

Policy 6184: Continuation Education

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The Governing Board shall provide a continuation education program as an option for at-risk 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. (5 CCR 11000, 11003)

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. (Education Code 48434; 5 CCR 11004)

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. (Education Code 48400, 48413)

A student may be involuntarily transferred into a continuation education program in accordance with law and administrative regulation. (Education Code 48432.5)

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. (Education Code 48432, 48432.3, 48432.5)

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. (Education Code 48432.3)

Students may be enrolled in a regional occupational center or program within the county in lieu of, or

in combination with, continuation education. (Education Code 48432)

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.

State	Description
5 CCR 11000-11010	Continuation education
Ed. Code 46170	<u>Continuation schools; minimum day</u>
Ed. Code 48400	<u>Weekly minimum attendance requirement</u>
Ed. Code 48400-48454	<u>Compulsory continuation education</u>
Ed. Code 48402	<u>Enrollment in continuation education; minors not regularly employed</u>
Ed. Code 48410-48416	<u>Compulsory continuation education; exempt students</u>
Ed. Code 48430-48438	<u>Continuation classes</u>
Ed. Code 48450-48454	<u>Violations</u>
Ed. Code 48900	<u>Grounds for suspension or expulsion</u>
Ed. Code 48900.5	<u>Suspension, limitation on imposition; exception</u>
Ed. Code 48903	<u>Limitations on days of suspension</u>
Ed. Code 51220-51230	<u>Courses of study; graduation requirements</u>
Fam. Code 7000-7002	<u>Emancipation of minors law</u>
Fam. Code 7050	<u>Purposes for which emancipated minor considered an adult</u>
Management Resources	Description
Court Decision	Nathan G. v. Clovis Unified School District (2014) 224 Cal.App.5th 1393

John W. Gardner Center Publication	Raising the Bar, Building Capacity: Driving Improvement in California's Continuation High Schools, May 2012
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services
Website	California Continuation Education Association
Website	John W. Gardner Center for Youth and Their Communities, Stanford School of Education
Website	California Department of Education

Cross References

Code	Description
0410	Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities
0420.4	Charter School Authorization
0420.4	Charter School Authorization
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0460	Local Control And Accountability Plan
0460	Local Control And Accountability Plan
0500	Accountability
1240	Volunteer Assistance
1240	Volunteer Assistance
1400	Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies And The Schools
3515	Campus Security
3515	Campus Security
3515.3	District Police/Security Department
3515.3	District Police/Security Department
4131	Staff Development
5030	Student Wellness
5112.1	Exemptions From Attendance
5112.1	Exemptions From Attendance
5112.3	Student Leave Of Absence

5112.3	<u>Student Leave Of Absence</u>
5113	<u>Absences And Excuses</u>
5113	<u>Absences And Excuses</u>
5113.1	<u>Chronic Absence And Truancy</u>
5113.1	<u>Chronic Absence And Truancy</u>
5113.11	<u>Attendance Supervision</u>
5113.2	<u>Work Permits</u>
5113.2	<u>Work Permits</u>
5116.2	<u>Involuntary Student Transfers</u>
5121	<u>Grades/Evaluation Of Student Achievement</u>
5121	<u>Grades/Evaluation Of Student Achievement</u>
5126	<u>Awards For Achievement</u>
5126	<u>Awards For Achievement</u>
5131	<u>Conduct</u>
5131.2	<u>Bullying</u>
5131.2	<u>Bullying</u>
5131.4	<u>Student Disturbances</u>
5131.4	<u>Student Disturbances</u>
5131.6	<u>Alcohol And Other Drugs</u>
5131.6	<u>Alcohol And Other Drugs</u>
5131.7	<u>Weapons And Dangerous Instruments</u>
5131.7	<u>Weapons And Dangerous Instruments</u>
5136	<u>Gangs</u>
5136	<u>Gangs</u>
5137	<u>Positive School Climate</u>
5138	<u>Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation</u>
5141.6	<u>School Health Services</u>
5141.6	<u>School Health Services</u>
5144	<u>Discipline</u>
5144	<u>Discipline</u>

5144.1	<u>Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process</u>
5144.1	<u>Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process</u>
5144.2	<u>Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process (Students With Disabilities)</u>
5145.6	<u>Parent/Guardian Notifications</u>
5145.6-E(1)	<u>Parent/Guardian Notifications</u>
5146	<u>Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students</u>
5147	<u>Dropout Prevention</u>
5148	<u>Child Care And Development</u>
5148	<u>Child Care And Development</u>
6000	<u>Concepts And Roles</u>
6011	<u>Academic Standards</u>
6020	<u>Parent Involvement</u>
6020	<u>Parent Involvement</u>
6111	<u>School Calendar</u>
6112	<u>School Day</u>
6112	<u>School Day</u>
6143	<u>Courses Of Study</u>
6143	<u>Courses Of Study</u>
6146.1	<u>High School Graduation Requirements</u>
6146.11	<u>Alternative Credits Toward Graduation</u>
6146.11	<u>Alternative Credits Toward Graduation</u>
6146.2	<u>Certificate Of Proficiency/High School Equivalency</u>
6146.2	<u>Certificate Of Proficiency/High School Equivalency</u>
6146.2-E(1)	<u>Certificate Of Proficiency/High School Equivalency</u>
6152	<u>Class Assignment</u>
6158	<u>Independent Study</u>
6158	<u>Independent Study</u>
6159	<u>Individualized Education Program</u>
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6162.5	<u>Student Assessment</u>
6162.51	<u>State Academic Achievement Tests</u>
6162.51	<u>State Academic Achievement Tests</u>
6164.2	<u>Guidance/Counseling Services</u>
6164.5	<u>Student Success Teams</u>
6164.5	<u>Student Success Teams</u>
6172	<u>Gifted And Talented Student Program</u>
6172	<u>Gifted And Talented Student Program</u>
6173.1	<u>Education For Foster Youth</u>
6173.1	<u>Education For Foster Youth</u>
6173.4	<u>Education For American Indian Students</u>
6176	<u>Weekend/Saturday Classes</u>
6178	<u>Career Technical Education</u>
6178	<u>Career Technical Education</u>
6178.1	<u>Work-Based Learning</u>
6178.1	<u>Work-Based Learning</u>
6178.2	<u>Regional Occupational Center/Program</u>
6179	<u>Supplemental Instruction</u>
6181	<u>Alternative Schools/Programs Of Choice</u>
6181	<u>Alternative Schools/Programs Of Choice</u>
6183	<u>Home And Hospital Instruction</u>
6185	<u>Community Day School</u>
6185	<u>Community Day School</u>
6190	<u>Evaluation Of The Instructional Program</u>
6200	<u>Adult Education</u>
6200	<u>Adult Education</u>