

Business and Non-Instructional Operations

Transportation for Special Education Students

The Board of Education shall provide appropriate transportation services for students with disabilities. (E.C. 56221) The Superintendent or designee shall make home-to-school transportation available for these students at no cost to parents/guardians in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (cf. 0430 - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education) (cf. 1312.2 - Uniform Complaint Procedures) (cf. 4112.23 -Special Education Staff) (cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Individuals with Exceptional Needs)) (cf. 6146.4 - Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Individuals with Exceptional Needs) (cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program (IEP)) (cf. 6159.1 - Procedural Safeguards and Complaints) (cf. 6159.2 - Nonpublic Nonsectarian School and agency Services for Special Education) (cf. 6159.3 - Appointment of Surrogate Parent) (cf. 6164.4 - Identification of Individuals with Exceptional Needs)

The Superintendent or designee shall arrange transportation schedules so that students with disabilities or handicaps do not spend an excessive amount of time on buses compared to other students. Arrivals and departures should not reduce the length of the school day for students with disabilities except as may be prescribed on an individual basis in a student's Individual Educational Program (IEP).

The Superintendent or designee shall establish Administrative Regulations setting forth criteria for determining the most appropriate mode of transportation for an individual student. Such criteria shall include the coordination of regular transportation and special transportation, the student's safety and health needs, and the extent to which transportation arrangements may help the student develop independent mobility skills.

When a student receiving special education or Section 504 services is excluded from school bus transportation, the Superintendent or designee shall provide alternative transportation at no cost to the student or parent/guardian. (cf. 3540 - Transportation) (cf. 3541.5 - Alternative Transportation Arrangements)

(Legal Reference next page)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

39807.5 Payment of transportation cost

41850-41854 Allowances for transportation

56221 Adoption of policies

56221 Adoption of policies

56366 Nonpublic nonsectarian schools or agencies

56366.1 Waiver of requirements under section 56365 and 56366

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15050 Transfer of funds to child development fund and development center for handicapped pupils
fund

15243 Physically handicapped minors

15271 Exclusion from report

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400 et seq. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

104.4 Equal opportunity under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

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