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#### CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Chualar, California BP 6171(a)

# TITLE I PROGRAMS

In order to improve the academic achievement of students from economically disadvantaged families, the district shall use federal Title I funds to provide supplementary services that reinforce the core curriculum and assist students in attaining proficiency on state academic standards and assessments.

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(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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The district shall develop a written parent involvement policy in accordance with 20 USC 6318.

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(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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# **Local Educational Agency Plan**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall consult with teachers, administrators, other appropriate school personnel, and parents/guardians of participating students in the development, periodic review, and, as necessary, the revision of a local educational agency (LEA) plan. The plan and any revisions shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval. (20 USC 6312)

The plan shall address the components specified in 20 USC 6312, which describe the assessments, strategies, and services the district will use to help low-achieving students meet challenging academic standards.

The initial plan shall be submitted to the California Department of Education (CDE) and approved by the State Board of Education. Subsequent revisions of the plan shall be kept on file in the district.

# **Program Evaluation**

The Board shall use state assessment results and other available measures or indicators to annually determine whether each participating school is making adequate yearly progress toward ensuring that all students meet the state's proficient level of achievement on state assessments. (20 USC 6316)

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(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)
(cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
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Legal Reference: (see next page)

# **TITLE I PROGRAMS** (continued)

# Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

11503 Parent involvement programs in Title I schools

52055.57 Districts identified or at risk of identification for program improvement

54020-54028 Economic Impact Aid

54420-54425 State Compensatory Education

64001 Single plan for student achievement, consolidated application programs

#### UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6301 Program purpose

6311-6322 Improving basic programs for disadvantaged students, including:

6312 Local educational agency plan

6313 Eligibility of schools and school attendance areas; funding allocation

6314 Title I schoolwide programs

6315 Targeted assistance schools

6316 School improvement

6318 Parent involvement

6320 Participation of private school students

6321 Comparability of services

7881 Participation of private school students

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

200.1-200.79 Improving basic programs for disadvantaged students

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**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov/iasa/titleone

No Child Left Behind: http://www.ed.gov/nclb U.S. Department of Education: http://www.ed.gov

# Policy CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# **Schoolwide Programs**

The district operates a Title I schoolwide program in order to upgrade the entire educational program of the school. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall inform the parents/guardians of the school's eligibility and its ability to consolidate funds from federal, state, and local sources for program purposes. (20 USC 6312, 6314)

The Superintendent/Principal shall develop and annually review and update a single plan for student achievement which incorporates the plan required by 20 USC 6314 for reforming the school's total instructional program and plans required by other categorical programs included in the state's consolidated application. (Education Code 64001; 20 USC 6314)

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
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The district's Title I program shall include: (20 USC 6314)

1. A comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school, including the needs of migrant students, which includes the achievement of students in relation to state academic content and achievement standards

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)
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- 2. Schoolwide reform strategies that:
  - a. Provide opportunities for all students to meet the state's proficient and advanced levels of achievement
  - b. Use effective methods and instructional strategies, based on scientifically based research, that strengthen the school's core academic program, increase the amount and quality of learning time, help provide an enriched and accelerated curriculum, and include strategies for meeting the educational needs of historically underserved populations

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(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)
(cf. 6112 - School Day)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
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c. Include strategies to address the needs of all students in the school, but particularly the needs of low-achieving students and those at risk of not meeting state achievement standards who are members of the target population of any program that is part of the schoolwide program

# TITLE I PROGRAMS (continued)

Such strategies may include counseling, student services, mentoring services, college and career awareness and preparation, and the integration of vocational and technical education programs.

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(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
(cf. 6164.5 - Student Success Teams)
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- d. Address how the school will determine if student needs have been met
- e. Are consistent with and designed to implement state and local improvement plans, if any

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(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)
(cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts)
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3. Instruction by highly qualified teachers

(cf. 4112.24 - Teacher Qualifications Under the No Child Left Behind Act)

4. High-quality and ongoing professional development for teachers, the Superintendent/Principal, paraprofessionals, and, if appropriate, student services personnel, other staff, and parents/guardians to enable all students in the school to meet state academic achievement standards

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4222 - Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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5. Strategies to attract high-quality, highly qualified teachers to the school

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(cf. 4111 - Recruitment and Selection)
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6. Strategies to increase parent involvement

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(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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7. Plans for assisting preschool children in the transition from early childhood programs to elementary school programs

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(cf. 6300 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)
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8. Measures to include teachers in decisions regarding the use of academic assessments to provide information on and to improve the achievement of individual students and the overall instructional program

# **TITLE I PROGRAMS** (continued)

9. Activities to ensure that students who experience difficulty mastering the proficient and advanced levels of academic standards shall be provided with effective, timely additional assistance, which shall include measures for timely identification of students' difficulties and provision of sufficient information on which to base effective assistance

(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

10. Coordination and integration of federal, state, and local services and programs

The district's program shall: (20 USC 6315)

- 1. Use program resources to help participating students meet state academic achievement standards expected for all students
- 2. Ensure that program planning is incorporated into existing school planning
- 3. Use effective methods and instructional strategies, based on scientifically based research, that strengthen the core academic program, give primary consideration to providing extended learning time, help provide an accelerated, high-quality curriculum, and minimize removing students from the regular classroom during regular school hours for instruction provided by Title I
- 4. Coordinate with and support the regular education program, which may include services to assist preschool students in the transition to elementary school programs
- 5. Provide instruction by highly qualified teachers
- 6. Provide opportunities for professional development for teachers, paraprofessionals, and, if appropriate, student services personnel, other staff, and parents/guardians who work with participating students

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# TITLE I PROGRAMS (continued)

- 7. Provide strategies to increase parent involvement
- 8. Coordinate and integrate federal, state, and local services and programs

# **Participation of Private School Students**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide or contract to provide special educational services or other Title I benefits to eligible private school students residing in the

district. Such services and benefits shall be provided on an equitable basis with participating public school students. (20 USC 6320, 7881)

Teachers, other educational personnel, and families of participating private school students shall have an opportunity to participate, on an equitable basis, in parent involvement activities and professional development pursuant to 20 USC 6318 and 6319. (20 USC 6320, 7881)

Each year the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall contact officials of private schools with students who reside within district boundaries, regardless of whether the private school they attend is located within the district or whether or not those officials have previously indicated any interest in program participation.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall consult, in a meaningful and timely manner, with appropriate private school officials during the design and development of the district's Title I program. Such consultation shall occur before the district makes any decision that affects the opportunities of eligible private school students to participate in Title I programs and shall include a discussion of: (20 USC 6320, 7881; 34 CFR 200.63)

- 1. How the needs of private school students will be identified
- 2. What services will be offered
- 3. How, where, and by whom the services will be provided
- 4. How the services will be academically assessed and how assessment results will be used to improve those services
- 5. The size and scope of the equitable services to be provided to private school students and the proportion of funds that is allocated for such services
- 6. The method or sources of data that are used to determine the number of students from low-income families in participating school attendance areas who attend private schools

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# **TITLE I PROGRAMS** (continued)

- 7. How and when the district will make decisions about the delivery of service to such students, including a thorough consideration and analysis of the views of private school officials on the provision of services through a third-party provider
- 8. How, if the district disagrees with the views of private school officials on the provision of services through a third-party provider, the district will provide to private school officials a written analysis of the reasons that the district has chosen not to use a contractor

Meetings between district and private school officials shall continue throughout implementation and assessment of services. (20 USC 6320)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall maintain, and shall provide to the California Department of Education upon request, a written affirmation signed by officials of each participating private school that consultation has occurred. (20 USC 6320)

If the private school officials do not provide such affirmation within a reasonable period of time, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall maintain records of the consultation or the offer of consultation.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee also shall maintain records documenting that:

- 1. The needs of private school teachers and/or private school students were identified.
- 2. The funds made available were equitable to those allocated for public school students and teachers.
- 3. The district's program met the needs of the private school teachers and/or private school students.
- 4. The district made efforts to resolve any complaints made by private school representatives.

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CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Chualar, California BP 6172(a)

#### GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM

**Cautionary Notice:** As added and amended by SBX3 4 (Ch. 12, Third Extraordinary Session, Statutes of 2009) and ABX4 2 (Ch. 2, Fourth Extraordinary Session, Statutes of 2009), Education Code 42605 grants districts flexibility in "Tier 3" categorical programs. The Chualar Union Elementary School District has accepted this flexibility and thus is deemed in compliance with the statutory or regulatory program and funding requirements for these programs for the 2008-09 though 2012-2013 fiscal years. As a result, the district may temporarily suspend certain provisions of the following policy or regulation that reflect these requirements. For further information, please contact the Superintendent/Principal or designee.

The Board of Trustees believes that all students deserve an education that challenges them to meet their fullest potential. The Board shall provide gifted and talented students in grades K-8 opportunities for learning commensurate with their particular abilities and talents.

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(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0420.1 - School-Based Program Coordination)
(cf. 6000 - Concepts and Roles)
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The Board shall approve a district plan for gifted and talented education (GATE) which meets criteria established by the State Board of Education for program approval.

The district's program shall be designed to provide articulated learning experiences across subjects and grade levels and shall be aligned with and extend the state academic content standards and curriculum frameworks.

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)
(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)
(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)
(cf. 6142.92 - Mathematics Instruction)
(cf. 6142.93 - Science Instruction)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
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# **Identification of Gifted and Talented Students**

Students may be identified for the GATE program on the basis of demonstrated or potential abilities in any one or more of the following categories: (Education Code 52202; 5 CCR 3822)

- 1. Intellectual Ability: The student demonstrates extraordinary or potential for extraordinary intellectual development.
- 2. Creative Ability: The student characteristically perceives unusual relationships among aspects of the student's environment and among ideas, overcomes obstacles to thinking and doing, and/or produces unique solutions to problems.
- 3. Specific Academic Ability: The student functions at highly advanced academic levels in particular subject areas.

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- 4. Leadership Ability: The student displays the characteristic behaviors necessary for extraordinary leadership.
- 5. High Achievement: The student consistently produces advanced ideas and products and/or attains exceptionally high scores on achievement tests.

6. Performing and Visual Arts Talent: The student originates, performs, produces, or responds at extraordinarily high levels in the arts.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 6142.6 - Visual and Performing Arts Education)
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# **Instructional Components**

The district's GATE program may include special day classes, part-time groupings, and cluster groupings which shall be planned and organized as an integrated, differentiated learning experience within the regular school day. This program may be augmented or supplemented with other differentiated activities related to the core curriculum using such strategies as independent study, acceleration, postsecondary education, and enrichment. (Education Code 52206; 5 CCR 3840)

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(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
(cf. 6141.5 - Advanced Placement)
(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)
(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)
(cf. 6172.1 - Concurrent Enrollment in College Classes)
(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
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GATE students may regularly participate, on a planned basis, in special counseling or instructional activity during or outside of the regular school day in order to benefit from additional educational opportunities not provided in the regular classroom. (5 CCR 3840)

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(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
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In addition, the district may provide specialized services designed to assist underachieving, linguistically diverse, culturally diverse, and/or economically disadvantaged GATE students to achieve at levels commensurate with their abilities. (5 CCR 3840)

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(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
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The district's GATE program shall include an academic component and, as appropriate, instruction in basic skills for each student. (Education Code 52206)

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The district's program shall support the social and emotional development of GATE students in order to increase responsibility, self-awareness, and social awareness and adjustment.

Staff development shall be provided to support teachers of GATE students in understanding the unique learning styles and abilities of these students and in developing appropriate instructional strategies.

# **Advisory Committee**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall appoint an advisory committee to support the needs of the GATE program and to assist in program planning, implementation, and evaluation. The committee shall include the district's program coordinator, certificated staff, parents/guardians of GATE students, community members, and students as appropriate.

