Board Policy

Instruction BP 6159.2

Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School And Agency Services For Special Education

***Note: Education Code 56195.8 mandates entities providing special education to adopt a policy related to nonpublic, nonsectarian services for which they may contract, pursuant to Education Code 56365, when no appropriate public education program is available to meet an student's special education needs. ***

Note: The following policy and regulation should be revised to comply with the policies and regulations of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) in which the district operates.

The Governing Board may contract with state-certified nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies to provide special education services or facilities when an appropriate public education program is not available.

(cf. 0430 - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Students with Disabilities)

(cf. 4112.23 - Special Education Staff)

(cf. 6146.4 - Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6159.1 - Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education)

(cf. 6164.4 - Identification of Individuals for Special Education)

When entering into agreements with nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies, the Board shall consider the needs of the individual student and the recommendations of the individualized education program (IEP) team. The IEP team shall remain accountable for monitoring the progress of students placed in nonpublic, nonsectarian programs towards the goals identified in each student's IEP.

Legal References:

EDUCATION CODE

56034-56035 Definitions of nonpublic, nonsectarian school and agency

56042 Placement not to be recommended by attorney with conflict of interest

56101 Waivers

56163 Certification

56168 Responsibility for education of student in hospital or health facility school

56195.8 Adoption of policies

56360-56369 Implementation of special education

56711 Computation of state aid

56740-56743 Apportionments and reports

56760 Annual budget plan; service proportions

56775.5 Reimbursement of assessment and identification costs

GOVERNMENT CODE

7570-7588 Interagency responsibilities for providing services to children with disabilities, especially:

7572.55 Seriously emotionally disturbed child; out-of-state placement

FAMILY CODE

7911-7912 Interstate compact on placement of children

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

362.2 Out-of-home placement for IEP

727.1 Out-of-state placement of wards of court

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3001 Definitions

3061-3069 Nonpublic, nonsectarian school and agency services

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1487 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

300.400-300.487 Children with disabilities in private schools

COURT DECISIONS

Agostini v. Felton, (1997) 521 U.S. 203, 117 S.Ct. 1997

Management Resources:

CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

0317.99 Nonpublic School/Agency Waivers and Reimbursement to Parents

FEDERAL REGISTER

34 CFR 300.a Appendix A to Part 300 - Questions and Answers

34 CFR 300.a1 Attachment 1: Analysis of Comments and Changes

WEB SITES

CDE: http://www.cde.ca.gov

US Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services:

http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS

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