

**Policy 6159: Individualized Education Program**

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The Governing Board desires to provide full educational opportunities to all students with disabilities. Students with disabilities who require special education and related services to meet their unique needs shall receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE) and, to the maximum extent possible, shall be educated in the least restrictive environment with nondisabled students.

For each student with disabilities, an individualized education program (IEP) shall be developed which identifies the special education instruction and related services to be provided to the student. The membership of the IEP team, the team's responsibility to develop and regularly review the IEP, the contents of the IEP, and the development, review, and revision processes shall be in accordance with the accompanying administrative regulation.

The district shall make FAPE available to individuals with disabilities ages 3-21 who reside in the district, including: (Education Code 56040, 56440; 20 USC 1412; 34 CFR 300.17, 300.101, 300.104)

1. Students who have been suspended or expelled from school
2. Students who are placed by the district in a nonpublic, nonsectarian school
3. Individuals 18-21 years of age who are incarcerated in an adult correctional facility and were identified as being an individual with disabilities or had an IEP in their prior educational placement

**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 Governing Board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

| <b>State</b>             | <b>Description</b>                                                              |
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| 5 CCR 3021-3029          | <a href="#">Identification, referral and assessment</a>                         |
| 5 CCR 3040-3043          | <a href="#">Instructional planning and the individualized education program</a> |
| 5 CCR 3051-3053          | <a href="#">Implementation of the individualized education program</a>          |
| 5 CCR 853-853.5          | <a href="#">State assessments; accommodations</a>                               |
| Bus. and Prof. Code 3765 | <a href="#">Offenses and enforcement</a>                                        |
| Ed. Code 46392           | <a href="#">Emergencies</a>                                                     |
| Ed. Code 48204.3         | <a href="#">Residency requirements</a>                                          |
| Ed. Code 48853.5         | <a href="#">Students in foster care</a>                                         |
| Ed. Code 49423.5         | <a href="#">Performance of physical health care services</a>                    |
| Ed. Code 51225.3         | <a href="#">High school graduation requirements</a>                             |
| Ed. Code 56031           | Special education; definition                                                   |
| Ed. Code 56040.3         | <a href="#">Availability of assistive technology device</a>                     |
| Ed. Code 56040.6         | Deaf and hard of hearing supports                                               |
| Ed. Code 56043           | Transition plans                                                                |
| Ed. Code 56049.1         | Data related to least restrictive environment                                   |
| Ed. Code 56055           | <a href="#">Rights of foster parents pertaining to foster youth's education</a> |
| Ed. Code 56136           | <a href="#">Guidelines for low incidence disabilities areas</a>                 |
| Ed. Code 56195.8         | <a href="#">Adoption of policies</a>                                            |
| Ed. Code 56301           | Student copy of parental rights and safeguards                                  |
| Ed. Code 56302.1         | Identification and referral                                                     |
| Ed. Code 56321           | <a href="#">Notice of parental rights; consent of parents</a>                   |

**State**

Ed. Code 56321.5

Ed. Code 56325

Ed. Code 56340.1-56347

Ed. Code 56348

Ed. Code 56350-56354

Ed. Code 56364.2

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Ed. Code 56380

Ed. Code 56390-56392

Ed. Code 56440

Ed. Code 56471

Ed. Code 56500-56509

Ed. Code 60640-60648.5

Ed. Code 60900.1

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Fam. Code 6500-6502

Gov. Code 7572.5

W&I Code 300

W&I Code 601

W&I Code 602

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Transfers by students with disabilities

[Instructional planning and individualized education program](#)

IEP template translations

[IEP for visually impaired students](#)

Special day classes

Special classes staffing ratios

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[Recognition for educational achievement; special education](#)

Special education programs for students ages 3 to 5

Workability programs

[Procedural safeguards](#)

[California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress](#)

English language and special education reporting

Graduation rates for students with disabilities

[Age of majority](#)

Seriously emotionally disturbed child; expanded IEP team

[Minors subject to jurisdiction](#)

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[Minors violating law; ward of court](#)

**Federal**

20 USC 1232g

20 USC 1400-1482

34 CFR 300.1-300.818

**Description**

[Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act \(FERPA\) of 1974](#)

[Individuals with Disabilities Education Act](#)

[Individuals with Disabilities Education Act](#)

**Management Resources**

Attorney General Opinion

California Department of Education Publication

California Department of Education Publication

Court Decision

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Department of War Education Activity Publication

**Description**

[85 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 157 \(2002\)](#)

[California Practitioners' Guide for Educating English Learners with Disabilities, July 2019](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions: Promotion, Retention, and Grading \(Students with Disabilities\)](#)

[Marshall v. Monrovia Unified School District \(9th Cir. 2010\) 327 F.3d 773](#)

[Capistrano Unified School District v. S.W. and C.W. \(9th Cir. 2021\) 21 F.4th 1125](#)

[Endrew F. v. Douglas County School District Re-1, \(2017\) 137 S. Ct. 988](#)

[Sacramento City School District v. Rachel H. \(9th Cir. 1994\) 14 F.3d 1398](#)

[Schaffer v. Weast \(2005\) 125 S. Ct. 528](#)

[Shapiro v. Paradise Valley Unified School District, No. 69 \(9th Cir., 2003\) 317 F.3d 1072](#)

[Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children](#)

**Management Resources**

U.S. Department of Education Publication

USDOE Ofc of Special Edu, Rehab Svcs & EdTech Pub

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[Supporting Students with Disabilities and Avoiding the Discriminatory Use of Student Discipline under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, July 2022](#)

[Dear Colleague Letter on the Provision of Assistive Technology Devices and Services for Children with Disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, January 22, 2024](#)

[U.S. Department of Education, Office of Educational Technology](#)

[CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services](#)

[U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services](#)

[California Department of Education](#)

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[Comprehensive Local Plan For Special Education](#)

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| 5145.6-E PDF(1)  | <a href="#">Parent/Guardian Notifications</a>                                                   |
| 5145.6-E PDF(2)  | <a href="#">Parent/Guardian Notifications</a>                                                   |
| 5145.71          | <a href="#">Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures</a>                                 |
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| 5148             | <a href="#">Child Care And Development</a>                                                      |
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| 6000             | <a href="#">Concepts And Roles</a>                                                              |
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| 6141             | <a href="#">Curriculum Development And Evaluation</a>                                           |
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