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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# **Program Evaluation**

The Board shall annually review the progress of students enrolled in the district's GATE program and administration of the program using methods identified in the district's GATE plan, and may require modifications in the program as indicated by the results of this review. (5 CCR 3831)

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
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# **GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM** (continued)

Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

37223 Weekend classes for mentally gifted minors 41500-41573 Categorical education block grants 48800-48802 Enrollment of gifted students in community college 51740 Instruction by correspondence 51745-51749.3 Independent study programs

52200-52212 Gifted and talented education program

52800-52887 School-Based Program Coordination

64000 Categorical programs included in consolidated application

64001 Single plan for student achievement, consolidated application programs

76000-76002 Enrollment in community college

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

1633 Instruction by correspondence

3820-3870 Gifted and talented education program

#### Management Resources:

#### CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR THE GIFTED PUBLICATIONS

GATE Standards Workbook: A Guide to Design, Improve and Assess Gifted Programs, 2005

Meeting the Standards: A Guide to Developing Services for Gifted Students, 2002

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Gifted and Talented Education Program Resource Guide, rev. 2005

Recommended Standards for Programs for Gifted and Talented Students, rev. 2005

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

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California Department of Education, Gifted and Talented Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/gt Council for Exceptional Children, The Association for the Gifted (CEC-TAG): http://www.cectag.org

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# GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM

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# **Definitions**

A gifted and talented student is a student enrolled in a public school who is identified as possessing demonstrated or potential abilities that give evidence of high performance capability in categories selected by the Board of Trustees. (Education Code 52201)

A *highly gifted student* is one who has achieved a measured intelligence quotient of 150 or more points on an assessment of intelligence administered by qualified personnel or has demonstrated extraordinary aptitude and achievement in language arts, mathematics, science, or other academic subjects, as evaluated and confirmed by both the student's teacher and Superintendent/Principal. Highly gifted students shall generally constitute not more than one percent of the student population. (Education Code 52201)

A *special day class* for gifted and talented students consists of one or more classes totaling a minimum school day where each class: (5 CCR 3840)

- 1. Is composed of students identified as gifted and talented
- 2. Is designed to meet the specific academic needs of gifted and talented students for enriched or advanced instruction and is appropriately differentiated from other classes in the same subjects at the school
- 3. Is taught by a teacher who has specific preparation, experience, personal attributes, and competencies in the teaching of gifted children

A *part-time grouping* is one in which students attend classes or seminars that are organized to provide advanced or enriched subject matter for a part of the school day and those classes are composed of identified gifted and talented students. (5 CCR 3840)

A *cluster grouping* is one in which students are grouped within a regular classroom setting and receive appropriately differentiated activities from the regular classroom teacher. (5 CCR 3840)

*Independent study* provides additional instructional opportunities supervised by a certificated district employee through special tutors or mentors or through enrollment in correspondence courses specified in Education Code 51740 and 5 CCR 1633. (5 CCR 3840)

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(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)

Acceleration means that students are placed in grades or classes more advanced than those of their chronological age group and are provided special counseling and/or instruction outside the regular classroom in order to facilitate their advanced work. (5 CCR 3840)

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(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
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Enrichment activities are supplemental educational activities that augment students' regular educational programs in their regular classrooms. Students use advanced materials and/or receive special opportunities from persons other than the regular classroom teacher. (5 CCR 3840)

# **Program Coordinator**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall appoint a district coordinator for the gifted and talented education (GATE) program who has demonstrated experience and knowledge in gifted education and/or has opportunities to gain or continue such experience and knowledge.

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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Responsibilities of the district's GATE coordinator shall include program development and implementation, identification procedures, fiscal management, and the collection of auditable records for evaluation. (Education Code 52212)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee also may appoint a GATE coordinator who shall be responsible for implementation of program services at that school site.

# Program Plan

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall develop a written plan which describes the differentiated curricula for the program and the methods used to examine the appropriateness of participating students' total educational experience. The plan shall include the components specified in 5 CCR 3831. (5 CCR 3831)

Whenever the school's GATE program is incorporated into School-Based Program Coordination, its school site council shall address the needs of GATE students within the school's single plan for student achievement. (Education Code 52853, 64001)

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
(cf. 0420.1 - School-Based Program Coordination)
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# **GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM** (continued)

#### **Identification of Gifted and Talented Students**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall design methods to seek out and identify gifted and talented students from varying linguistic, economic, and cultural backgrounds whose extraordinary capacities require special services and programs. (5 CCR 3820)

Students may be recommended for the GATE program by administrators, teachers, counselors, other staff, or parents/guardians. Parent/guardian consent shall be obtained before administering any assessments for the sole purpose of identifying students for this program.

Students shall be selected for the program based on their demonstrated or potential ability for high performance in categories identified by the Board, as evidenced by any of the following indicators: (5 CCR 3823)

- 1. School, class, and individual student records
- 2. Individual tests, including summary and evaluation by a credentialed school psychologist
- 3. Group tests
- 4. Interviews and questionnaires of teachers, parents/guardians, and others
- 5. Student products
- 6. Opinions of professional persons

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(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
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Final determination of a student's eligibility shall be made by the Superintendent/Principal or designee. (5 CCR 3824)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall base his/her decision upon the evaluation of pertinent evidence by the Superintendent/Principal or designee, a classroom teacher familiar with the student's work, and, when appropriate, a credentialed school psychologist. An individual recognized as an expert in the gifted and talented category under consideration, and/or an individual who has in-depth understanding of the student's linguistic or cultural group, shall participate in the evaluation of the evidence unless there is no doubt as to the student's eligibility. These persons may review screening, identification, and placement data in serial order and shall be required to meet only as necessary to resolve any differences in assessment and recommendations. (5 CCR 3824)

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# **GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM** (continued)

In reviewing evidence of a student's abilities, the Superintendent/Principal or designee also shall consider the economic, linguistic, and cultural characteristics of the student's background and, when appropriate, studies of the factors contributing to the student's underachievement, including handicapping or disadvantaged conditions. (5 CCR 3823)

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

Prior to a student's participation in the program, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall obtain written consent from the student's parent/guardian. (5 CCR 3831)

If the Superintendent/Principal or designee determines that a student is not eligible, the student's parent/guardian may appeal the decision. The Superintendent/Principal or designee may use a committee, including the district's GATE coordinator and certificated personnel, to review the student's evidence and determine whether the initial identification decision should be reversed.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall consider identifying for the district's GATE program any student who has transferred from another district in which he/she was identified as a GATE student. (Education Code 52202; 5 CCR 3831)

Because students who do not initially meet district criteria for the GATE program may become eligible at a later grade level, the district may re-examine student eligibility whenever the district receives a referral through the process noted above or the Superintendent/Principal or designee determines it to be in the student's best interest.

Once identified as a GATE student, a student shall remain eligible even though services provided to the student may change.

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#### EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN

The Board of Trustees desires to ensure that homeless students have access to the same free and appropriate public education provided to other students within the district. The district shall provide homeless students with access to education and other services necessary for these students to meet the same challenging academic standards as other students.

Homeless students shall not be segregated into a separate program based on their status as homeless and shall not be stigmatized in any way.

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(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall ensure that placement decisions for homeless students are based on the student's best interest as defined in law and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5111.13 - Residency for Homeless Children)

# **Transportation**

The district shall provide transportation for a homeless student to and from school when the student is residing within the district and the parent/guardian requests that such transportation be provided. If the student moves outside of district boundaries, but continues to attend the district school, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall consult with the superintendent of the district in which the student is now residing to agree upon a method to apportion the responsibility and costs of the transportation. (42 USC 11432)

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(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)
(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)
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# **EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN** (continued)

Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

1980-1986 County community schools 2558.2 Use of revenue limits to determine average daily attendance of homeless children 39807.5 Payment of transportation costs by parents UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

# 11431-11435 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

# Management Resources:

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GUIDANCE

<u>Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program</u>, Non-Regulatory Guidance, July 2004 WEB SITES

 ${\it California\ Department\ of\ Education,\ Homeless\ Children\ and\ Youth\ Education:}$ 

http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/hs/cy

National Center for Homeless Education at SERVE: http://www.serve.org/nche National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty: http://www.nlchp.org U.S. Department of Education: http://www.ed.gov/programs/homeless/index.html

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# EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN

# **Definitions**

Homeless means students who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and includes: (42 USC 11434a)

1. Children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer

parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

- 2. Children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations for human beings
- 3. Children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings
- 4. Migratory children who qualify as homeless because the children are living in conditions described in (1)-(3) above

*School of origin* means the school that the student attended when permanently housed or the school in which the student was last enrolled. (42 USC 11432)

Best interest means, to the extent feasible, continuing a student's enrollment in the school of origin for the duration of his/her homelessness, except when doing so is contrary to the wishes of his/her parent/guardian. (42 USC 11432)

Unaccompanied youth means a youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian. (42 USC 11434(a))

# **District Liaison**

The Superintendent/Principal is the district liaison for homeless students. (42 USC 11432)

The district's liaison for homeless students shall ensure that: (42 USC 11432)

1. Homeless students are identified by school personnel and through coordinated activities with other entities and agencies

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(cf. 1400 - Relations between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced-Price Meals)
(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
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# **EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN** (continued)

- 2. Homeless students enroll in, and have a full and equal opportunity to succeed in, district schools
- 3. Homeless families and students receive educational services for which they are eligible

- 4. Parents/guardians are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children
- 5. Notice of the educational rights of homeless children is disseminated at places where children receive services, such as schools, shelters, and soup kitchens
- 6. Enrollment disputes are mediated in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation
- 7. Parents/guardians are fully informed of all transportation services

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(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees)
(cf. 3541 - Transportation Routes and Services)
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# Enrollment

Placement decisions for homeless students shall be based on the student's best interest. In determining a student's best interest, a homeless student shall, to the extent feasible, be placed in his/her school of origin, unless his/her parent/guardian requests otherwise. (42 USC 11432)

When making a placement decision, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may consider the age of the student, the distance of the commute and the impact it may have on the student's education, personal safety issues, the student's need for special instruction, the length of anticipated stay in the temporary shelter or other temporary location, likely area of future housing, school placement of siblings, and the time remaining in the school year.

The student may continue attending the district school if it is his/her school of origin for the duration of the homelessness and until the end of any academic year in which he/she moves into permanent housing. (42 USC 11432)

In the case of an unaccompanied youth, the district's homeless liaison shall assist in placement or enrollment decisions, consider the views of the student, and provide notice to the student of his/her appeal rights. (42 USC 11432)

AR 6173(c)

# **EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN** (continued)

If the student is placed at a school other than the district school which is his/her school of origin or that requested by his/her parent/guardian, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide the parent/guardian with a written explanation of the decision along with a statement regarding the parent/guardian's right to appeal the placement decision. (42 USC 11432)

Once a decision is made to place the student in the district school, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall immediately enroll the student, even if the parent/guardian is unable to provide the school with the records normally required for enrollment. (42 USC 11432)

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(cf. 5111.13 - Residency for Homeless Children)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall immediately contact the school last attended by the student to obtain the relevant records. If the student needs to obtain immunizations or does not possess immunization or other medical records, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall refer the parent/guardian to the district's liaison for homeless students. The liaison shall assist the parent/guardian in obtaining the necessary immunizations or records for the student. (42 USC 11432)

# **Enrollment Dispute Resolution Process**

If a dispute arises over enrollment in the district school, the student shall be immediately admitted to the school pending resolution of the dispute. (42 USC 11432)

The parent/guardian shall be provided with a written explanation of the placement decision, including an explanation of the parent/guardian's right to appeal the decision. (42 USC 11432)

The written explanation shall be complete, as brief as possible, simply stated and provided in language that the parent/guardian or student can understand. The explanation may include contact information for the district liaison, a description of the district's decision, notice of the right to enroll in the district school pending resolution of the dispute, notice that enrollment includes full participation in all school activities, and notice of the right to appeal the decision to the county office of education and, if the dispute remains unresolved, to the California Department of Education.

The district liaison shall carry out the dispute resolution process as expeditiously as possible after receiving notice of the dispute. (42 USC 11432)

The liaison shall provide the parent/guardian a copy of the district's decision, dispute form, and a copy of the outcome of the dispute.

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# **EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN** (continued)

If the parent/guardian wishes to appeal the district's placement decision, the district liaison shall forward all written documentation and related paperwork to the homeless liaison at the county office of education.

Regulation approved: Chualar, California E(1) 6173(a)

# **EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN**

# DISTRICT EXPLANATION OF ENROLLMENT DECISION

Instructions:	The	following	form	is	to	be	used	when	the	district	has	denied	a
parent/guardi	an's e	enrollment r	request										
Date:		Name o	of perso	on c	omp	pletii	ng forn	n:					_
Title:				Pl	hone	e nur	nber:_						

In accordance with federal law (42 USC 11432), this notification is being provided to:
Name of parent/guardian:
Name of student(s):
District's placement decision (name of school):
After reviewing your request to enroll your child in the school listed above, your enrollment request has been denied. This determination was based upon:
If you are not satisfied with the Superintendent's decision, you may appeal to the(county name) County Office of Education. If you are not satisfied with the county office's decision, you may then appeal to the California Department of Education. The district's homeless liaison can assist you with this appeal.
Name of district's homeless liaison:
Address:
Phone number:
Name of County Office of Education homeless liaison:Address:
Phone number:
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You also have the following rights:

• Pending resolution of this dispute, your child has the right to immediately enroll in the district school and to participate in school activities at the school.

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# **EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN** (continued)

- You may provide written or verbal documentation to support your position. You may use the district's dispute resolution form. A copy of the dispute resolution form can be obtained from the district's liaison for homeless students.
- You may seek the assistance of advocates or attorneys to help you with this appeal.

Exhibit CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT version: Chualar, California Instruction E(2) 6173

EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN

# ENROLLMENT DISPUTE FORM

Instructions: This form is to be completed by a parent/guardian or student when a dispute
regarding enrollment has arisen. As an alternative to completing this form, the information
on this form may be shared verbally with the district's liaison for homeless students.

Date su	bmitted:		

Name of person completing form:
Student's name:
Relation to student:
I may be contacted at the following:
Address:
Phone number:
Name of school requested:
I wish to appeal the enrollment decision made by:
☐ District liaison ☐ County liaison
Reason for the appeal: You may include an explanation to support your appeal in this space or provide your explanation verbally.
I have been provided with:
☐ A written explanation of the district's decision
☐ Contact information for the district's homeless liaison
☐ Contact information for the county office of education's homeless liaison

Exhibit version:

# CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Instruction

Chualar, California

BP 6173.1(a)

# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that foster youth may be at greater risk for poor academic performance due to their family circumstances, disruption of their educational program, and emotional, social, and other health needs. The district shall provide such students with full access to the district's educational program and other support services necessary to assist them in achieving state and district academic standards.

