

COMPREHENSIVE LOCAL PLAN FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Governing Board desires to provide a free and appropriate public education to all individuals with disabilities, aged 3 to 21 years, who reside in the district, including children who have been suspended or expelled or placed by the district in a nonpublic school or agency services.

Students shall be referred for special education instruction and services only after the resources of the regular education program have been considered, and where appropriate, utilized. (Education Code 56303)

(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
(cf. 6146.4 - Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities)
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program (IEP))
(cf. 6159.1 - Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education)
(cf. 6159.2 - Nonpublic Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education)
(cf. 6159.3 - Appointment of Surrogate Parent for Special Education Students)
(cf. 6159.4 - Behavioral Interventions for Special Education Students)
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification of Individuals for Special Education)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

In order to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities and employ staff with adequate expertise for this purpose, the district participates as a member of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA).

The Superintendent or designee shall extend the district's full cooperation to the SELPA. The policies and procedures of the SELPA shall be applied as policies and regulations of this district, with the exception of those that apply to complaints, unless the local plan specifically authorizes the district to operate under its own policies and regulations.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

The special education local plan area shall administer a local plan and administer the allocation of funds. (Education Code 56195)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

56000-56001 Education for individuals with exceptional needs
56020-56035 Definitions
56040-56046 General provisions
56048-56050 Surrogate parents
56055 Foster parents
56060-56063 Substitute teachers
56170-56177 Children enrolled in private schools
56190-56194 Community advisory committees
56195-56195.10 Local plans
56205-56208 Local plan requirements

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56213 Special education local plan areas with small or sparse populations
56240-56245 Staff development

56300-56385 Identification and referral, assessment, instructional planning, implementation, and review
56440-56449 Programs for individuals between the ages of three and five years
56500-56508 Procedural safeguards, including due process rights
56520-56524 Behavioral interventions
56600-56606 Evaluation, audits and information
56836-56836.05 Administration of local plan

GOVERNMENT CODE

95000-95029 California Early Intervention Services Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3000-3089 Regulations governing special education

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1485 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.10-99.22 Inspection, review and procedures for amending education records

104.1-104.39 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

300.500-300.514 Due process procedures for parents and children

303.1-303.654 Early intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CDE, Special Education Division: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/sed>

U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs:

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/OSEP>