

Teacher Qualifications Under The No Child Left Behind Act

Recognizing the importance of teacher effectiveness in improving student achievement, the Governing Board desires to recruit, hire and train teachers who possess the subject matter knowledge and teaching skills required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act in programs for educationally disadvantaged students and for students in core academic subjects.

(cf. 4112.2 - Certification)

(cf. 4112.21 - Interns)

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

(cf. 4112.23 - Special Education Staff)

All teachers newly hired to teach core academic subjects in a program supported by Title I funds shall be "highly qualified" as defined by federal law and the State Board of Education. (20 USC 6319, 7801; 34 CFR 200.55; 5 CCR 6100-6115)

(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

All teachers teaching in core academic subjects shall be "highly qualified" not later than the end of the 2005-06 school year. (20 USC 6319, 7801; 34 CFR 200.55; 5 CCR 6100-6115)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board with regular reports on the progress of the district's teachers toward becoming fully qualified. Such reports shall include, but need not be limited to, the percentage of teachers in core academic subjects, districtwide and at each school, who meet the definition of a "highly qualified" teacher in accordance with federal law and the percentage of teachers who are receiving professional development to enable them to satisfy this definition.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

Legal Reference: See next page

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

44500-44508 Peer Assistance and Review Program for Teachers

44662 Performance evaluation; Stull Act review

44664 Teacher evaluation; program to improve performance

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

6100-6125 Teacher qualifications, No Child Left Behind Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 Parental notifications

6312 District Title I plan

6314 Schoolwide programs

6315 Targeted assistance schools

6319 Highly qualified teachers

7801 Definitions, highly qualified teacher

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

200.55-200.57 Highly qualified teachers

200.61 Parent notification regarding teacher qualifications

Management Resources:

CDE PUBLICATIONS

NCLB Teacher Requirements Resource Guide, March 2004

CTC PUBLICATIONS

Standards of Quality and Effectiveness for Professional Teacher Induction Programs, March 2002

Standards of Quality and Effectiveness for Professional Teacher Preparation Programs, September 2001

California Standards for the Teaching Profession, July 1997

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GUIDANCE

New No Child Left Behind Flexibility: Highly Qualified Teachers, Fact Sheet, March 15, 2004

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California's Implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act, July 2003

WEB SITES

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

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

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

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>