

POLICY 6184: Continuation Education**Original Adoption:** 9/13/1984**Revised:** 11/13/1995, 11/19/2001, 8/03/2021

The Governing Board shall provide a continuation education program as an option for ~~“at promise” and all other~~ *a school of choice option for all* students who may need a flexible educational environment. The continuation education program shall be designed to meet the educational needs of each student, provide an opportunity for participating students to complete the required course of instruction necessary to graduate from high school, emphasize occupational orientation or a work study schedule, and offer intensive guidance services.

The continuation education program shall be aligned with the goals identified in the district's local control and accountability plan, designed and implemented in collaboration with other high schools within the district, and coordinated with other educational options available to district students.

The Superintendent or designee shall appoint a director of continuation education who shall be responsible for the organization and administration of the district's continuation education program and guidance, placement, and follow-up services for participating students.

The continuation high school shall be conducted for not less than 175 days during a school year. The Board may maintain continuation classes during the district's regular school hours, during special school hours for these classes established by the Board, or during such hours and for such length of time during the day or evening that adult education classes are maintained.

Students eligible for continuation education classes shall be age 16 or 17 years at the time of their enrollment and shall not have graduated from high school.

A student may be involuntarily transferred into a continuation education program in accordance with law and administrative regulation.

With the consent of the Superintendent or designee, a student may voluntarily enroll in continuation classes in order to receive special attention such as individualized instruction.

Priority for voluntary enrollment in continuation classes shall be given to students who need credit recovery in order to graduate with their peers and to students who, due to employment, pregnancy, parenting responsibilities, or other circumstances, are unable to attend a comprehensive high school. A student with a disability shall be admitted only if his/her individualized education program specifically states that a continuation high school setting meets his/her needs.

Enrollment criteria shall be applied consistently throughout the district.

Students may be enrolled in a regional occupational center or program within the county in lieu of, or in combination with, continuation education.

Students otherwise subject to compulsory attendance in continuation education classes may be exempted if they meet any of the conditions specified in Education Code 48410 and AR 5112.1 - Exemptions from Attendance.

The Superintendent or designee shall regularly evaluate the effectiveness of district continuation education programs and report these evaluation results to the Board. Indicators may include, but not be limited to, disaggregated data on student enrollment, student assessment results, and graduation rates.

Policy Reference Disclaimer: These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

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Ed. Code 46170
Ed. Code 48400
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Ed. Code 48903
Ed. Code 51224-51225.3
Fam. Code 7000-7002
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Purposes for which emancipated minor considered an adult

Management Resources

Court Decision
John W. Gardner Center Publication

Website

Description

A.M. v. Albertsons, LLC, (2009) Cal.App.4th 455
Intake Processes at Continuation High Schools: Shaping School Climate Through Selection and Enrollment Strategies, February 2011
AASA The School Superintendents Association

Cross References

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