of Hate Violence	EC 48900.3: In addition to the reasons set forth in Sections 48900 and 48900.2, a pupil in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive, may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of, hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233.
506	Harassment or Intimidation	EC 48900.4: In addition to the grounds specified in Sections 48900 and 48900.2, a pupil enrolled in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive, may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has intentionally engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation, directed against school district personnel or pupils, that is sufficiently severe or pervasive to have the actual and reasonably expected effect of materially disrupting classwork, creating substantial disorder, and invading the rights of either school personnel or pupils by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment.
507	Harassment, Intimidation of a Witness	EC 48900(o) Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or a witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for the purpose of either preventing that pupil from being a witness or retaliating against that pupil for being a witness, or both.

Code	Description	Definition
508	Made Terrorist Threats	EC 48900.7 - (a) In addition to the reasons specified in Sections 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, and 48900.4, a pupil may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has made terroristic threats against school officials or school property, or both. (b) For the purposes of this section, terroristic threat shall include any statement, whether written or oral, by a person who willfully threatens to commit a crime which will result in death, great bodily injury to another person, or property damage in excess of one thousand dollars ($1,000), with the specific intent that the statement is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, which, on its face and under the circumstances in which it is made, is so unequivocal, unconditional, immediate, and specific as to convey to the person threatened, a gravity of purpose and an immediate prospect of execution of the threat, and thereby causes that person reasonably to be in sustained fear for his or her own safety or for his or her immediate family's safety, or for the protection of school district property, or the personal property of the person threatened or his or her immediate family.
509	Hazing	EC 48900(q) Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing as defined in CA Education Code Section 32050
510	Obscene Acts, Profanity, and Vulgarity	EC 48900(i) Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
511	Disruption, Defiance	EC 48900(k) Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
512	Property Damage	EC 48900(f) Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property.
513	Bullying	EC 48900 (r): Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act, as defined in subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 32261, directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel.
600	Robbery or Extortion	EC 48915(a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion. 48900(e) Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion. Robbery or extortion.
601	Property Theft	EC 48900(g) Stolen or attempted to steal school property or private property.
602	Received Stolen Property	EC 48900(l) Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.

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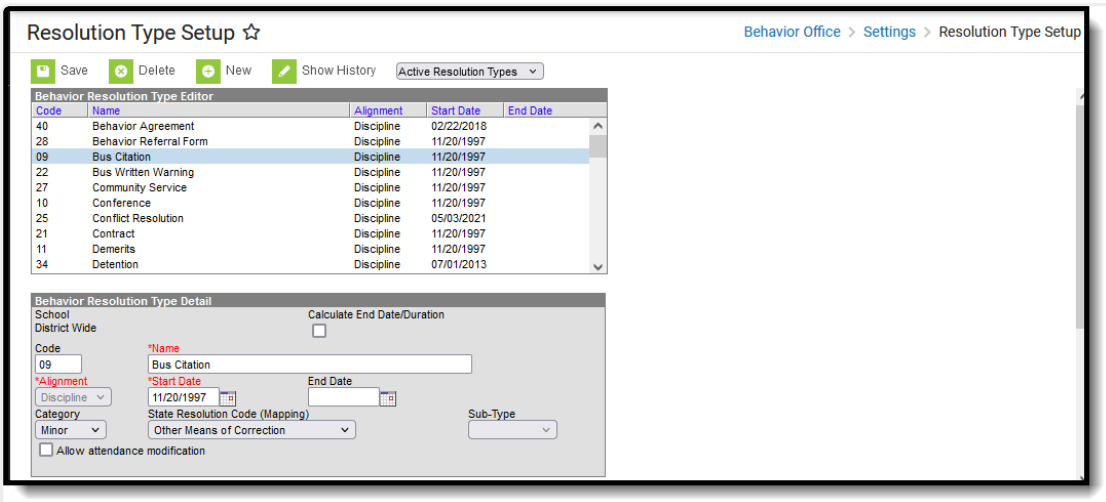
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Resolution Types

Tool Search: Resolution Type Setup



Behavior Resolution Type Setup

State Resolution Code (Mapping)

State Resolution Codes indicate the type of disciplinary action taken for a student. These are the official state codes to which all district-defined behavior resolutions should be mapped. Behavior resolutions that are not mapped to a state event code do NOT report.