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(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6011- Academic Standards)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall ensure that placement decisions for foster youth are based on the students' best interests as defined in law and administrative regulation. To that end, he/she shall designate a staff person as a district liaison for foster youth to help facilitate the enrollment, placement, and transfer of foster youth.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee and district liaison shall ensure that all appropriate staff, including, but not limited to, the school registrar and attendance clerk, receive training regarding the enrollment, placement, and rights of foster youth.

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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The Board desires to provide foster youth with a safe, positive learning environment that is free from discrimination and harassment and promotes students' self-esteem and academic achievement. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall develop strategies to build students' feelings of connectedness with the school, including, but not limited to, strategies that promote positive discipline and conflict resolution, the development of students' resiliency and interpersonal skills, and the involvement of foster parents, group home administrators, and/or other caretakers in school programs and activities.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)
(cf. 5138 - Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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#### **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH** (continued)

To address the needs of foster youth and help ensure the maximum utilization of available funds, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall collaborate with local agencies including, but not limited to, the county placing agency, social services, probation officers, juvenile court officers, nonprofit organizations, and advocates. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall explore the feasibility of entering into agreements with these groups to coordinate services and protect the rights of foster youth.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the educational outcomes of foster youth enrolled in the district including, but not limited to, school attendance, student achievement test results, promotion and retention rates by grade level, graduation rates, and suspension/expulsion rates.

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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Legal Reference: (see next page)

BP 6173.1(c)

# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH** (continued)

# Legal Reference:

# EDUCATION CODE

32228-32228.5 Student safety and violence prevention 42920-42925 Foster children educational services 48645-48646 Juvenile court schools 48850-48859 Educational placement of students residing in licensed children's institutions 49061 Student records 49069.5 Foster care students, transfer of records

49076 Access to student records

51225.3 High school graduation

56055 Rights of foster parents in special education

60851 High school exit examination

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

1522.41 Training and certification of group home administrators

1529.2 Training of licensed foster parents

#### WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

300 Children subject to jurisdiction

309 Investigation and release of child

361 Limitations on parental or guardian control

366.27 Educational decision by relative providing living arrangements

602 Minors violating law; ward of court

726 Limitations on parental or guardian control

727 Order of care, ward of court

16000-16014 Foster care placement

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

670-679b Federal assistance for foster care programs

11431-11435 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

#### Management Resources:

#### CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Educating Foster Youth: Best Practices and Board Considerations, Policy Brief, March 2008

# AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS

Mythbusting: Breaking Down Confidentiality and Decision-Making Barriers to Meet the Education

Needs of Children in Foster Care, 2005

CITIES, COUNTIES AND SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP PUBLICATIONS

Our Children: Emancipating Foster Youth, A Community Action Guide

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education, Foster Youth Services: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/fy

California Department of Social Services, Foster Youth Ombudsman Office:

http://www.fosteryouthhelp.ca.gov

California Youth Connection: http://www.calyouthconn.org/site/cyc Cities, Counties and Schools Partnership: http://www.ccspartnership.org

Policy CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

adopted: Chualar, California
Instruction AR 6173.1(a)

# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH**

#### **Definitions**

Foster youth means a child who has been removed from his/her home pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 309, is the subject of a petition filed under Welfare and Institutions Code 300 or 602, or has been removed from his/her home and is the subject of a petition filed under Welfare and Institutions Code 300 or 602. (Education Code 48853.5)

Person holding the right to make educational decisions means a responsible adult appointed

by a court pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 361 or 727.

School of origin means the school that the foster youth attended when permanently housed or the school in which he/she was last enrolled. If the school the foster youth attended when permanently housed is different from the school in which he/she was last enrolled, or if there is some other school that the foster youth attended within the preceding 15 months and with which the youth is connected, the district liaison shall, in consultation with and with the agreement of the foster youth and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the youth, determine, in the best interests of the foster youth, which school is the school of origin. (Education Code 48853.5)

Best interests means that, in making educational and school placement decisions for a foster youth, consideration is given to, among other factors, educational stability, the opportunity to be educated in the least restrictive educational setting necessary to achieve academic progress, and the foster youth's access to academic resources, services, and extracurricular and enrichment activities that are available to all district students. (Education Code 48850, 48853)

#### District Liaison

The Superintendent/Principal is the district liaison for foster youth. (Education Code 48853.5)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

The district's liaison for foster youth shall:

- 1. Ensure and facilitate the proper educational placement, enrollment in school, and checkout from school of students in foster care (Education Code 48853.5)
- 2. Ensure proper transfer of credits, records, and grades when students in foster care transfer from one school to another or from one district to another (Education Code 48853.5, 48645.5)

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(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity of Academic Credit)
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# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH** (continued)

3. As needed, make appropriate referrals to ensure that students in foster care receive necessary special education services and services under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973

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(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education) (cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
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4. Ensure that students in foster care receive appropriate school-based services, such as supplemental instruction, counseling, or after-school services

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(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)
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5. Develop protocols and procedures so that district staff, including the Superintendent/Principal, school registrars, and attendance clerks, are aware of the requirements for the proper enrollment, placement, and transfer of foster youth

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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6. Collaborate with the county placing agency, social services, probation officers, juvenile court officers, nonprofit organizations, and advocates to help coordinate services for the district's foster youth

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
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7. Monitor the educational progress of foster youth and provide reports to the Superintendent/Principal or designee and the Board of Trustees based on indicators identified in Board policy

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall regularly monitor the caseload of the district liaison, as well as his/her additional duties outside of the foster youth program, to determine whether adequate time and resources are available to meet the needs of foster youth in the district.

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# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH** (continued)

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(cf. 4115 - Evaluation/Supervision)
(cf. 4315 - Evaluation/Supervision)
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#### **Enrollment**

A foster youth placed in a licensed children's institution or foster family home within the district shall attend programs operated by the district unless one of the following circumstances applies: (Education Code 48853, 48853.5)

1. The student has an individualized education program requiring placement in a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency or in another local educational agency.

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(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6159.2 - Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education)
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2. The parent/guardian or other person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student determines that it is in the best interest of the student to be placed in another educational program.

(cf. 6159.3 - Appointment of Surrogate Parent for Special Education Students)

- 3. At the initial placement or any subsequent change in placement, the student exercises his/her right to continue in his/her school of origin, as defined above
  - a. The student may continue in the school of origin for the duration of the court's jurisdiction or, if the court's jurisdiction is terminated prior to the end of a school year, then for remainder of the school year.
  - b. To provide the student the benefit of matriculating with his/her peers in accordance with the established feeder patterns of school districts, a student who is transitioning between school grade levels shall be allowed to continue in the district of origin in the same attendance area. A student who is transitioning to a middle school or high school shall be allowed to enroll in the school designated for matriculation in another school district.

The district liaison may, in consultation with and with the agreement of the foster youth and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the youth, recommend that the youth's right to attend the school of origin be waived and he/she be enrolled in any school that students living in the attendance area in which the foster youth resides are eligible to attend. All decisions shall be made in accordance with the foster youth's best interests. (Education Code 48853.5)

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# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH** (continued)

Prior to making any recommendation to move a foster youth from his/her school of origin, the liaison shall provide the youth and the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the youth with a written explanation of the basis for the recommendation and how this recommendation serves the youth's best interests. (Education Code 48853.5)

The role of the liaison shall be advisory with respect to placement decisions and determination of the school of origin. (Education Code 48853.5)

Within two business days of a request for enrollment, the liaison shall contact the school last attended by the student to obtain all academic and other records. Upon receiving a request from a new school, the liaison shall provide all records within two business days of receiving the request. (Education Code 48853.5)

If a person with the right to make educational decisions for a foster youth or the foster youth disagrees with the liaison's enrollment recommendation, he/she may appeal to the Superintendent/Principal. The Superintendent/Principal shall make a determination within 30 days of receipt of the appeal. Within 30 days of receipt of the Superintendent's decision, the parent/guardian or foster youth may appeal that decision to the Board. The Board shall consider the issue at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Board's decision shall be final.

If any dispute arises regarding the request of a foster youth to remain in the school of origin, the youth has the right to remain in the school of origin pending resolution of the dispute. (Education Code 48853.5)

# **Transportation**

Upon request, the district may provide transportation for a foster youth to and from his/her school of origin when the student is residing within the district and the school of origin is within district boundaries.

# **Applicability of Graduation Requirements**

When a foster youth in grade 11 or 12 transfers into the district from another school district, he/she shall be exempted from all coursework and other graduation requirements adopted by the Board that are in addition to the statewide coursework requirements specified in Education Code 51225.3 and the high school exit examination, unless the district makes a finding that the student is reasonably able to complete the additional requirements in time to graduate from high school while he/she remains in foster care. (Education Code 51225.3, 60851)

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# **EDUCATION FOR FOSTER YOUTH** (continued)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall notify any student who is granted an exemption and, as appropriate, the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the student if any of the requirements that are waived will affect the student's ability to gain admission to a postsecondary educational institution and shall provide information about transfer opportunities available through the California Community Colleges. (Education Code 51225.3)

(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

# **Grades/Credits**

Grades for a student in foster care shall not be lowered if the student is absent from school due to either of the following circumstances: (Education Code 49069.5)

- 1. A decision by a court or placement agency to change the student's placement, in which case the student's grades and credits shall be calculated as of the date he/she left school
- 2. A verified court appearance or related court-ordered activity

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

# **Eligibility for Extracurricular Activities**

A foster youth who changes residences pursuant to a court order or decision of a child welfare worker shall be immediately deemed to meet all residency requirements for participation in interscholastic sports or other extracurricular activities. (Education Code 48850)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities) (cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

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# CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Chualar, California BP 6173.2(a)

# **EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES**

The Board of Trustees recognizes the challenges to the academic success of children of military families caused by the frequent moves or deployments of their parents/guardians in fulfillment of military service. In accordance with law, the district shall provide such students with academic resources, services, and opportunities for extracurricular and enrichment activities that are available to all district students.

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

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(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)
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In making decisions about children of military families, including decisions regarding their enrollment, placement, eligibility for extracurricular activities, or waiver of any graduation requirement, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall be flexible to the extent permitted by law and district policy.

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(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity of Academic Credit)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall work with parents/guardians and shall collaborate with local, state, and other agencies within and outside the state to facilitate the transition of children of military families into and out of the district.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the educational outcomes of children of military families enrolled in the district school, including, but not limited to, school attendance, student achievement test results, promotion and retention rates by grade levels, participation in extracurricular activities, and graduation rates.

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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Legal Reference: (see next page)

BP 6173.2(b)

# **EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES** (continued)

# Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements; matters subject to regulation 35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia 35181 Students' responsibilities 35351 Assignment of students to particular schools 46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance agreements 48050-48054 Nonresidents

48200-48208 Persons included (compulsory education law)

49700-49704 Education of children of military families

51225.3 Requirements for graduation

51240-51246 Exemptions from requirements

51250-51251 School-age military dependents

60850-60859 High school exit examination

66204 Certification of high school courses as meeting university admissions criteria

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 10

1209 Transfer to inactive status list instead of separation

1211 Members on temporary disability retired list: return to active duty; promotion

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Section 504

#### Management Resources:

# CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

<u>Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children: Preliminary Final Report, March 2009 WEB SITES</u>

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education, Educational Options Office: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/mc

Policy adopted: CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT Chualar, California Instruction AR 6173.2(a)

# **EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES**

Children of military families are school-aged children in the household of: (Education Code 49701)

1. Members who are in full-time duty status in the active uniformed service of the United States, including any member of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty order pursuant to 10 USC 1209 or 1211

- 2. Members or veterans of the uniformed services who are severely injured and medically discharged or retired, for one year after their medical discharge or retirement
- 3. Members of the uniformed services who have died while on active duty or as a result of injuries sustained on active duty, for one year after their death

# **Enrollment**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall facilitate the enrollment of children of military families and ensure that they are not placed at a disadvantage due to difficulty in the transfer of their records from previous school districts and/or variations in entrance or age requirements. (Education Code 49701)

When a child of a military family is transferring into the district, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may enroll the child based on the child's placement in the previous district, pending receipt of the child's records. Upon enrollment, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall immediately request the student's records from the student's previous district. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall allow the student 30 days from the date of enrollment to obtain all required immunizations. (Education Code 49701)

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(cf. 5111 - Admission)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5141- Health Care and Emergencies)
(cf. 5141.31- Immunizations)
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When a child of a military family is transferring out of the district, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide the student's parents/guardians with a complete set of the student's records or, if the official student record cannot be released, an unofficial or "hand-carried" record. Upon request from the new district, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide a copy of the student's record to the new district within 10 days. (Education Code 49701)

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(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
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# **EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES** (continued)

#### **Placement and Attendance**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall initially honor the placement of any child of a military family in educational courses and programs based on the child's enrollment and/or assessment in his/her previous school. The Superintendent/Principal or designee may, to the extent permitted by Board policy, waive course or program prerequisites, preconditions,

and/or application deadlines when making decisions regarding placement of children of military families and their eligibility for extracurricular academic, athletic, and social activities. (Education Code 49701)

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(cf. 6141.5 - Advanced Placement)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity of Academic Credit)
(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
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When a child of a military family transferring into the district has been identified as an individual with a disability pursuant to 20 USC 1400-1482, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide comparable services to the student based on his/her current individualized education program. In addition, when the child of a military family transferring into the district is eligible for services under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall make reasonable accommodations and modifications to address the needs of the student subject to the student's existing Section 504 plan. The district may authorize subsequent evaluations of the student to ensure appropriate placement. (Education Code 49701)

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(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
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When a student's parent/guardian is an active duty member who is called to duty or is on leave from or is immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or to combat support posting, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may grant additional excused absences to the student to visit with his/her parent/guardian. (Education Code 49701)

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(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
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Regulation CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT approved: Instruction

Chualar, California

BP 6174(a)

# EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

The Board of Trustees intends to provide English language learners with challenging curriculum and instruction that develop proficiency in English as rapidly and effectively as possible in order to assist students in accessing the full educational program and achieving the district's academic standards. The district's program shall be based on sound instructional theory and shall be adequately supported so that English language learners can achieve results at the same academic level as their English-proficient peers in the regular course of study.

