

**COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL**

The Board of Education recognizes the need to provide an appropriate alternative educational program for students who are prohibited from attending regular schools in the district due to expulsion and for certain students referred by probation or district processes. The district shall operate one or more community day schools designed to meet the needs of these students. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that any such school is operated in accordance with legal requirements related to enrollment, instructional time and facilities.

The Board perceives the community day school as a flexible component of a comprehensive effort to meet the needs of students who have been expelled.

In order to foster positive attitudes and academic progress, the Board recognizes that community day schools must give students substantial individual help with their problems. Community day school staff shall collaborate with district counselors, psychologists, and other support staff and with the county office of education, law enforcement, probation, and human services agency staff who work with at-risk youth. To the extent possible, community day school programs shall provide a low student-teacher ratio as well as individualized instruction and assessment.

*(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)*

*(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)*

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the involuntary transfer of students to a community day school in accordance with law and administrative regulation.

*(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)*

*(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)*

The Superintendent or designee may require community day school students to attend school for up to seven days each week in a directed program designed to provide students with the skills and attitudes necessary for success when they are returned to a regular school environment. (Education Code 48666)

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

1980-1986 County community schools

17085-17096 Emergency portable facilities

17280-17316 Field Act, approvals

17365-17374 Field Act, fitness of occupancy

48660-48666 Community day schools

48900-48926 Suspension or expulsion

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

300 Minors subject to jurisdiction

602 Minors violating laws defining crime; ward of court

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

**COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL** (continued)

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29  
*794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504*

*Management Resources:*

CDE PROGRAM ADVISORIES

*0306.96 Expulsion Policies and Expulsion Placements, SPB: 95/96-04*

WEB SITES

*CDE, Educational Options Office: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/essdiv/edoptshome.html>*

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