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Code	Description	Definition

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100	Suspension	Education Code Section 48925(d) removal of a pupil from ongoing instruction for adjustment purposes. However, suspension does not mean any of the following: (1) Reassignment to another education program or class at the same school where the pupil will receive continuing instruction for the length of day prescribed by the governing board for pupils of the same grade level. (2) Referral to a certificated employee designated by the principal to advise pupils. (3) Removal from the class, but without reassignment to another class or program, for the remainder of the class period without sending the pupil to the principal or the principal's designee as provided in Section 48910. Removal from a particular class shall not occur more than once every five schooldays.
110	In-School Suspension	Determined and established by local districts as a supervised in-school suspension classroom for students who are suspended and do not pose an imminent danger or threat or have not been recommended for expulsion as provided in Education Code Section 48911.1.
200	Expulsion	Education Code Section 48925(b) removal of a pupil from (1) the immediate supervision and control, or (2) the general supervision, of school personnel, as those terms are used in (Education Code) Section 46300.
300	Other Means of Correction or No Action	An individual was involved with a specific incident but was disciplined with an action other than suspension or expulsion (including no disciplinary action at all).
400	No Action	An individual committed an offense as defined in Education Code 48900 or 48915, was not suspended or expelled, and the matter was addressed with no disciplinary action at all.
501	Physical Restraint	The use of a personal restriction that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a pupil to move his or her torso, arms, legs, or head freely when a pupil presents an immediate danger to self or to others as defined by Education Code Section 49005.1. It does not include a physical escort, which means a temporary touching or holding of the hand, wrist, arm, shoulder, or back for the purpose of inducing a pupil who is acting out to walk to a safe location.
502	Mechanical Restraint	The use of a device or equipment to restrict a pupils freedom of movement when a pupil presents an immediate danger to self or to others as defined by Education Code section 49005.1.
600	Seclusion	The involuntary confinement of a pupil alone in a room or area from which the pupil is physically prevented from leaving. “Seclusion” does not include a timeout, which is a behavior management technique that is part of an approved program, that involves the monitored separation of the pupil in a nonlocked setting, and is implemented for the purpose of calming.

Code	Description	Definition
700	School-related Arrest	A student, as a result of an incident, was referred to and arrested by law enforcement.
800	Law Enforcement Referral	A student, as a result of an incident, was referred to law enforcement without being arrested. This includes citations and court appearances.

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BehaviorResolution.StateResCode

