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CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Governing Board desires to provide child care and development services which meet the developmental needs of children and offer a convenient child care alternative for parents/guardians in the community.

The Board shall enter into a contract with the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) for the provision of child care and development services by the district.

The district shall work cooperatively with the local child care and development planning council, public and private agencies, parents/guardians, and other community members to assess child care needs in the community, establish program priorities, obtain ongoing feedback on program quality, and supply information about child care options.

The Board shall approve for the district's child care and development program a written philosophical statement, goals, and objectives that reflect the cultural and linguistic characteristics of the families to be served and address the program components specified in 5 CCR 18272-18281 and the accompanying administrative regulation. (5 CCR 18271)

When a district child care program is physically closed by local or state public health order, the district shall provide distance learning when required to do so as a condition of funding or when required by law.

Eligibility and Enrollment

Childcare admissions policies and procedures shall be in writing and available to the public. Such policies and procedures shall include criteria designating those children whose needs can be met by the child care center's program and services, the ages of children who will be accepted, program activities, any supplementary services provided, any field trip provisions, any transportation arrangements, food service provisions, and health examination requirements. (5 CCR 18105; 22 CCR 101218)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that subsidized child care ~~is~~ services are provided to eligible families to the extent that state and/or federal funding is available and in accordance with enrollment priorities specified in Welfare and Institutions Code 10271 and 5 CCR 18106.

To the extent that space is available after the enrollment of children who are eligible for subsidized services, priority for admissions shall be given to district students, children of district students, and children of district employees.

A child's eligibility for transitional kindergarten enrollment shall not impact family eligibility for a childcare or preschool program. (Education Code 48000)

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Staffing

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that individuals working in child care and development programs have the necessary qualifications, experience, and training, and have satisfied all legal requirements.

Facilities

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent or designee, the Board may approve any of the following for the provision of child care and development services:

1. The use of existing district facilities that have capacity
2. Renovation or improvement of district facilities to make them suitable for such services
3. Purchase of relocatable child care facilities
4. Inclusion of child care facilities in any new construction
5. Agreement with a public agency or community organization for the use of community facilities

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that facilities used for child care services meet all applicable health and safety standards. (5 CCR 18020; 22 CCR 101238-101239.2)

Complaints

For a licensed child care center, any complaint alleging health and safety violations shall be referred to CDSS (5 CCR 4611). Any other alleged violation of state or federal laws governing child care and development programs shall be investigated and resolved using the district's procedures in BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

Program Evaluation

The Superintendent or designee shall annually conduct an evaluation of the district's child care and development services in accordance with state requirements. The results of the evaluation shall be used to develop an action plan which establishes program goals and objectives for the coming year and addresses any areas identified as needing improvement. (5 CCR 18279-18281)

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Legal Reference:

<u>State</u>	<u>Description</u>
22 CCR 101151-101191	Licensing and application procedures
22 CCR 101151-101239.2	General requirements; licensed child care centers
22 CCR 101212-101231	Continuing requirements
22 CCR 101237-101239.2	Facilities and equipment
34 CFR 303.1-303.734	Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities
5 CCR 18000-18434	Child care and development programs
5 CCR 18012-18122	General requirements
5 CCR 18180-18192	Federal and state migrant programs
5 CCR 18210-18213	Severely handicapped program
5 CCR 18220-18231	Alternative payment program
5 CCR 18240-18249	Resource and referral program
5 CCR 18270-18281	Program quality; accountability
5 CCR 18290-18292	Staffing ratios
5 CCR 18295	Waiver of qualifications for site supervisor
5 CCR 18300-18308	Appeals and dispute resolution
5 CCR 4600-4687	Uniform complaint procedures and Williams complaints
5 CCR 80067-80067.2	Early Childhood Education Specialist Credential
5 CCR 80105-80125	Commission on Teacher Credentialing; child care and development permits
Ed. Code 46120	Expanded Learning Opportunities Program
Ed. Code 48000	Transitional kindergarten
Ed. Code 49540-49546	Child care food program
Ed. Code 49570	National School Lunch program
Ed. Code 56244	Staff development funding
Ed. Code 8200-8340	California State Preschool Program
Ed. Code 8207	California State Preschool Program administration
Ed. Code 8337	Early Education Expansion Program
Ed. Code 8482-8484.65	After School Education and Safety Program
Ed. Code 8484.7-8484.9	21st Century Community Learning Centers
H&S Code 120325-120380	Immunization against communicable diseases
H&S Code 120440	Disclosure of immunization information to local and state health departments
H&S Code 1596.70-1596.895	California Child Day Care Act
H&S Code 1596.90-1597.21	Day care centers
W&I Code 10200-10206	Early Childhood Development Act of 2020
W&I Code 10207-10215	General provisions
W&I Code 10207-10492.2	Child Care and Development Services Act

