

Students – Attendance

Interdistrict Attendance

The Board of Education recognizes that parents/guardians of students who reside within the geographic boundaries of one district may, for a variety of reasons, desire to enroll their children in a school in another district.

The Board may enter into an agreement with any other school district, for a term not to exceed five school years, for the interdistrict attendance of students who are residents of the districts. (Education Code 46600)

The agreement shall specify the terms and conditions under which interdistrict attendance shall be permitted or denied. It also may contain standards agreed to by both districts for reapplication and/or revocation of the student's permit. (Education Code 46600)

Upon receiving a permit for transfer into the district that has been approved by the student's district of residence, or upon receiving a written request from the parent/guardian of a district student who wishes to enroll in another district, the Superintendent or designee shall review the request and may approve or deny the permit subject to the terms and conditions of the interdistrict attendance agreement.

Transportation

Upon parent/guardian request, the district shall provide transportation assistance to a student receiving an interdistrict transfer who is eligible for free and reduced-price meals and is the child of an active duty military parent/guardian or a victim of bullying, as defined in Education Code 46600. (Education Code 46600).

Upon request of a student's parent/guardian, the Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation for students who have transportation noted in their Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

Legal Reference: Education Code, Sections 8151; 41020; 46600-46610; 48204; 48300-48317; 48900; 48915; 48915.1; 48918; 48980; 48985; 52317  
California Constitution, Article 1, Section 31  
Court Decisions:  
Walnut Valley Unified School District v. the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, (2011) 192 Cal.App.4th 234  
Crawford v. Huntington Beach Union High School District, (2002) 98 Cal.App.4th 1275

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Attorney General Opinions: 87 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 132 (2004); 84  
Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 198 (2001)

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