The Board encourages staff to exchange information with staff in other districts and the county office of education about programs, options and strategies for English language learners that succeed under various demographic conditions.

(cf. 4112.22 - Staff Teaching Students of Limited English Proficiency)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall maintain procedures which provide for the identification, assessment and placement of English language learners and for their redesignation based on criteria adopted by the Board and specified in administrative regulations.

To evaluate program effectiveness, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall regularly examine program results, including reports of the English language learners' academic achievement, their progress towards proficiency in English and the progress of students who have been redesignated as fluent English proficient. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall annually report these findings to the Board and shall also provide the Board with regular reports from any district or schoolwide English learner advisory committees.

(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

# **Type of Instruction**

Students who are English language learners shall be educated through "sheltered English immersion" or "structured English immersion" during a temporary transition period not normally intended to exceed one year. "Nearly all" of the classroom instruction in the district's sheltered English immersion program shall be in English, but with the curriculum and presentation designed for students who are learning the language. (Education Code 305, 306)

The district has defined the term "nearly all" as follows:

To provide that all classroom instruction be conducted in English, except for clarification, explanation, English Language Development, Dual Immersion, and additional support as needed. In addition, the district shall provide an alternative K-3 bilingual program.

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# **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** (continued)

When an English language learner has acquired a reasonable level of English proficiency as measured by any of the state-designated assessments approved by the California Department of Education or any locally developed assessments and using other criteria developed by the district, he/she shall be transferred from a structured English immersion classroom to an English language mainstream classroom in which the instruction is "overwhelmingly" in English. (Education Code 305; 5 CCR 11301)

An English language learner has acquired a "reasonable level of English proficiency" when he/she has achieved the following:

- 1. Ability to compete effectively with English-speaking peers in mainstream academic classes.
- 2. Performance on CELDT described as "English proficient"
- 3/ Performance on CST/ELA at proficient level or above

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
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Upon the request of his/her parent/guardian, a student shall be placed in an English language mainstream classroom. (5 CCR 11301)

# **Parental Exception Waivers**

At any time during the school year, the parent/guardian of an English language learner may have his/her child moved into an English language mainstream program.

Parent/guardian requests for waivers from Education Code 305 regarding placement in a sheltered English immersion program shall be granted in accordance with law and administrative regulation.

If the Superintendent/Principal or designee denies the waiver request, he/she shall provide a written justification to the parent/guardian describing the reasons for the denial. A parent/guardian may appeal the Superintendent's decision in writing to the Board. The Board may consider the matter at its next regular Board meeting. The Board may decide not to hear the appeal, in which case the Superintendent's decision shall be final. If the Board hears the appeal, the Superintendent/Principal shall send the Board's decision to the parent/guardian within seven working days.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

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# **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** (continued)

Legal Reference:

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51101 Rights of parents to information

51101.1 Rights for parents of English learners

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11300-11316 English Language Learner Education

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## **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS**

## **Definitions**

English learner means a student who does not speak English or whose native language is not English and who is not currently able to perform ordinary classroom work in English, also known as a limited English proficient or LEP child. (Education Code 306)

English language classroom means a classroom in which the language of instruction used by the teaching personnel is overwhelmingly the English language, and in which such teaching personnel possess a good knowledge of the English language. (Education Code 306)

English language mainstream classroom means a classroom in which the students either are native English language speakers or already have acquired reasonable fluency in English. (Education Code 306)

Sheltered English immersion or structured English immersion means an English language acquisition process in which nearly all classroom instruction is in English but with the curriculum and presentation designed for students who are learning the language. (Education Code 306)

Bilingual education/native language instruction means a language acquisition process for students in which much or all instruction, textbooks, and teaching materials are in the student's native language. (Education Code 306)

## **Identification and Assessment**

Upon enrollment, each student's primary language shall be determined through use of a home language survey. (5 CCR 11307)

Within 30 calendar days of their initial enrollment, students who are identified as having a primary language other than English, as determined by the home language survey, and for whom there is no record of results from an English language development test shall be assessed using the California English Language Development Test (CELDT). (5 CCR 11511)

All students shall have sufficient time to complete the CELDT as provided in the directions for test administration. (5 CCR 11516)

Any student with a disability shall take the CELDT with those accommodations for testing that the student has regularly used during instruction and classroom assessment as delineated in the student's individualized education program (IEP) or Section 504 plan that are appropriate and necessary to address the student's individual needs. (5 CCR 11516.5)

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(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
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# **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** (continued)

The district shall notify parents/guardians of their child's results on the CELDT within 30 calendar days. (5 CCR 11511.5)

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(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
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Within 90 days of initial enrollment, students identified as having limited English proficiency shall be further assessed for primary language proficiency in comprehension, speaking, reading and writing. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall develop criteria for determining student needs on the basis of these assessments. (former Education Code 52164.1, 62002)

Before students are enrolled in a program for English language learners, parents/guardians shall receive information about the program and their opportunities for parental involvement. This information shall include the fact that an individual student's participation in the program is voluntary on the part of the parent/guardian. (Education Code 52173)

Not later than 30 calendar days after the beginning of the school year, each parent/guardian of a student participating in, or identified for participation in, a language instruction program supported by federal Title III funds shall receive notification of the assessment of his/her child's English proficiency. The notice shall include all of the following: (Education Code 440; 20 USC 6312)

- 1. The reason for the student's classification as English language learner
- 2. The level of English proficiency
- 3. A description of the program for English language development instruction, including a description of all of the following:
  - a. The manner in which the program will meet the educational strengths and needs of the student
  - b. The manner in which the program will help the student develop his/her English proficiency and meet age-appropriate academic standards
  - c. The specific exit requirements for the program, the expected rate of transition from the program into classrooms not tailored for English language learner students, and the expected rate of graduation from secondary school if Title I funds are used for students in secondary schools
  - d. Where the student has been identified for special education, the manner in which the program meets the requirements of the student's IEP

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4. Information regarding a parent/guardian's option to decline to allow the student to become enrolled in the program or to choose to allow the student to become enrolled in an alternative program

5. Information designed to assist a parent/guardian in selecting among available programs, if more than one program is offered

Parent/guardians also shall be notified of the results of any reassessments. (Education Code 52164.3)

# **Parental Exception Waivers**

At the beginning of each school year, parents/guardians shall be informed of the placement of their children in a structured English immersion program and shall be notified of an opportunity to apply for a parental exception waiver. (Education Code 310; 5 CCR 11309)

A parent/guardian may request that the district waive the requirements of Education Code 305, pertaining to the placement of a student in a structured English immersion program if the one of the following circumstances exists:

- 1. Students who already know English: The student already possesses good English language skills, as measured by standardized tests of English vocabulary comprehension, reading and writing, in which the student scores at or above the state average for his/her grade level or at or above the fifth-grade average, whichever is lower. (Education Code 311(a))
- 2. Older students: The student is age 10 years or older, and it is the informed belief of the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff that an alternate course of study would be better suited to the student's rapid acquisition of basic English skills. (Education Code 311(b))
- 3. Students with special needs: The student already has been placed, for a period of not less than 30 calendar days during that school year, in an English language classroom and it is subsequently the informed belief of the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff that the student has special physical, emotional, psychological or educational needs and that an alternate course of educational study would be better suited to the student's overall educational development. (Education Code 311(c))

The parent/guardian shall personally visit the school to apply for the waiver. (Education Code 310)

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# **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** (continued)

Upon request for a waiver, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide to the parents/guardians: (Education Code 310, 311; 5 CCR 11309)

- 1. A full written description, and a spoken description upon request, of the intent and content of the structured English immersion program, any alternative courses of study and all educational opportunities offered by the district and available to the student, and the educational materials to be used in the different educational program choices
- 2. For a request for waiver pursuant to Education Code 311(c) for students with special needs, notification that the student must be placed for a period of not less than 30 calendar days in an English language classroom and that the Superintendent/Principal must approve the waiver pursuant to Board of Trustees guidelines

Pursuant to Education Code 311(b) and 311(c), the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff may recommend a waiver to a parent/guardian for a student 10 years or older and a student with special needs. Parents/guardians shall be informed in writing of any recommendation for an alternative program made by the Superintendent/Principal and staff and shall be given notice of their right to refuse to accept the recommendation. The notice shall include a full description of the recommended alternative program and the educational materials to be used for the alternative program as well as a description of all other programs available to the student. If the parent/guardian elects to request the alternative program recommended by the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff, the parent/guardian shall comply with district procedures and requirements otherwise applicable to a parental exception waiver, including Education Code 310. (5 CCR 11309)

When evaluating waiver requests pursuant to Education Code 311(a) for students who already know English and other waiver requests for those students for whom standardized assessment data are not available, other equivalent assessment measures may be used. These equivalent measures may include local assessments, local standards and teacher evaluations.

Parental exception waivers pursuant to Education Code 311(b) for students 10 years or older shall be granted if it is the informed belief of the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff that an alternate course of educational study would be better suited to the student's rapid acquisition of basic English language skills. (Education Code 311)

Parental exception waivers pursuant to Education Code 311(c) for students with special needs shall be granted if it is the informed belief of the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff that, due to the student's special physical, emotional, psychological or educational needs, an alternate course of educational study would be better suited to the student's overall educational development. (Education Code 311)

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## **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** (continued)

The Superintendent/Principal shall consider all waiver requests made pursuant to Education Code 311(c) for students with special needs and shall develop a rationale of the decision regarding the waiver. When determining whether or not to approve a waiver request, the

Superintendent/Principal shall assume that the facts justifying the request attested by the parent/guardian are a true representation of the child's condition.

Each waiver shall be considered on its individual merits with great deference given to parental preference for student placement.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall act upon all parental exception waivers within 20 instructional days of its submission to him/her. However, parental waiver requests pursuant to Education Code 311(c) for students with special needs shall not be acted upon during the 30-day placement in an English language classroom. These waivers shall be acted upon no later than 10 calendar days after the expiration of that 30-day English language classroom placement or within 20 instructional days of submission of the waiver to the Superintendent/Principal, whichever is later. (5 CCR 11309)

All parental exception waivers shall be granted unless the Superintendent/Principal and educational staff have determined that an alternative program offered at the school would not be better suited for the overall educational development of the student. (5 CCR 11309)

When 20 students or more of a given grade level receive a waiver, the school shall be required to offer such a class; otherwise it must allow the students to transfer to a public school in which such a class is offered. (Education Code 310)

Students wishing to transfer to another district shall be subject to the district's and the receiving district's interdistrict attendance policies and administrative regulations.

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(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
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In cases where a parental exception waiver pursuant to Education Code 311(b) or (c) is denied, the parent/guardian shall be informed in writing of the reason(s) for the denial and advised that he/she may appeal the decision to the Board if the Board authorizes such an appeal, or to the court. (5 CCR 11309)

Waiver requests shall be renewed annually by the parent/guardian. (Education Code 310)

# Reclassification/Redesignation

The district shall continue to provide additional and appropriate educational services to English language learners for the purposes of overcoming language barriers until the English language learners have: (5 CCR 11302)

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### EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (continued)

1. Demonstrated English language proficiency comparable to that of the district's average native English language speakers

2. Recouped any academic deficits which may have been incurred in other areas of the core curriculum as a result of language barriers

English language learners shall be redesignated as fluent English proficient when they are able to comprehend, speak, read and write English well enough to receive instruction in the regular program and make academic progress at a level substantially equivalent to that of students of the same age or grade whose primary language is English and who are in the regular course of study. (Education Code 52164.6)

The following measures shall be used to determine whether an English language learner shall be reclassified as fluent English proficient: (5 CCR 11303)

- 1. Assessment of English language proficiency utilizing the CELDT as the primary criterion, and objective assessment of the student's English reading and writing skills
- 2. Participation of the student's classroom teacher and any other certificated staff with direct responsibility for teaching or placement decisions
- 3. Parent/guardian opinion and consultation during a redesignation interview
  - Parents/guardians shall receive notice and a description of the redesignation process, including notice of their right to participate in the process. Parent/guardian participation in the process shall be encouraged.
- 4. Comparison of performance in basic skills, including performance on the English-Language Arts section of the California Standards Test
- 5. Objective data on the student's academic performance in English

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide subsequent monitoring and support for redesignated students, including but not limited to monitoring the performance of redesignated students in the core curriculum in comparison with their native-English speaking peers, monitoring the rate of redesignation, and ensuring correct classification and placement.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall develop a process to monitor the effectiveness of the district's program for English language learners. The district's program shall be modified as needed to help ensure language and academic success for each English language learner.