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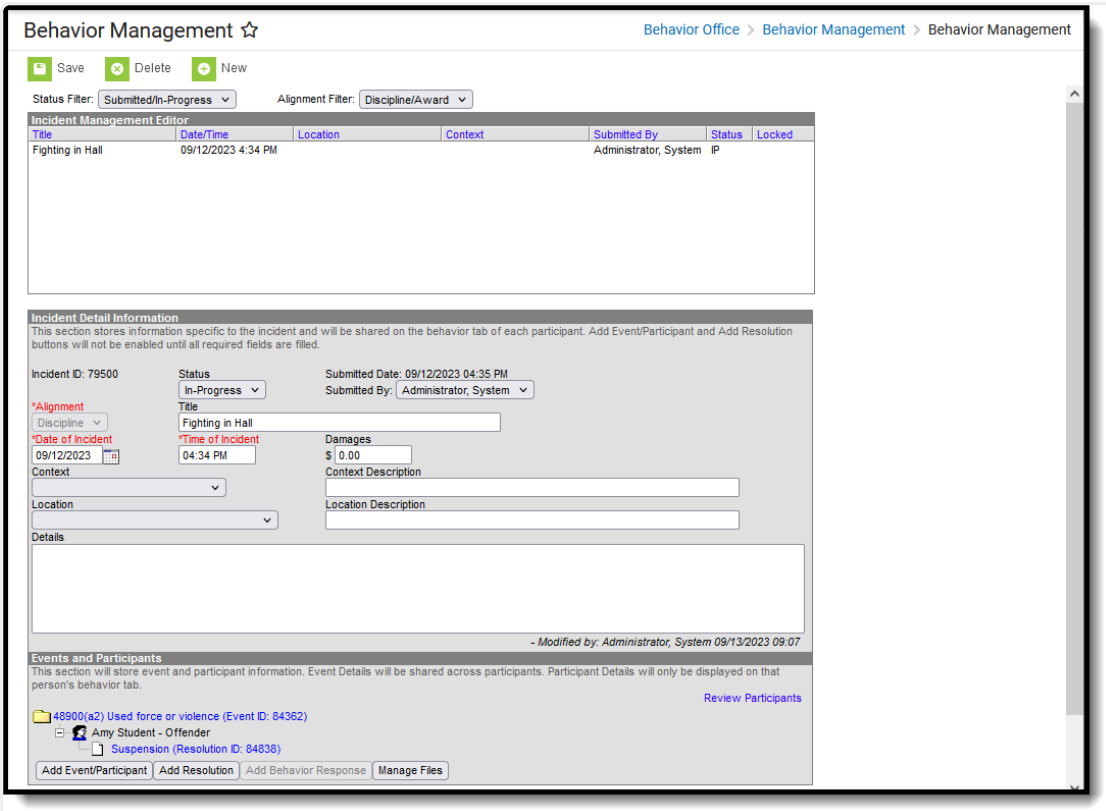
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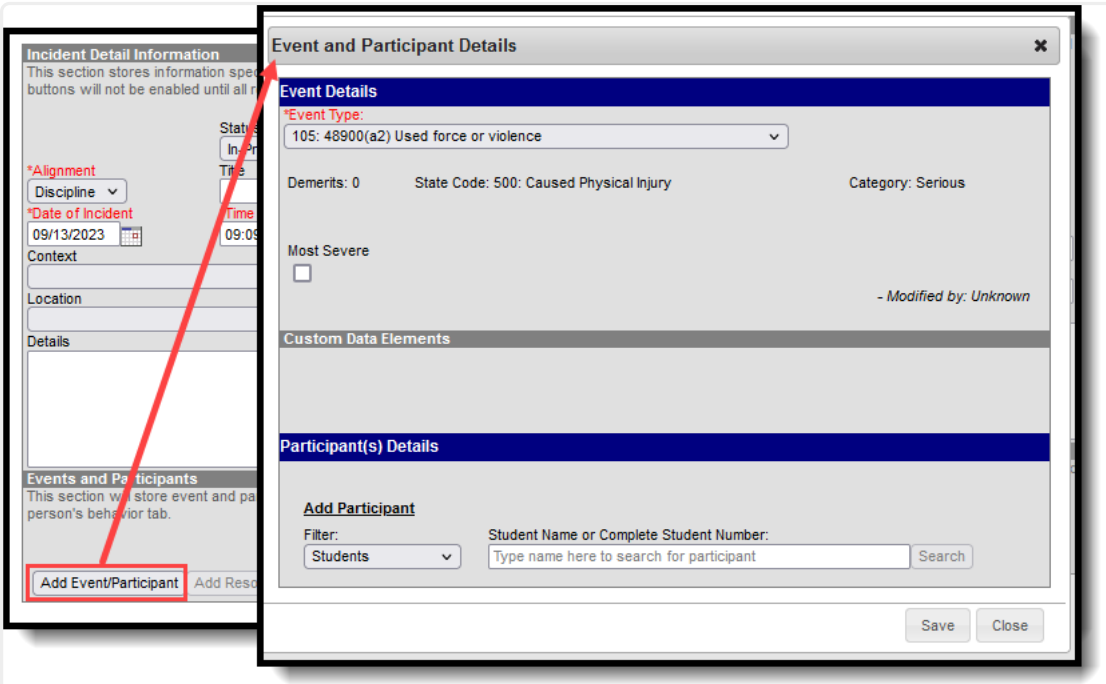
Tool Search: Behavior Management

Behavior Management fields that are specific to the state of California are described below. For all other inquiries, please visit the Behavior Management article .



Behavior Management Record

Event Details



Event and Participant Details

Most Severe

Checking this box indicates the Student Offense that has been designated by the local educational agency as having the highest degree of severity as compared to any other Offenses that occurred in the same incident.