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Legal Reference:

State

W&I Code 10217-10224.5

W&I Code 10225-10234

W&I Code 10235-10238

W&I Code 10240-10243

W&I Code 10250-10252

W&I Code 10260-10263

W&I Code 10271

W&I Code 10271.5

W&I Code 10271.7

W&I Code 10272.5

W&I Code 10273

W&I Code 10276

W&I Code 10290

W&I Code 10291

W&I Code 10315

W&I Code 10332

W&I Code 10491-10491.1

Federal

20 USC 1232g

20 USC 1400-1482

42 USC 1751-1769j

42 USC 9831-9852c

42 USC 9857-9858r

45 CFR 98.1-98.93

7 CFR 210.1-210.33

Management ResourcesCA Commission on Teacher
Credentialing PublicationCA Dept of Social Services
PublicationCA Dept of Social Services
Publication**Description**

Resource and referral programs

Alternative payment programs

Migrant child care and development programs

General child care and development programs

Family child care home education networks

Child care and development services for children with special
needsEligibility, enrollment and priority of services; physical
examinations; rules and regulations

Income eligibility

Family member certified as eligible to receive benefits;
definition

Order of disenrollment

Preferred placement for otherwise eligible children ages 11 or 12

Child Care and Development Fund notice to providers

Fee schedule for families using preschool and child care and
development services

Families exempt from family fees

Transfer of information to public schools

Children residing in another district; use of facilities and
personnelExpulsion and suspension procedures in childcare and
development services programs**Description**

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

School Lunch Program

Head Start programs

Child Care and Development Block Grant

Child Care and Development Fund

National School Lunch Program

DescriptionProposed Amendments to Title 5 of the California Code of
Regulations Pertaining to the PK-3 Childhood Education
Specialist Credential, Coded Correspondence 23-02, February
10, 2023Child Care Transition: The Early Childhood Development Act
of 2020American Rescue Plan Act Child Care & Development Division
FAQ

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<u>State</u>	<u>Description</u>
CA Dept of Social Services Publication	COVID-19 Licensed Child Care Facilities and Providers (FAQs)
Court Decision	CBS Inc. v. The Superior Court of Los Angeles County, State Department of Social Services, (2001) 91 Cal.App.4th 892
U.S. Department of Education Publication	Policy Statement on Expulsion and Suspension Policies in Early Childhood Settings, 2016
Website	Osteopathic Medical Board of California
Website	Medical Board of California
Website	California Department of Social Services, Child Care Licensing
Website	EveryChild California, an Association of Leaders Advancing Early Learning
Website	Office of Administrative Law
Website	Universal Prekindergarten, California's Great Start
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services
Website	California Commission on Teacher Credentialing
Website	California Association for the Education of Young Children
Website	California Department of Education, Early Education Division
Website	California Department of Education, Early Education Management Bulletins
Website	California Head Start Association
Website	California School-Age Consortium
Website	National Association for the Education of Young Children
Website	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Website	Commission on Teacher Credentialing
Website	CSBA
Website	U.S. Department of Education
Website	California Department of Public Health

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