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## EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (continued)

When there are more than 20 English language learners in the school, a, parent/guardian advisory committee shall be maintained to serve the advisory functions specified in law. (5 CCR 11308)

Parents/guardians of English language learners shall constitute committee membership in at least the same percentage as their children represent of the total number of students in the school. (Education Code 52176)

The district's English language advisory committee shall advise the Board on at least the following tasks: (5 CCR 11308)

- 1. The development of a district master plan of education programs and services for English learners, taking into consideration the school site plans for English learners
- 2. Establishment of a district program, goals and objectives for programs and services for English learners
- 3. Development of a plan to ensure compliance with applicable teacher or aide requirements
- 4. Administration of the annual language census
- 5. Review of and comment on the district's reclassification procedures
- 6. Review of and comments on the written notification required to be sent to parents/guardians pursuant to 5 CCR 11300-11316

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

Regulation

In order to assist advisory members in carrying out their responsibilities, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall ensure that committee members receive appropriate training and materials. This training shall be planned in full consultation with the members. (5 CCR 11308)

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# **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS**

PARENTAL EXCEPTION WAIVER EDUCATION CODE 311(a): Children who know English

Name:	Grade:		
School:	Date of Birth:		
Language Designation:			
My child possesses good English language si school's Structured/Sheltered English langua my child is to be taught English as rapidly an	ge program. I understa	and that the objective for	
I have personally visited the school to apply	for this waiver.		
I have been provided a full written descript English immersion program; any alternative available to my child; all educational opports to my child; and the educational materials to choices.	courses of study offered unities offered by the di	I by the district and made strict and made available	
I understand that I must request that this waiv	ver be reconsidered annu	ually, each school year.	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:		
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone Number:			
For School Use Only:			
Child's English standardized test scores: Score child's grade level or above the 5th grade ave		e the state average for the	
Waiver Granted/Denied:	Date	:	
Signature:			

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**EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** 

PARENTAL EXCEPTION WAIVER EDUCATION CODE 311(b): Children age 10 or older

Name:		G	rade:
School:		Date of Birth:	
Language Des	signation:		
suited to my school's Struc	child's rapid acquisition of tured/Sheltered English l	of English. For that reason	ate course of study is better on, I request a waiver of the erstand that the objective for sible.
I have persona	ally visited the school to a	apply for this waiver.	
English imme available to m	ersion program; any altern ny child; all educational o	native courses of study offer opportunities offered by the	nd content of the structured ered by the district and made e district and made available fferent educational program
I understand to	hat I must request that thi	s waiver be reconsidered a	annually, each school year.
Parent/Guardi	ian Signature:	D	Pate:
Address:			_
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone Number	er:		
For School U	se Only:		
Waiver Grant	ed/Denied:	D	Pate:
Signature:			
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Name:\_\_\_\_

Grade:\_\_\_

School:		Date of Birth:	
Language Designation:			
I believe that my child has speci development. (Check all that apply		arse of study is b	etter suited to his/her educational
Educational Needs	Physical Needs	Er	notional/Psychological Needs
Therefore, I request a waiver of the for my child is to be taught English this waiver.	school's Structured/Sheltered Englars as rapidly and effectively as possi	ish language progr ble. I have persor	am. I understand that the objective nally visited the school to apply for
I understand that my child must be considered by the Superintendent p	placed in an English language class ursuant to Board-established guidel	room for 30 calendines.	lar days and that this waiver will be
alternative courses of study offered	description of: the intent and conton by the district and made available my child; and the educational mate	to my child; all e	ducational opportunities offered by
I understand that I must request tha	t this waiver be reconsidered annual	ly, each school yea	ar.
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date	:
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone Number:			
For School Use Only:			
Waiver Granted/Denied:		Date	:
Signature:			

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**EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** 

Solicitud de Excepción Pedido por los Padres Código de Educación 311(a): Niños que saben inglés

Nobre:		Grado:
Escuela:		Fecha de nacimiento <u>:</u>
Idioma natal:		
Mi hijo(a) posee buenas habilidades del idioma ing de Inmersión al Inglés Estructurado. Comprendo o inglés lo más rápido y efectivamente posible.		
Yo visité personalmente la escuela de mi hijo(a) par	a solicitar esta excep	oción.
Se me ha entregado una completa descripción por Inmersión al Inglés Estructurado; cualquier otro cualcance de mi hijo(a); todas las oportunidades educade mi hijo(a); y de los materiales educativos peducativos.	rso de estudio ofre ativas ofrecidas por	cido por el distrito creado para estar al el distrito creadas para estar al alcance
Entiendo que debo solicitar esta excepción anualmen	nte, cada año escola	r.
Firma de Padre/Madre o tutor dativo:		Fecha:
Dirección:		
Ciudad:	Estado:	Código postal:
Teléfono:		
Para uso exclusivo de la escuela:		
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Excepción otorgada/negada:		Fecha:
Firma:		

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# **EDUCATION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS**

Solicitud de Excepción Pedido por los Padres Código de Educación 311(b): Niños de 10 años de edad o mayor

Nobre:	Grado:
Escuela:	Fecha de nacimiento:
Idioma natal:	
mi hijo(a) una pronta enseñanza del inglés. Por esa	creo que un curso alternativo es el más adecuado para dar a razón solicito una excepción del Programa de Inmersión al para mi hijo(a) es que se le enseñe inglés lo más rápido y
Yo personalmente visité la escuela de mi hijo(a) para	a solicitar esta excepción.
Inmersión al Inglés Estructurado; cualquier otro cualcance de mi hijo(a); todas las oportunidades educados estructurados estruct	escrito de: el propósito y el contenido del Programa de urso de estudio ofrecido por el distrito creado para estar al ativas ofrecidas por el distrito creadas para estar al alcance ara ser usados en las diferentes opciones de programas
Entiendo que debo solicitar esta excepción anualmer	nte, cada año escolar.
Firma de Padre/Madre o tutor dativo:	Fecha:
Dirección:	
Ciudad:	Estado:Código postal:
Teléfono:	
Para uso exclusivo de la escuela:	
Calificaciones del examen uniforme de inglés: Las estado para el grado al que corresponde el niño o arr	calificaciones deben estar al nivel o arriba del promedio del iba del promedio de quinto grado:
Excepción otorgada/negada:	Fecha:
Firma:	
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Código de Educación 311(c): Nñ	edido por los Padres os que requieren de educación especial
Nobre:	Grado:

Escuela:		Fecha de nacimiento:
Idioma natal:		_
Mi hijo(a) requiere educación especial y creo que un curso a (Marque todo lo que corresponda a su hijo(a) y dé una explicac		el más adecuado para su desarrollo educativo.
Necesidades educativas Necesidades fisic	as	Necesidades emocionales y psicológicas
Solicito una excepción del Programa de Inmersióñ al Inglés Es se le enseñe inglés lo más rápido y efectivamente posible. Y esta excepción.		
Comprendo que mi hijo(a) será colocado en un salón de instru excepción será considerada por el superintendente escolar de ad		
Se me ha entregado una completa descripción por escrito de Inglés Estructurado; cualquier otro curso de estudio ofrecido p las oportunidades educativas ofrecidas por el distrito creada educativos para ser usados en las diferentes opciones de progra	oor el distrito c as para estar a	reado para estar al alcance de mi hijo(a); todas al alcance de mi hijo(a); y de los materiales
Entiendo que debo solicitar esta excepción anualmente, cada af	ĭo escolar.	
Firma de Padre/Madre o tutor dativo:		Fecha:
Dirección:		
Ciudad:	_Estado:	Código postal:
Teléfono:	_	
Para uso exclusivo de la escuela:		
Calificaciones del examen uniforme de inglés: Las calificacio el grado al que corresponde el niño o arriba del promedio de qu		r al nivel o arriba del promedio del estado para
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# MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Instruction

The Board of Trustees desires to provide a comprehensive program for migrant students that attempts to mitigate the impact of educational disruption, cultural and language barriers, social isolation, health-related problems, and other factors that may inhibit the ability of

migrant students to succeed in school. The district shall make use of available funds to provide supplementary services for migrant students.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall convene a parent advisory council to actively involve parents/guardians in planning, operating, and evaluating the district's migrant education program. (Education Code 54444.2)

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall cooperate with the regional migrant service center in outreach and identification of eligible migrant students and in the provision of migrant education services. He/she shall also coordinate migrant education services with other programs within the district and with other public agencies that serve migrant workers and their families.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall plan for late enrollments of migrant students. He/she shall ensure that each migrant student is placed at the appropriate grade level and is provided services in accordance with his/her individual needs assessment and learning plan.

The Board shall monitor the results of statewide assessments of core academic subjects and English language development, as appropriate, for students enrolled in the district's migrant education services. In addition, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall periodically report to the Board regarding the alignment of district services with the needs of students as identified in student needs assessments conducted pursuant to Education Code 54443.1. As necessary, the Board shall seek technical assistance from the migrant education regional service center and/or make changes in the services provided by the district in order to improve student achievement.

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# **MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM** (continued)

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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#### Legal Reference:

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54440-54445 Migrant education program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3080 Application of uniform complaint procedures

4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

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6381-6381k Even Start family literacy program

6391-6399 Migrant education program

7881 Services for private school students

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

200.81-200.89 Migrant education program

## Management Resources:

# CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

<u>Identification and Recruitment Manual: Policies and Procedures for Migrant Education Recruiters in</u> the State of California, 2008

<u>California Migrant Education Program: Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Initial Report of Findings,</u> 2007

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NON-REGULATORY GUIDANCE

Title I, Part C Education of Migratory Children, October 2003

WEB SITES

 $California\ Department\ of\ Education,\ Migrant\ Education\ Office:\ http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/me$ 

U.S. Department of Education, Office of Migrant Education:

http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oese/ome

West Ed, Migrant Student Information Network: http://www.wested.org/cs/we/view/pj/61

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MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Eligibility** 

A student age 3 to 21 years shall be eligible for the district's migrant education program if he/she meets the criteria specified in 20 USC 6399 and 34 CFR 200.81 as verified by a migrant education recruiter.

The district shall give first priority for services to migrant students who are failing, or most at risk of failing, to meet state content standards and challenging state performance standards, and whose education has been interrupted during the regular school year. (20 USC 6394)

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
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A student who ceases to be a migrant student during a school term shall be eligible for services until the end of the term. If comparable services are not available through other programs, a student who is no longer migratory may continue to receive services for one additional school year. Students who were eligible for services in secondary school may continue to be served through credit accrual programs until graduation. (20 USC 6394)

The district shall provide services to eligible private school students residing within the district on an equitable basis with participating public school students. (20 USC 7881; 34 CFR 200.87)

## **Student Records**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall maintain records documenting the eligibility of students enrolled in the district's migrant education program.

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(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall acquire education and health records from migrant students' previous school districts, as appropriate.

When a migrant student transfers to another district, his/her records shall be provided to the receiving district upon request at no cost in order to assist that district in meeting the needs of the student. (20 USC 6398)

# **Program Components**

The migrant education program shall provide: (Education Code 54443.1)

- 1. A general needs assessment summarizing the needs of the population to be served
- 2. Individual assessment of the educational and relevant health needs of each participating student, within 30 days of enrollment

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- 3. A comprehensive program to meet the educational, health, and related needs of participating students which supplements the district program and which provides:
  - a. Instructional services, including academic, remedial and compensatory, bilingual and multicultural, and vocational instruction

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(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
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b. Counseling and career education services

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

c. Preschool services in accordance with Education Code 54443

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(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)
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- d. Other educational services that are not otherwise available in sufficient quantity or quality to eligible migrant students
- e. Instructional materials and equipment necessary for appropriate services
- f. Other related services needed to enable migrant students to participate effectively in instructional services
- g. The coordination and teaming of existing resources serving migrant students, such as bilingual-crosscultural education, health screening, and compensatory education

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(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
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- 4. A brief individual learning plan listing the services to be provided to each student, which shall be given to the parent/guardian in writing or at a parent/guardian conference, annually and each time the student moves to a new district
- 5. Staffing and staff development plans and practices to meet the needs of students and implement the program

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
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6. Parent/guardian and community involvement as specified in Education Code 54444.2, including, but not necessarily limited to, the establishment of a parent/guardian advisory council

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

7. Evaluations which include annual student progress and overall program effectiveness and quality control reports

The migrant education program shall provide for the same opportunities for parent involvement that are provided to parents/guardians for federal Title I programs. (20 USC 6394)

Contingent upon funding, the district shall provide home-based and/or school-based family literacy services to migratory families to enhance parents/guardians' literacy levels, parenting skills, and English language skills.