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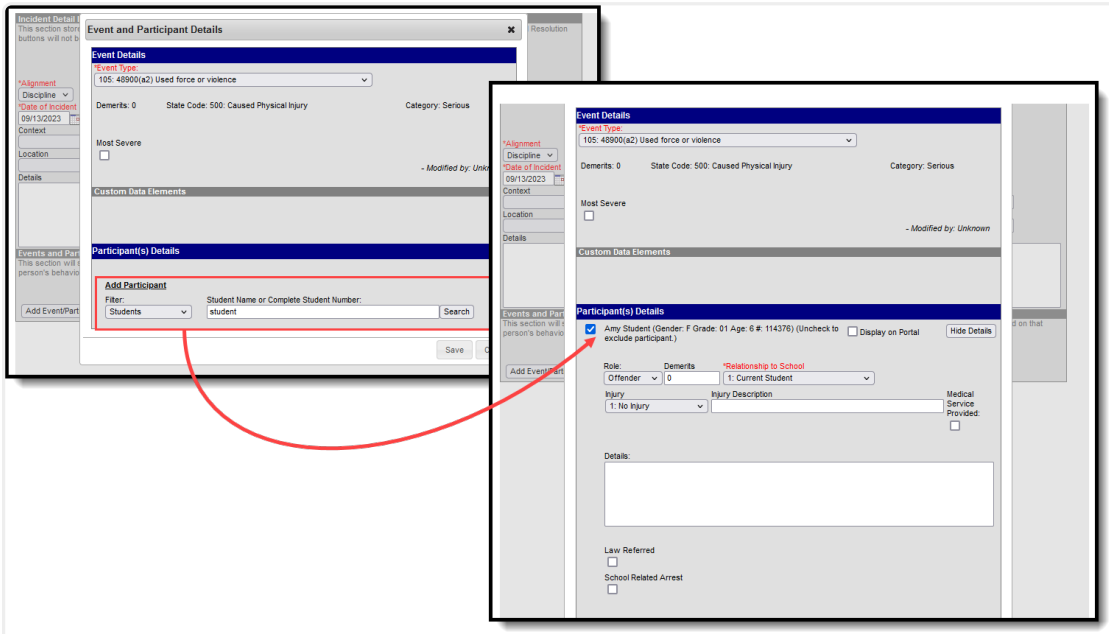
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Participant Details

Behavior Management Participant fields that are specific to the state of California are described below. For all other inquiries, see how to Add Participants to a Behavior Incident .



Participant Details Editor

Law Referred

Law Referred is used only for district-tracking purposes and is not used for state reporting.

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Database Location:

BehaviorRole.lawReferred

Ad Hoc Inquiries:

Student > Behavior > Behavior Role > lawReferred (**behaviorDetail.mostSevere**)

School Related Arrest

School Related Arrest is used only for district-tracking purposes and is not used for state reporting.

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Database Location:

BehaviorRole. schoolRelatedArrest

Ad Hoc Inquiries:

Student > Behavior > Behavior Role > schoolRelatedArrest (**behaviorDetail.schoolRelatedArrest**)

Weapon

A coded value representing the Weapon Category. A Weapon Category is category describing which type of firearm or other weapon was used in an incident occurring within the jurisdiction of a local educational agency. This is the weapon (if any) used by the specific student and for the specific offense being reported.

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Code	Description	Definition
10	Handgun	A firearm that can be used with one hand.
20	Shotgun or Rifle	A firearm with a rifled bore, designed to be fired from the shoulder or a smooth-bore gun that fires shot over short ranges

Code	Description	Definition
30	Other Firearm	As defined in 18 USC 921, including any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of any explosive; the frame or receiver of handguns and rifles/shotguns; any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; any destructive device, which includes (a) any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas (1) bomb, (2) grenade, (3) rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, (4) missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce, (5) mine, or (6) similar device; (b) any weapon which will, or which may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or other propellant, and which has any barrel with a bore of more than one-half inch in diameter; (c) any combination or parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device, and from which a destructive device may be readily assembled.
40	Other Weapon	Includes any other weapon not included in codes 10- 30. This category should NOT be used for imitation firearms.
50	Multiple Weapons with Firearm	More than one weapon, one or more of which was a firearm, was used by a single student during an Offense.

Database Location:

