

CSBA Sample

Board Policy

Education Of Children Of Military Families

BP 6173.2

Instruction

Note: The following optional policy may be revised to reflect district practice.

The Governing Board recognizes that children of military families face challenges to their academic success caused by the frequent moves or deployments of their parents/guardians in fulfillment of military service. The district shall provide such students with academic resources, services, and opportunities for extracurricular and enrichment activities that are available to all district students.

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

Note: Pursuant to Education Code 49700-49704, the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children is applicable to California school districts. Education Code 49700-49701 establish uniform means of assisting children of military families, as defined in the accompanying administrative regulation, by reducing or eliminating the barriers to their educational success caused by the frequent moves and deployments of their parents/guardians. Among other things, Education Code 49701 requires that districts be flexible in applying certain local rules to such students in order to facilitate their enrollment, placement, advancement, eligibility for extracurricular activities, and on-time graduation.

The Superintendent or designee may waive district policies or rules when necessary to facilitate the enrollment, placement, advancement, eligibility for extracurricular activities, or on-time graduation of children of military families, in accordance with the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children as ratified in Education Code 49700-49704.

(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity of Academic Credit)

Note: The following optional paragraph reflects a recommendation in the California Department of Education's (CDE) Final Report to the Legislature on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide information and/or training to administrators, other

appropriate district staff, and military families regarding the provisions of the Interstate Compact and the educational rights of children of military families.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)

Note: The following optional paragraph may be revised to reflect district practice. Each branch of the military appoints school liaison officers or comparable positions to serve as the primary point of contact for school-related matters. Their duties include coordinating with local school systems and assisting military families with school issues.

The Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with parents/guardians, school liaison officers from military installations, and/or other agencies within and outside the state to facilitate the transition of children of military families into and out of the district.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

Note: The following paragraph may be revised to reflect district practice. Pursuant to 20 USC 6311, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (P.L. 114-95), states and districts are required to issue an annual report card which must include state achievement results for students who have parents/guardians who are members of the Armed Forces on active duty or full-time National Guard duty. The CDE has updated the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System to indicate such students. These students will be assigned a national identification number that will facilitate monitoring of their academic progress as they move across military bases and from state to state.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board and the public on the educational outcomes of children of military families. Such reports may include, but are not limited to, school attendance, student achievement test results, promotion and retention rates by grade levels, and graduation rates.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)

(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements; matters subject to regulation

35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia

35181 Students' responsibilities

35351 Assignment of students to particular schools
46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance agreements
48050-48054 Nonresidents
48200-48208 Persons included (compulsory education law)
48300-48316 Student attendance alternatives, school district of choice program
49700-49704 Education of children of military families
51225.3 Requirements for graduation
51240-51246 Exemptions from requirements
51250-51251 School-age military dependents
66204 Certification of high school courses as meeting university admissions criteria
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 10
101 Definitions
1209 Transfer to inactive status list instead of separation
1211 Members on temporary disability retired list: return to active duty; promotion
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
6311 State plan
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29
794 Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA CHILD WELFARE COUNCIL

Partial Credit Model Policy and Practice Recommendations

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Final Report to the Legislature on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for
Military Children, April 2014

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Child Welfare Council: <http://www.chhs.ca.gov/Pages/CACChildWelfareCouncil.aspx>

California Department of Education, Educational Options Office:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/mc>

Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission: <http://www.mic3.net>