# **Parent Advisory Council**

The parent advisory council shall be comprised of members who are knowledgeable of the needs of migrant students and shall be elected by the parents/guardians of students enrolled in the district's migrant education program. The composition of the council shall be determined by the parents/guardians at a general meeting to which all parents/guardians of participating students shall be invited. The parents/guardians shall be informed, in a language they understand, that they have the sole authority to decide on the composition of the council. (Education Code 54444.2)

At least two-thirds of the advisory council shall consist of parents/guardians of migrant students. (Education Code 54444.2)

All parent/guardian candidates for the council shall be nominated by parents/guardians. Nonparent candidates, such as teachers, administrators, other school personnel, or students, shall be nominated by the groups they represent. All other community candidates shall be nominated by the parents/guardians. (Education Code 54444.2)

The parent/guardian advisory council shall meet at least six times during the year and shall: (Education Code 54444.4)

- 1. Establish program goals, objectives, and priorities
- 2. Review annual needs assessments, program activities for the school, and individual learning plans

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- 3. Advise on the selection, development, and reassignment of migrant education program staff
- 4. Participate actively in planning and negotiating program applications and service agreements
- 5. Perform all other responsibilities required under state and federal laws or regulations

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall establish and implement a training program for advisory council members to enable them to carry out their responsibilities. The training program shall be developed in consultation with the council and shall include appropriate training materials in a language understandable to each member. (Education Code 54444.2)

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide the council, without charge, a copy of all applicable state and federal migrant education statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines, audits, monitoring reports, and evaluations. Upon request, these materials also shall be provided without charge to each member of the council. (Education Code 54444.2)

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CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Board of Trustees may provide classes on Saturday and/or Sunday in order to meet the academic needs of students.

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(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)
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Weekend classes may include but are not limited to: (Education Code 37223)

1. Special day classes for mentally gifted minors

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(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)
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2. Makeup classes for unexcused absences occurring during the week

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(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)
(cf. 6154 - Homework/Makeup Work)
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Saturday classes also may be used to provide supplemental instruction for students who are failing to meet academic requirements and/or students who desire enrichment in core academic subjects in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation. (Education Code 37252, 37252.2, 37252.8, 37253, 41505-41506)

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(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)
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Legal Reference: (see next page)

# Legal Reference:

## **EDUCATION CODE**

37223 Weekend classes

37252-37254.1 Supplemental instruction

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

41601 Reports of average daily attendance

42239 Summer school attendance computation

44824 Weekend classes, assignment of certificated employees

48070-48070.5 Promotion and retention, supplemental instruction

48205 Excused absence for personal reasons

48260 Truants, definition

51000-52706 General instructional programs, especially

51002 Development of local programs within guidelines

REPEALED EDUCATION CODE FOR CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS

53025-53032 Intensive reading instruction

53091-53095 Intensive algebra instruction

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Any class offered on a Saturday or Sunday pursuant to Education Code 37223, except in regional occupational centers or programs, shall be one offered Monday through Friday during the regular school week. (Education Code 37223)

(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)

Except in regional occupational centers or programs, weekend attendance shall not result in crediting any student with more than five days of attendance per week. (Education Code 37223)

Attendance at weekend classes offered pursuant to Education Code 37223 shall be voluntary, except that truants, as defined in Education Code 48260, may be required to attend makeup classes on one day of a weekend in order to make up lost instructional time. (Education Code 37223)

(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

A student shall be excused from a weekend class if it is held on a day when such attendance would be in conflict with his/her religious beliefs. (Education Code 37252-37253, 48205)

(cf. 6141.2 - Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs)

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The Board of Trustees recognizes that summer school provides valuable opportunities for students to improve their skills and make academic progress. When the need is demonstrated and funds are available, the Superintendent/Principal or designee, with Board approval, shall establish summer school day and/or evening classes for purposes of remediation, enrichment, and/or acceleration.

The district's summer school program may be used to provide supplemental instruction for students failing to meet academic requirements and/or students who desire enrichment in core academic subjects in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. (Education Code 37252, 37252.2, 37252.8, 37253, 41505-41506; 5 CCR 11472)

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(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)
(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)
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## **Enrollment Priorities**

Priority to enroll in summer programs shall be given to district students who:

1. Are eligible for supplemental instruction on the basis of retention or recommendation for retention pursuant to Education Code 37252.2

The remaining openings shall be offered to district students on a first-come first-served basis.

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Because summer courses cover extensive instructional content in a relatively short time period, students who have more than three excused absences or one unexcused absence may not receive credit for their summer session class(es) unless they make-up missed work in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses) (cf. 6154 - Homework/Make-Up Work)

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37252-37254.1 Supplemental instruction

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

41976.5 Summer school programs, substantially disabled persons or graduating high school seniors

42238.8 Revenue limit for average daily attendance

42239 Summer school apportionments

48070-48070.5 Promotion and retention

51210 Areas of study for elementary schools

51220 Areas of study for grades 7-12

51730-51732 Powers of governing boards (authorization for elementary summer school classes)

56345 Extended-year program for special education students

58700-58702 Credit towards summer school apportionments for tutoring and homework assistance program

58806 Summer school apportionments

60851 Supplemental instruction toward exit examination

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53025-53032 Intensive reading instruction

53091-53095 Intensive algebra instruction

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3043 Extended school year, special education students

11470-11472 Summer school

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California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

Policy CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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The Board of Trustees desires to provide a comprehensive career technical education (CTE) program in grades 7-8 which integrates core academic instruction with technical and occupational instruction in order to increase student achievement, graduation rates, and readiness for postsecondary education and employment. The district's CTE program shall be designed to help students develop the academic, career, and technical skills needed to succeed in a knowledge- and skills-based economy. The program shall include a rigorous academic component and provide students with a strong experience and understanding of all aspects of an industry.

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(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)
(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)
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The Board shall review and approve all district plans and applications for the use of state and/or federal funds supporting CTE.

The Board shall adopt standards for CTE which meet or exceed the state's model content standards and describe the essential knowledge and skills that students enrolled in these courses are expected to master. The course curriculum shall be aligned with district-adopted standards and the state's curriculum framework.

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall develop partnerships with local businesses and industries to ensure that classroom instruction has real-world relevance and reflects labor market needs and priorities. He/she also shall work to develop connections with employers to provide students with work-based learning opportunities.

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(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
(cf. 5113.2 - Work Permits)
(cf. 6178.1 - Work Experience Education)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall collaborate with postsecondary institutions to ensure that the district's program is articulated with postsecondary programs in order to provide a sequential course of study.

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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall ensure that teachers of CTE courses possess the qualifications and credentials necessary to teach their assigned courses. He/she also shall provide teachers and administrators with professional development designed to enhance their knowledge of standards-aligned CTE and ways to integrate technical and occupational instruction with academic instruction.

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(cf. 4112.2 - Certification)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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The district shall provide services to support students in the CTE program, including comprehensive career guidance and academic counseling. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide counselors with professional development that includes, but is not limited to, information about current workforce needs and trends, requirements of the district's CTE program, work experience opportunities, and postsecondary education and employment options following high school.

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(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall regularly assess district needs for facilities, technologies, and equipment to increase students' access to the district's CTE program.

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(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 3440 - Inventories)
(cf. 3512 - Equipment)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
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# **Nondiscrimination**

The district's program shall provide equal access to and shall not unlawfully discriminate against students who are members of special populations. *Special populations* include, but are not limited to, students with disabilities; students from economically disadvantaged families, including foster youth; students preparing for nontraditional fields; single parents and single pregnant females; displaced homemakers; and students with limited English proficiency. (20 USC 2302, 2354, 2373)

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
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Prior to the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall advise students, parents/guardians, employees, and the general public that all CTE opportunities are offered without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, or disability. (34 CFR 104.8, 106.9)

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The above notification shall be disseminated in languages other than English as needed and shall state that the district will take steps to ensure that the lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in the district's CTE program. (20 USC 2354)

# **Advisory Committee**

The Board shall appoint a CTE advisory committee to develop recommendations on the district's CTE program and to serve as a liaison between the district and potential employers. The committee shall consist of one or more representatives of the general public knowledgeable about the disadvantaged; students; teachers; business; industry; school administration; and the field office of the California Department of Employment Development. (Education Code 8070)

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
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This committee may be expanded to include parents/guardians, representatives of labor organizations, representatives of special populations, and other interested individuals in order to involve them in the development, implementation, and evaluation of CTE programs funded through the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act.

# **Program Evaluation**

The Board shall monitor and evaluate the achievement of students participating in the district's CTE program. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall annually report to the Board on program enrollment and completion rates, including enrollment and completion of programs in nontraditional fields as defined in 20 USC 2302; student academic assessment results; attainment of career and technical skill proficiencies; attainment of a high school diploma or equivalent; graduation rates; and subsequent placement in postsecondary education or advanced training, military service, or employment.

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(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.2 - Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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At least every three years, the Board shall compare the district's curriculum, course content, and course sequence of CTE with the model state curriculum standards. (Education Code 52376)

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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall systematically review the district's CTE classes to determine the degree to which each class may offer an alternative means for completing and receiving credit for specific portions of the course of study prescribed by the district for high school graduation. The Board shall ensure that these classes are equivalent in content and rigor to the courses prescribed for graduation. (Education Code 52376)

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
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## Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

8006-8156 Career technical education

17078.70-17078.72 Career technical education facilities

33430-33432 Health science and medical technology grants

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

41540-41544 Targeted instructional improvement block grant

44260-44260.1 Designated subjects career technical education credential

44260.9 Designated subjects career technical education credential

48430 Legislative intent; continuation education schools and classes

48980 Parental notifications

51220-51229 Courses of study, grades 7-12

51760-51769.5 Work experience education

52300-52499.66 Career technical education

52519-52520 Adult education, occupational training

53080-53084 School-to-career initiatives

53086 California Career Resource Network

54690-54697 California Partnership Academies

56363 Related services for students with disabilities; specially designed career technical education

66205.5-66205.9 Approval of career technical education courses for admission to California colleges

88500-88551 Community college economic and workforce development program

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

54950-54963 Brown Act

#### LABOR CODE

3070-3099.5 Apprenticeships

#### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

1635 Credit for work experience education

3051.14 Specially designed career technical education for students with disabilities

10070-10075 Work experience education

10080-10092 Community classrooms

10100-10111 Cooperative vocational education

11500-11508 Regional occupational centers and programs

11535-11538 Career technical education contracts with private postsecondary schools

11610-11611 Regional adult and vocational education councils

Legal Reference continued: (see next page)

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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8

200-240 Apprenticeships

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

2301-2414 Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

6301-6578 Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

80.32 Equipment acquired with federal funds

100.B Appendix B Guidelines for eliminating discrimination in career technical education programs

104.1-104.39 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

106.1-106.61 Discrimination on the basis of sex, effectuating Title IX

#### Management Resources:

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<u>Orientation to Apprenticeship Overview</u>, Construction Management Task Force Fact Sheet, November 2007

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2008-2012 State Plan for Career Technical Education

Career Technical Education Framework for California Public Schools, Grades Seven Through

Twelve, January 2007

<u>California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards, Grades Seven Through Twelve,</u> May 2005

Management of Vocational Education Equipment, April 2000

<u>CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, DIVISION OF APPRENTICESHIP</u> STANDARDS PUBLICATIONS

Orientation to Apprenticeships: A Guide for Educators, January 2001

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CSBA: http://www.csba.org

Association for Career and Technical Education: http://www.acteonline.org

California Association of Regional Occupational Centers and Programs: http://www.carocp.org

California Career Resource Network: http://www.californiacareers.info

California Department of Education, Career Technical Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct

California Department of Employment Development: http://www.edd.ca.gov

California Department of Industrial Relations: http://www.dir.ca.gov

California Workforce Investment Board: http://www.calwia.org

Commission on Teacher Credentialing: http://www.ctc.ca.gov

U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education:

http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/pi/cte/index.html

U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics: http://www.bls.gov

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Policy

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall submit to the California Department of Education a district plan for the career technical education (CTE) program funded by the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act. The plan shall: (20 USC 2354)

- 1. Describe how program funds will be used to provide the CTE program components required by 20 USC 2355(b)
- 2. Describe how activities will be carried out in order to meet levels of performance established pursuant to 20 USC 2323
- 3. Describe how the district will:
  - a. Offer the appropriate courses of at least one CTE program of study described in 20 USC 2342

(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

- b. Improve the academic and technical skills of participating students by strengthening the academic and career technical components of such programs through the integration of coherent and rigorous academic content and relevant CTE programs to ensure learning in the core academic and career technical subjects
- c. Provide students with strong experience in and understanding of all aspects of an industry
- d. Ensure that participating students are taught to the same coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards as are taught to all other students

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

e. Encourage participating students to enroll in rigorous and challenging courses in core academic subjects

