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**Board Policy**  
Chapter 2 – Board of Trustees

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**BP 2432 SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT SUCCESSION**

1. The Board of Trustees delegates authority to the Superintendent/President to appoint an acting Superintendent/President to serve in his/her absence for short periods of time, not to exceed 30 calendar days at a time.
2. In the absence of the Superintendent/President and when an acting Superintendent/President has not been named, administrative responsibility shall reside with:

Executive Vice-President  
Vice-President, Business and Administration  
Vice-President, Academic Affairs  
Vice-President, Human Resources  
Vice-President, Student Affairs

3. If the absence exceeds three consecutive months, the Board shall appoint an acting or interim Superintendent/President.
4. In the case of resignation, retirement, or death of the Superintendent/President, the Board shall establish a search process. The Board may appoint an interim Superintendent/President.

**References:**

Education Code Sections 70902(d) and 72400;  
Title 5 Section 53021(b)

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