

CONSULTANTS

The Board of Trustees authorizes the use of consultants to provide expert professional advice or specialized technical or training services which are not needed on a continuing basis and which cannot be provided by district staff because of limitations of time, experience or knowledge. Individuals, firms or organizations employed as consultants may assist management with decisions and/or project development related to financial, economic, accounting, engineering, legal, administrative, instructional or other matters.

As part of the contract process, the Superintendent or designee shall determine, in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines, that the consultant is properly classified as an independent contractor. District employees who perform extra-duty consultant services shall not be retained as independent contractors. They shall be considered employees for all purposes, even if the additional services are not related to their regular duties.

All qualified firms or resource persons shall be accorded equal opportunity for consultant contracts regardless of race, creed, color, gender, national or ethnic origin, age or disability.

When employees of a public university, county office of education or other public agency serve as consultant or resource persons for the district, they shall certify as part of the consultant agreement that they will not receive salary or remuneration other than vacation pay from any other public agency for the specific days when they work for this district.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

10400-10407 Cooperative improvement programs

17596 Limit on continuing contracts

35010 Control of districts; prescription and enforcement of rules

35172 Promotional activities

35204 Contract with attorney

44925 Part-time readers employed as independent contractors

45103 Classified service in districts not incorporating the merit system

45103.5 Contracts for food service consulting services

45134-45135 Employment of retired classified employee

45256 Merit system districts; classified service; positions established for professional experts on a temporary basis

GOVERNMENT CODE

53060 Contract for special services and advice