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(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)
(cf. 6142.92 - Mathematics Instruction)
(cf. 6142.93 - Science Instruction)
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4. Describe how CTE, academic, guidance, and administrative personnel will be provided comprehensive professional development, including initial teacher preparation, that promotes the integration of coherent and rigorous content aligned with academic standards with relevant CTE, including curriculum development

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(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
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5. Describe how parents/guardians, students, academic and CTE teachers, administrators, career guidance and academic counselors, representatives of tech prep consortia if applicable, representatives of business and industry, labor organizations, representatives of special populations, and other interested individuals will be involved in the development, implementation, and evaluation of CTE programs, and how such individuals and entities will be effectively informed about, and assisted in understanding, the requirements of the federal program

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
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- 6. Provide assurances that the district's CTE program is of such size, scope, and quality to bring about improvement in the quality of CTE
- 7. Describe the process that will be used to evaluate and continuously improve the district's performance

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
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- 8. Describe how the district will:
  - a. Review CTE programs and identify and adopt strategies to overcome barriers that result in lowering rates of access to or lowering success in the program for special populations, as defined in 20 USC 2302 and Board policy
  - b. Provide programs that are designed to enable special populations to meet established performance level targets
  - c. Provide activities to prepare special populations, including single parents and displaced homemakers, for high-skill, high-wage, or high-demand occupations that will lead to self-sufficiency
- 9. Describe how the district will ensure that individuals will not be discriminated against on the basis of their status as members of special populations

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
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10. Describe how funds will be used to promote preparation for nontraditional fields

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Nontraditional fields means occupations or fields of work, including careers in computer science, technology, and other emerging high-skill occupations, for which individuals from one gender constitute less than 25 percent of the individuals employed in each such occupation or field of work. (20 USC 2302)

11. Describe how career guidance and academic counseling will be provided to CTE students, including linkages to future education and training opportunities

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

- 12. Describe efforts to improve:
  - a. The recruitment and retention of CTE teachers and career guidance and academic counselors, including individuals in groups underrepresented in the teaching profession
  - b. The transition to teaching from business and industry

(cf. 4112.2 - Certification)

# **Participation of Private Schools**

Upon written request from representatives of nonprofit private schools within the geographical area served by the district, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall: (20 USC 2397)

- 1. Consult with the private school representatives in a timely and meaningful manner and, if the district so chooses, provide for the participation of private school secondary students in the district's CTE programs and activities funded under the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act
- 2. To the extent practicable, permit participation of CTE teachers, administrators and other personnel from private schools in the district's in-service and preservice CTE professional development programs funded through the Perkins Act

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SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION

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The Board of Trustees recognizes that high-quality supplemental instructional programs can motivate and support students to attain grade-level academic standards, overcome academic deficiencies, and/or acquire critical skills.

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(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)
(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6164.5 - Student Success Teams)
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# **Required Supplemental Programs**

The district shall offer direct, systematic, and intensive supplemental instruction for:

1. Students in grades 2-8 who have been retained or recommended for retention pursuant to Education Code 48070.5 (Education Code 37252.2)

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(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
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2. Students in grades 7-8 who do not demonstrate "sufficient progress" toward passing the state exit examination required for high school graduation in order to help them pass the exam (Education Code 37252, 60851)

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(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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"Sufficient progress" shall be determined based on a student's results on the state Standardized Testing and Reporting assessments and the minimum levels of proficiency recommended by the State Board of Education.

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(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
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In addition, students who do not possess sufficient English language skills to be assessed shall be considered students who do not demonstrate sufficient progress towards passing the exit exam and shall receive supplemental instruction designed to help them succeed on the exit exam. (Education Code 37252)

3. Eligible students from low-income families whenever the district school is receiving federal Title I funds and has been identified by the California Department of Education for program improvement for two or more years (20 USC 6316)

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(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)
(cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts)
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## **Optional Supplemental Programs**

As funding, facilities, and staffing permit, supplemental instruction may be offered to:

- 1. Students in grades 2-6 who have been identified as being "at risk" of retention pursuant to Education Code 48070.5 (Education Code 37252.8)
- 2. Students in grades 2-6 who have been identified as having a deficiency in mathematics, reading, or written expression based on the results of the Standardized Testing and Reporting Program (Education Code 37252.8)
- 3. Students in grades K-8 who seek enrichment in mathematics, science, or other core academic areas designated by the Superintendent of Public Instruction (Education Code 37253)

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(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)
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4. Students in grades K-4 who need or desire intensive reading opportunities that meet standards for a research-based comprehensive reading program, including appropriate support to address the needs of English language learners (Education Code 41505-41508)

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(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
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5. Students in grades 7-8 who need or desire intensive opportunities to practice skills in algebra and/or pre-algebra (Education Code 41505-41508)

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(cf. 6142.92 - Mathematics Instruction)
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# **Required Student Participation**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee may require participation in a supplemental instructional program for: (Education Code 37252.2, 37254.1)

- 1. Students in grades 7-8 who demonstrate insufficient progress toward the exit exam required for high school graduation pursuant to Education Code 37252
- 2. Students in grades 2-8 who are retained or recommended for retention pursuant to Education Code 37252.2
- 3. Students in grades 2-6 who are "at risk" of retention pursuant to Education Code 37252.8
- 4. Students in grades 2-6 who are deficient in mathematics, reading, or written expression pursuant to Education Code 37252.8
- 5. Students in grades K-8 participating in enrichment programs in core academic subjects pursuant to Education Code 37253

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall obtain written parent/guardian consent for a student's participation in the supplemental instructional program.

Legal Reference: (see next page)

#### Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

1240 County Superintendent duties

35186 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

37200-37202 School calendar

37223 Weekend classes

37252-37254.1 Supplemental instruction

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

42239 Supplemental instruction, apportionments

44259 Comprehensive reading program

46100 Length of school day

48070-48070.5 Promotion and retention

48200 Compulsory education

48985 Translation of notices

51210 Courses of study, elementary schools

51220 Courses of study, secondary schools

52378-52380 Supplemental School Counseling Program

60603 Definitions, core curriculum areas

60640-60648 Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

60850-60859 High school exit examination

## REPEALED EDUCATION CODE FOR CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS

52012 Establishment of school site council

52014-52015 School plans

53025-53031 Intensive reading instruction

53091-53094 Intensive algebra instruction

### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

11470-11472 Summer school

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6316 Program improvement schools and districts

### Management Resources:

## CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

Implementation of Assembly Bill (AB) 347: requiring instruction and services for students who have not passed the exit exam but have met all other graduation requirements, October 26, 2007

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GUIDANCE

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Creating Strong Supplemental Educational Services Programs, May 2004

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

U.S. Department of Education: http://www.ed.gov

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SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION

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Supplemental instructional programs shall be offered outside the regular school day. Such programs may be offered during the summer, before school, after school, on Saturday, and/or during intersessions. (Education Code 37252, 37252.2, 37252.8, 37253)

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(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)
(cf. 6112 - School Day)
(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
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Priority for enrollment in supplemental instruction offered at a time other than Saturday shall be given to any student whose parent/guardian has informed the Superintendent/Principal or designee that the student is unable to attend a Saturday school program for religious reasons. (Education Code 37252, 37252.2, 37252.8, 37253)

# **Supplemental Instruction Based on Retention or Academic Deficiencies**

Students in grades 2-8 who have been retained or recommended for retention shall be eligible for supplemental instruction under the following circumstances: (Education Code 37252.2)

- 1. For the purposes of this program, a student shall be considered to be enrolled in a grade immediately upon completion of the preceding grade.
- 2. Students who were enrolled in grade 6 or 9 during the prior school year shall be eligible for summer school instruction.

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(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
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To the extent that the district provides supplemental instruction to students in grades 2-6 who are identified as being at risk of retention or as having deficiencies in mathematics, reading, or written expression, those students also shall be subject to the provisions set forth in items #1 and #2 above. (Education Code 37252.8)

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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall seek the active involvement of parents/guardians and classroom teachers in the development and implementation of supplemental instructional programs. (Education Code 37252.2, 37252.8)

An intensive remedial program in reading or written expression shall, as needed, include instruction in phonemic awareness, systematic explicit phonics and decoding, word attack skills, spelling and vocabulary, explicit instruction of reading comprehension, writing, and study skills. (Education Code 37252.2, 37252.8)

(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)

# **Supplemental Instruction Based on Progress Toward Passing Exit Examination**

Students in grades 7-8 who do not demonstrate "sufficient progress," as defined in Board policy, toward passing the state exit exam required for high school graduation shall be eligible for supplemental instruction under the following circumstances: (Education Code 37252)

1. For purposes of this program, a student shall be considered to be enrolled in a grade immediately upon completion of the preceding grade.

The curriculum of the supplemental instruction program shall reflect state academic content standards to the extent that the district curriculum is aligned with those state standards, and shall be designed to assist students to succeed on the exit exam. (Education Code 60851)

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

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CHUALAR UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Chualar, California BP 6181(a)

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS OF CHOICE

The Board of Trustees desires to provide a variety of innovative educational programs to accommodate students' diverse learning needs and interests, foster student engagement in the school, and enhance student achievement. Toward this end, the Board may establish and maintain alternative schools or programs of choice.

A district alternative school or program of choice may differ from the traditional educational program in its academic emphasis, sequence of curriculum, educational philosophy, instructional strategy, structure, setting, size, scheduling, targeted student population, decision-making process, and/or other components. All alternative schools or programs of choice shall offer enrolled students the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve district content standards in core academic subjects and shall provide access to the course of study required for high school graduation.

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(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)
(cf. 6172.1 - Concurrent Enrollment in College Classes)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
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Any staff member, parent/guardian of any student, or other interested person may request the Board to establish an alternative school or program of choice. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall establish procedures and criteria for reviewing proposals. Based on such criteria, he/she shall evaluate all proposals received and present his/her recommendation to the Board for action.

As necessary to provide flexibility to alternative schools or programs of choice to improve student performance and/or streamline operations, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may request that the Superintendent of Public Instruction waive any provision of the Education Code except provisions specified in Education Code 58509.

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall establish processes to ensure communication among staff in the alternative schools or programs of choice and staff in the regular educational program in order to share information and ideas.

### **Program Evaluation**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall conduct an annual evaluation of each alternative school or program of choice which includes testing of basic skills for student participants and which identifies the variables that may have affected student academic achievement. The evaluation process shall include input from teachers, parents/guardians, and students from the alternative school or program of choice. (Education Code 58510)

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Evaluation reports shall be sent to the Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before August 1 following the close of the school year. (Education Code 58510)

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(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
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Prior to submitting the evaluation report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall report the evaluation results to the Board. The Board shall review the effectiveness of the school or program in meeting program objectives, compare student achievement data with that of students in the district traditional educational program, evaluate changes in the school or program over time, and make program modifications as needed.

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
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### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

35160.5 Intradistrict open enrollment

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

48980 Parental notifications

52052 Academic Performance Index

58500-58512 Alternative schools and programs of choice

## CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

1068-1074 Alternative schools accountability model

11705 Charter schools as alternative schools

**COURT DECISIONS** 

American Civil Rights Foundation v. Los Angeles Unified School District, (2008) 169 Cal. App. 4th 436

#### Management Resources:

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Creating and Sustaining Successful K-8 Magnet Schools, September 2008

Innovations in Education: Successful Magnet High Schools, September 2008

#### **WEB SITES**

California Department of Education, Alternative Schools of Choice: http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/eo/as Foundation for California Community Colleges, Early College High School Initiative:

http://www.foundationccc.org/ECHS

*U.S. Department of Education, Office of Innovation and Improvement:* 

http://www.ed.gov/about/ofices/list/oii

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### ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS OF CHOICE

### **Notifications**

At the beginning of each school year, the "Notice of Alternative Schools" shall be sent to all parents/guardians as set forth in Education Code 58501. During the entire month of March of each year, a copy of this notice shall be posted at the school in at least two places normally visible to students, teachers, and visiting parents/guardians. (Education Code 58501)

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(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)
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Copies of the law providing for alternative schools or programs of choice (Education Code 58500-58512) shall be made available in the school office to any interested parent/guardian, teacher, or student. (Education Code 58501)

## **Proposals**

All proposals for the establishment of an alternative school or program of choice shall:

1. Address the district's vision, goals, and academic standards

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(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
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2. Demonstrate that the number of students interested in enrolling in the alternative school or program of choice is sufficient to meet desired student-teacher staffing ratios

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(cf. 6151 - Class Size)
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- 3. Demonstrate that teachers are willing to work within the school or program
- 4. Demonstrate that the proposed operational plan conforms with district timelines and makes equitable use of district staff, facilities, and resources
- 5. Provide a statement of the specific anticipated costs of implementing the proposal as well as funding sources, including outside funding sources and/or district support
- 6. Include a comprehensive plan for an annual evaluation of the program to be carried out by the district

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(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee may establish an advisory committee of staff, parents/guardians, and community members to evaluate proposals for alternative schools or programs of choice and make recommendations to the Superintendent/Principal.

