Students

ADMISSION

The Governing Board encourages the enrollment and appropriate placement of all school-aged children in school. The Superintendent or designee shall inform parents/guardians of children entering a district school at any grade level about admission requirements and shall assist them with enrollment procedures.

Before enrolling any child in a district school, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the child's age, residency, immunization, and other applicable eligibility criteria specified in law, the accompanying administrative regulation, or other applicable Board policy or administrative regulations.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)
(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)
(cf. 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the enrollment of a homeless or foster child or a child of a military family is not delayed because of outstanding fees or fines owed to the child's last school or for his/her inability to produce previous academic, medical, or other records normally required for enrollment.

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)

In addition, no child shall be denied enrollment in a district school solely on the basis of his/her arrest, adjudication by a juvenile court, formal or informal supervision by a probation officer, detention in a juvenile facility, enrollment in a juvenile court school, or other contact with the juvenile justice system. (Education Code 48645.5)

(cf. 5119 - Students Expelled from Other Districts) (cf. 6173.3 - Education for Juvenile Court School Students)

The Superintendent or designee shall not inquire into or request documentation of a student's citizenship or immigration status, and shall not deny a student enrollment in a district school on the basis of the citizenship or immigration status of the student or his/her parents/guardians. Any information obtained about a student's or parent/guardian's citizenship or immigration status shall not be shared without parent/guardian consent or a lawful judicial order, in accordance with laws pertaining to the confidentiality of student records.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

ADMISSION

A student shall not be denied enrollment based on the parent/guardian's refusal to provide the student's or parent/guardian's social security number. During the enrollment process, students and parents/guardians shall be informed that disclosure of their social security number is voluntary. (5 USC 552a Note)

When enrolling in any district school, including a school in their attendance area, children whose parents/guardians reside within district boundaries shall be subject to the timelines established by the Board for open enrollment. Children whose parents/guardians do not reside within the district or who are not otherwise eligible for enrollment in the district may apply for interdistrict attendance in accordance with the timelines specified in applicable Board policies and administrative regulations.

(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment) (cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance) (cf. 5118 - Open Enrollment Act Transfers)

The district's enrollment application shall include information about the health care options and enrollment assistance available to families within the district. The district shall not discriminate against any child for not having health care coverage and shall not use any information relating to a child's health care coverage or his/her interest in learning about health care coverage in any manner that would harm the child or his/her family. (Education Code 49452.9)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 46300 Computation of average daily attendance, inclusion of kindergarten and transitional kindergarten 46600 Agreements for admission of students desiring interdistrict attendance 48000 Minimum age of admission (kindergarten) 48002 Evidence of minimum age required to enter kindergarten or first grade 48010 Minimum age of admission (first grade) 48011 Admission from kindergarten or other school; minimum age 48050-48053 Nonresidents 48200 Children between ages of 6 and 18 years (compulsory full-time education) 48350-48361 Open Enrollment Act 48850-48859 Educational placement of foster youth 48645.5 Enrollment of former juvenile court school students 49076 Access to records by persons without written consent or under judicial order 49408 Information of use in emergencies 49452.9 Health care coverage options and enrollment assistance 49700-49704 Education of children of military families HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 120325-120380 Education and child care facility immunization requirements 121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for students CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 200 Promotion from kindergarten to first grade 201 Admission to high school

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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17 6000-6075 School attendance immunization requirements UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 5 552a Note Refusal to disclose social security number UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42 11431-11435 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act COURT DECISIONS Plyler v. Doe, 457 U.S. 202 (1982)

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS Legal Guidance on Providing All Children Equal Access to Education, Regardless of Immigration Status, February 2017 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS JOINT PUBLICATIONS Fact Sheet: Information on the Rights of All Children to Enroll in School Dear Colleague Letter: School Enrollment Procedures, May 8, 2014 WEB SITES CSBA: http://www.csba.org California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education: http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr U.S. Department of Justice: http://www.justice.gov

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