BehaviorWeapon.weaponType

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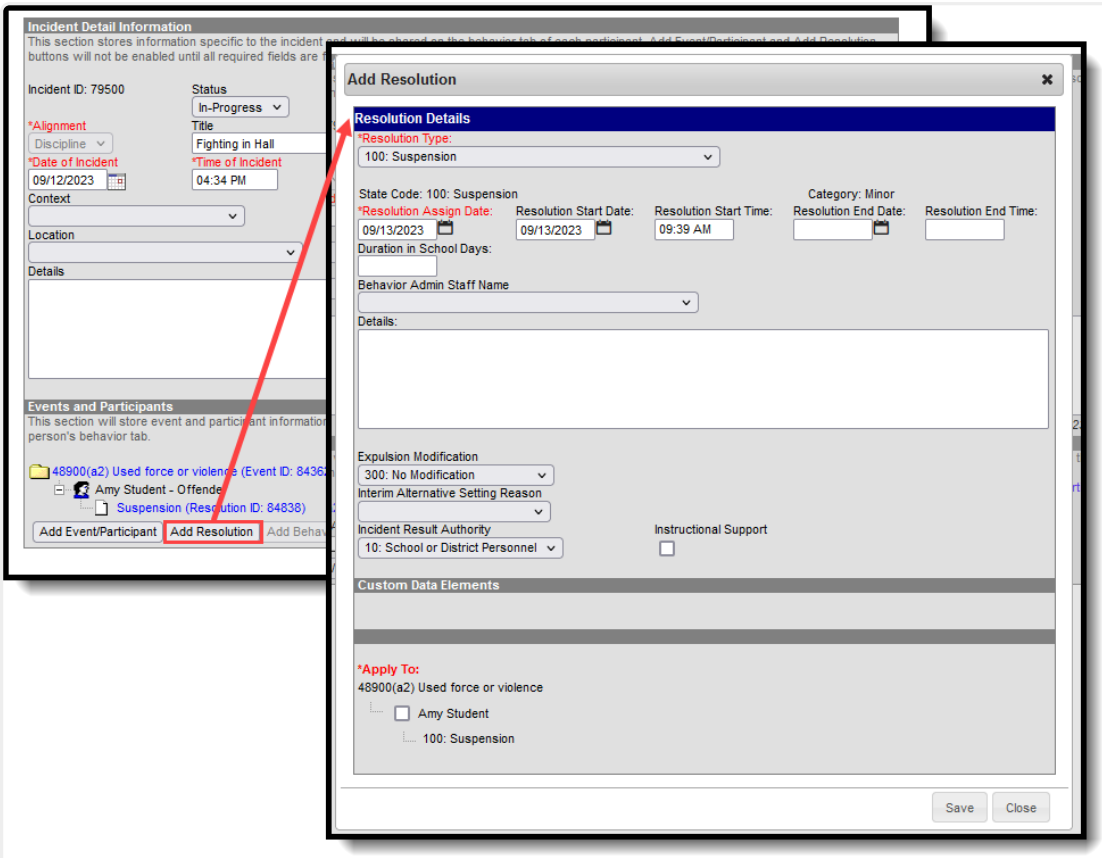
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Behavior Resolution Fields

Behavior Management Resolution fields that are specific to the state of California are described below. For all other inquiries, see how to Add a Behavior Resolution .



Behavior Resolution Detail Editor

Expulsion Modification

A coded value representing the Expulsion Modification Category. An Expulsion Modification Category is a category describing a modification made to an expulsion order, such as shortening the term of the expulsion.

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Database Location:

BehaviorResolution.modificationReason

Ad Hoc Inquiries:

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Interim Alternative Setting Reason

A coded value representing the reason a student was removed to an interim alternative setting for

45-days or less.

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Code	Description	Definition
1	Hearing Officer Removal	The student was removed by an impartial hearing officer based on a determination that the student's current placement may result in injury to the child or others.
2	School Personnel Removal	The student was removed by school personnel (other than the IEP team) to an interim alternative educational setting for no more than 45 days.
3	No Removal	The student was not removed and placed in an interim alternative educational setting.

Database Location:

BehaviorResolution.altPlacement

Ad Hoc Inquiries:

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Disciplinary Action Authority

A coded value representing the Disciplinary Action Authority. A Disciplinary Action Authority is an agency which authorizes any disciplinary action against a student.

When a student is Special-Ed eligible, and the reported resolution does NOT equal *300: No Suspension or Expulsion*, this option IS required.

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Code	Description	Definition
10	School or District Personnel	Personnel located at a school or district
20	Court Order	An order by a court of law including but not limited to a juvenile court judge
30	Hearing Officer	An appointed impartial official including but not limited to a correctional or judicial officer

Code	Description	Definition
40	Local Governing Board	The local school board or equivalent

Database Location:

BehaviorResolution.auxiliaryCode

Ad Hoc Location:

Student > Behavior > Behavior Resolution > auxiliaryCode (**behaviorDetail.auxiliaryCode)**

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Instructional Support

Checking this option indicates a student is receiving instructional support from the local educational agency during a disciplinary action.

When a student is Special-Ed eligible, and the reported resolution does NOT equal *300: No Suspension or Expulsion*, this option IS required.

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