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(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
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#### Enrollment

Students enrolled in alternative schools or programs of choice shall be selected entirely from volunteers. (Education Code 58503)

Alternative schools and programs of choice shall comply with state and federal law and Board policy regarding nondiscrimination in district programs.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
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Previous classroom performance shall not be a criterion limiting any student from the opportunity to attend an alternative school or program of choice. (Education Code 58504)

When an alternative class group is established within the school, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall ensure that students currently enrolled in the school will not be displaced.

# **Operations**

The district shall maintain and fund alternative schools or programs of choice at the same level of support as other district educational programs for students of the same age level. (Education Code 58507)

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(cf. 3100 - Budget)
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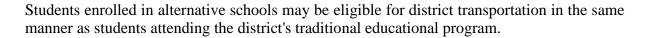
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(cf. 4113 - Assignment)
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Course credits earned in an alternative school or program of choice shall be equivalent to the credits earned in the district traditional educational program. Students enrolled in such alternative schools or programs shall be expected to complete all district graduation requirements and shall earn a regular diploma.

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(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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(cf. 3250 - Transportation Fees) (cf. 3540 - Transportation)

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HOME AND HOSPITAL INSTRUCTION

A student with a temporary disability which makes school attendance impossible or inadvisable shall receive individual instruction in the student's home or in a hospital or other residential health facility, excluding state hospitals. This instruction applies to students incurring a physical, mental or emotional disability after which they can reasonably be expected to return to regular day classes or an alternative education program without special intervention. It does not apply to students identified as individuals with exceptional needs pursuant to Education Code 56026. (Education Code 48206.3)

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(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
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Home or hospital instruction shall be provided only by teachers with valid California teaching credentials who consent to the assignment. (Education Code 44865)

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(cf. 4112.2 - Certification)
(cf. 4113 - Assignment)
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The district shall offer at least one hour of instruction for every day of instruction offered by the district in the regular education program. No student shall be credited with more than five days of attendance per calendar week or credited with more than the total number of calendar days that regular classes are offered by the district in any fiscal year. (Education Code 48200, 48206.3)

Insofar as possible, the teacher providing home or hospital instruction shall consult with the student's current classroom teacher(s) so as to provide a continuity of instruction that enables the student to stay abreast with the regular school program.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee may require verification through any reasonable means that the student requires home instruction. In addition, this verification shall also state that the disabling condition will not expose the teacher to a contagious disease that can be transmitted through casual contact. Home or hospital instruction shall not be denied to students with Hepatitis B, herpes or HIV/AIDS, as long as the home or hospital practices current preventive protocol as determined by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

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(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)
(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)
(cf. 5112.2 - Exclusions from Attendance)
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
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### **Nondistrict Students**

A student of another district who is temporarily disabled and confined to a hospital or health facility within this district shall be eligible to receive individual instruction in this district. (Education Code 48207)

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In such circumstances, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the district of the student's presence in a qualifying hospital. (Education Code 48208)

Upon receiving such notification, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall: (Education Code 48208)

- 1. Within five working days of the notification, determine whether the student is able to receive individualized instruction and, if so, when it shall begin. Instruction shall begin no later than five working days after the Superintendent/Principal or designee has determined that the student is able to receive individualized instruction.
- 2. Within five working days of the beginning of the individualized instruction, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide written notification to the district in which the student was previously enrolled stating that the student shall not be counted by that district for purposes of computing average daily attendance, effective the date on which individualized instruction began.

Alternatively, the Superintendent/Principal or designee may enter into an agreement with the district in which the student was previously enrolled to have that district provide the individualized instruction. (Education Code 48208)

#### **Parental Notifications**

At the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall notify parents/guardians that: (Education Code 48208, 48980)

- 1. Individual instruction is available for temporarily disabled students as prescribed by Education Code 48206.3.
- 2. If a student becomes temporarily disabled, it is the parent/guardian's responsibility to notify the receiving district of the student's presence in a qualifying hospital.

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

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### Legal Reference:

### EDUCATION CODE

44865 Qualifications for home teachers

45031 Home teachers

48200 Minimum school day

48206.3 Pupils with temporary disabilities; individual instruction; definitions; computing average daily attendance

48206.5 Continuation of individual instruction programs for students with temp. disabilities

48207 Pupils with temporary disabilities in hospitals out- side of school district; compliance with residency requirements

48208 Presence of pupils with temporary disabilities in qualifying hospitals; notice by parents or guardians; commencement of individualized instruction

48980 Required notification of rights and availability of nutrition and individualized instruction programs

51800-51802 Employment of home teachers

### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

421 Method of verification

423 Prolonged illness

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The Board of Trustees recognizes the need to provide an appropriate alternative educational program for expelled students who are prohibited from attending the regular school in the district and for certain students referred by probation or district processes. The district shall operate one or more community day schools designed to meet the needs of these students. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall ensure that any such school is operated in accordance with legal requirements related to enrollment, instructional time and facilities.

The Board perceives the community day school as a flexible component of a comprehensive effort to meet the needs of expelled and other at-risk students throughout the county. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall solicit input from the County Superintendent of Schools and neighboring districts when designing the district community day school and shall collaborate with them in fulfilling countywide needs.

In order to foster positive attitudes and academic progress, the Board recognizes that community day schools must give students substantial individual help with their problems. Community day school staff shall collaborate with district counselors, psychologists, and other support staff and with the county office of education, law enforcement, probation, and human services agency staff who work with at-risk youth. To the extent possible, community day school programs shall provide a low student-teacher ratio as well as individualized instruction and assessment.

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(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall establish procedures for the involuntary transfer of students to a community day school in accordance with law and administrative regulation.

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(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee may require community day school students to attend school for up to seven days each week in a directed program designed to provide students with the skills and attitudes necessary for success when they are returned to a regular school environment.

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### Legal Reference:

### **EDUCATION CODE**

1980-1986 County community schools

17085-17096 Emergency portable facilities

17280-17316 Field Act, approvals

17365-17374 Field Act, fitness of occupancy

48660-48666 Community day schools

48900-48926 Suspension or expulsion

### WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

300 Minors subject to jurisdiction

602 Minors violating laws defining crime; ward of court

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

#### Management Resources:

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0306.96 Expulsion Policies and Expulsion Placements, SPB: 95/96-04

**WEB SITES** 

CDE, Educational Options Office: http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/essdiv/edoptshome.html

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**Policy** 

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## **Involuntary Transfer**

A student may be assigned to a community day school only upon meeting one or more of the following conditions: (Education Code 48662)

1. The student is expelled for any reason.

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

- 2. The student is probation-referred pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 300 and/or 602.
- 3. The student is referred by a school attendance review board (SARB) or other district referral process.

The first priority for assignment to a community day school shall be given to students expelled pursuant to Education Code 48915(d). Second priority shall be given to students expelled for other reasons, and third priority shall be given to students referred according to item #2 or #3 above. These priorities are applicable unless the district has an agreement that the County Superintendent of Schools shall serve any of the above students. (Education Code 48662)

In the case of any student who has been identified as eligible for services under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, assignment to a community day school shall be first approved by the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team or school committee (e.g., student study team) as required by law.

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(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion (Students with Disabilities))
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6159.4 - Behavioral Interventions for Special Education Students)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
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At least 10 calendar days prior to the involuntary transfer of a student as a result of a district referral process, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide written notice of the transfer to the student's parent/guardian or to the adult student age 18 or older. The notice shall contain a statement of the facts and circumstances upon which the transfer is based, its duration, and the conditions for readmission. The notice shall advise the student's parent/guardian or adult student of the opportunity to inspect and obtain copies of all documents supporting the transfer. In addition, the notice shall also state that the parent/guardian or adult student has five school days to request a meeting with the Superintendent/Principal or designee to discuss the transfer.

If the Superintendent/Principal designates an individual to represent the district at the meeting, the individual so designated shall not be a member of the staff of the school.

At the meeting, the reason for the transfer shall be reviewed with the parent/guardian or adult student and the parent/guardian or adult student may present evidence on the student's behalf.

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall send the parent/guardian or adult student written notice of the decision to transfer or not transfer within three school days of the meeting.

If the parent/guardian or adult student desires to appeal the Superintendent's decision to the Board, he/she shall file written notice of the intent to appeal within five school days of receiving the decision. The Board shall determine whether or not to hear the appeal within 15 calendar days. If the Board desires to hear the appeal, the Board shall decide the appeal within 30 calendar days of receipt of the notice of the appeal. The Board's decision shall be final.

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Academic programs offered in the community day school shall be comparable to those available to students of a similar age in the school district. (Education Code 48663)

The minimum school day for community day school students shall be 360 minutes of classroom instruction provided by a certificated employee of the district reporting attendance for apportionment purposes. Independent study shall not be used as a means of providing any part of this minimum day. (Education Code 48663)

(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)

#### **Facilities**

To house community day school operations, the district shall do one or more of the following: (Education Code 17292.5)

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- 1. Use available school facilities conforming with Field Act requirements
- 2. Apply for emergency portable classrooms pursuant to Education Code 17085-17096.
- 3. Upon certifying to the State Allocation Board that all reasonable efforts have been made to use facilities that conform with the Field Act requirements of item #1 above, enter into lease agreements for facilities for which a structural engineer has submitted a report stating that substantial structural hazards do not exist.

Every three years, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall report to the State Allocation Board on the facilities used for the district's community day programs and efforts to place these programs in facilities that conform with the requirements of item #1 above. (Education Code 17292.5)

### **Location of the School Site**

A district desiring to operate a community day school to serve any of grades K-6, but no higher grades, may situate the community day school on the same site as an elementary, middle, junior high, comprehensive senior high, opportunity or continuation school when the Board certifies by a two-thirds vote that no satisfactory alternative facilities are available for a community day school in those grades. (Education Code 48661)

A district organized to serve grades K-8, but no higher grades, may situate a community day school on the same site as an elementary, middle, junior high, comprehensive senior high, opportunity or continuation school when the Board certifies by a two-thirds vote that no satisfactory alternative facilities are available for a community day school in those grades. (Education Code 48661)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

A district with 2,500 ADA or less, may situate a community day school on the same site as an elementary, middle, junior high, comprehensive senior high, opportunity, or continuation school when the Board certifies by a two-thirds vote that no satisfactory alternative facilities are available for a community day school. (Education Code 48661)

Such Board certifications shall be valid for not more than one school year and may be renewed by a subsequent two-thirds vote of the Board. (Education Code 48661)

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### **EVALUATION OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that it is accountable to students, parents/guardians, and the community for the effectiveness of the district's educational program in meeting district goals for student learning. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall conduct a continual evaluation of the curriculum and the instructional program in order to improve student achievement.

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(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
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The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall provide the Board and the community with regular reports on student progress toward Board-established standards of expected achievement at each grade level in each area of study. In addition, he/she shall evaluate and report data for the district school and for every numerically significant subgroup of the student population, including, but not limited to, school and subgroup performance on statewide achievement indicators

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(cf. 0510 - School Accountability Report Card)
(cf. 0520.1 - High Priority Schools Grant Program)
(cf. 0520.4 - Quality Education Investment Schools)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
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Based on these reports, the Board shall take appropriate actions to maintain the effectiveness of programs and to improve the quality of education that district students receive.

### **Categorical Program Monitoring**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall cooperate with the California Department of Education (CDE) in the categorical program monitoring process to ensure that district categorical programs comply with federal and state laws and regulations. The Superintendent/Principal or designee shall report to the Board regarding the results of this monitoring process.

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(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 0420.1 - School-Based Program Coordination)
(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)
(cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts)
(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)
(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development Programs)
(cf. 5148.1 - Child Care Services for Parenting Students)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
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(cf. 6142.1 - Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)
(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
(cf. 6178.1 - Work Experience Education)
(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)
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On an ongoing basis, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall conduct a district self-evaluation which may utilize tools developed by the district or the CDE to ensure compliance of district categorical programs with legal requirements.

# **Evaluation of Consolidated Categorical Programs**

The Superintendent/Principal or designee and the Board shall annually determine whether the district's categorical programs funded through the state's consolidated application are supportive of the core curriculum and are effective in meeting the needs of the students they are intended to serve. As a basis for this evaluation, the Superintendent/Principal or designee shall recommend for Board approval the specific, measurable criteria that shall be used at the school. These criteria shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, progress toward goals contained in the school's single plan for student achievement and progress of the total student population and each numerically significant subgroup toward growth targets on the statewide Academic Performance Index.

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(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

Legal Reference: (see next page)
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### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

33400-33407 Educational evaluations

35178.4 Notice of accreditation status

44662 Evaluation and assessment guidelines, certificated employee performance

48985 Compliance with translation of parental notifications

51041 Education program, evaluation and revisions

51226 Model curriculum standards

52050-52059 Public Schools Accountability Act

54650-54659 Education Improvement Incentive Program

62005.5 Failure to comply with purposes of funds

64000-64001 Consolidated application process

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3930-3937 Program requirements

3942 Continuity of funding

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 Adequate yearly progress

### Management Resources:

#### CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Maximizing School Board Leadership: Curriculum, 1996

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Ongoing Program Self-Evaluation Tools (OPSET)

Categorical Program Monitoring Instruments

**WEB SITES** 

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education, Testing and Accountability: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), Accrediting Commission for Schools:

http://www.acswasc.org

Policy adopted: