#### **STUDENTS**

### **SUBJECT: Parental Notifications**

The County Office of Education (County Office) recognizes that notifications are essential to effective communication between the school and the home. The County Superintendent of Schools or designee (County Superintendent) shall send students and parents/guardians all notifications required by law, including notifications about their legal rights, educational programs, school operations, and any other notifications he/she believes will promote parental understanding and involvement.

(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)

(cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

The County Superintendent shall ensure that notice of the rights and responsibilities of parents/guardians as specified in Education Code 48980 shall be sent at the beginning of each academic year and may be provided by regular mail, in electronic form when so requested by the parent/guardian, or by any other method normally used by the County Office for written communication with parents/guardians. (Education Code 48981, 48982)

No activity specified in Education Code 48980 shall be undertaken with respect to any particular student unless the student's parent/guardian has been informed of such action through the annual notification or other separate special notification. Such notice shall state the activity that will be undertaken and the approximate date on which the activity will occur. (Education Code 48983-48984)

The annual notification shall include a request that the parent/guardian sign the notice and return it to the school or, if the notice is provided in electronic format, that the parent/guardian submit a signed acknowledgment of receipt of the notice to the school. The parent/guardian's signature is an acknowledgment of receipt of the information but does not indicate that consent to participate in any particular program has been given or withheld. (Education Code 48982)

Whenever a student enrolls in a County Office school during the school year, the student's parents/guardians shall be given all required parental notifications at that time.

Notifications shall be presented in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents/guardians can understand.

Whenever 15 percent or more of the students enrolled in a County Office school speak a single primary language other than English, as determined from the California Department of Education census data collected pursuant to Education Code 52164, all notices sent to the parent/guardian of any such student shall, in addition to being written in English, be written in the primary language, and may be responded to either in English or the primary language. (Education Code 48981, 48985)

Whenever an employee learns that a student's parent/guardian is for any reason unable to

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understand the County Office's printed notifications, the site administrator or designee shall work with the parent/guardian to establish other appropriate means of communication. (cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

#### Legal Reference:

### **EDUCATION CODE**

- 221.5 Prohibited sex discrimination
- 231.5 Sexual harassment policy
- 262.3 Appeals; information re: availability of civil remedies
- 310 Structured English Immersion Program
- 17288 Pupils: school buildings
- 17612 Notification of pesticide use
- 32255-32255.6 Right to refuse harmful or destructive use of animals
- 32390 Fingerprint program; contracts; funding; consent of parent/guardian
- 35178.4 Notice of accreditation status
- 35183 School dress codes; uniforms
- 35186 Complaints concerning deficiencies in instructional materials and facilities
- 35256 School accountability report card
- 35291 Rules
- 37616 Consultation
- 39831.5 School bus rider rules and information
- 44808.5 Permission to leave school grounds
- 46010.1 Notice re: excuse to obtain confidential medical services
- 46014 Regulations regarding absences for religious purposes
- 46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance agreements especially:
- 46601 Failure to approve interdistrict attendance
- 48000 Minimum age of admission
- 48070.5 Promotion or retention of students
- 48205 Absence for personal reasons
- 48206.3 Pupils with temporary disabilities; individual instruction; definitions
- 48207 Pupils with temporary disabilities in hospitals outside of school district
- 48208 Students with temporary disabilities in qualifying hospitals
- 48216 Immunization
- 48260.5 Notice to parent re truancy
- 48263 Referral to SARB or probation department
- 48432.5 Involuntary transfers of pupils
- 48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful pupil misconduct
- 48904.3 Withholding grades, diplomas, or transcripts
- 48906 Notification of release of pupil to peace officer
- 48911 Notification in case of suspension
- 48912 Closed sessions; consideration of suspension
- 48915.1 Expelled individuals: enrollment in another district
- 48916 Readmission procedures
- 48918 Rules governing expulsion procedures
- 48980 Required notification at beginning of term
- 48980.3 Notification of pesticide use

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- 48981 Time and means of notification
- 48982 Signature; return to school; effect of signature
- 48983 Contents of notice
- 48984 Activities prohibited unless notice given
- 48985 Notices to parents in language other than English
- 48987 Child abuse information
- 49063 Notification of parents of their rights
- 49067 Regulations regarding pupil's achievement
- 49068 Transfer of permanent enrollment and scholarship record
- 49069 Absolute right to access
- 49070 Challenging content of records
- 49073 Release of directory information
- 49076 Access to student records
- 49077 Access to information concerning a student in compliance with court order
- 49091.14 Prospectus
- 49302 Parental consent
- 49332 Notifications of retention of object by school personnel; release
- 49403 Cooperation in control of communicable disease and immunization
- 49423 Administration of prescribed medication for pupil
- 49451 Physical examinations: parent's refusal to consent
- 49452.5 Screening for scoliosis
- 49456 Report to parent
- 49472 Medical and hospital services for pupils
- 49480 Continuing medication regimen for nonepisodic conditions
- 49510-49520 Duffy-Moscone Family Nutrition Education and Services Act of 1970
- 51513 Personal beliefs
- 51938 Right of parent/guardian notice HIV/AIDS and sexual health instruction
- 52164.1 Census-taking methods; determination of primary language; assessment of language
- skills 52164.3 Notice of reassessment of language skills
- 52173 Consultation with parents or guardians; notice to parents or guardians; withdrawal of pupil
- 52244 Advanced Placement Program
- 54444.2 Migrant education programs; parent involvement
- 56301 Child-find system; policies re: written notification rights
- 56321 Special education: proposed assessment plan
- 56329 Written notice of right to findings; independent assessment
- 56341 Individualized education program team
- 56341.5 Individualized education program team meetings
- 56343.5 IEP meetings
- 56346 Parental notice and consent to special education program
- 58501 Alternative schools: notice required prior to establishment
- 60641 Standardized Testing and Reporting Program
- HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
- 1596.857 Right to enter child care facility
- 120365 Immunizations
- 120370 Immunizations
- 120375 Immunizations

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120440 Sharing immunization information

124085 Certificate of receipt; health screening and evaluation services; waiver by parent/guardian

124100 School districts and private schools; information to parents

PENAL CODE

627.5 Hearing request following denial or revocation of registration

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

18976.5 Parental notice; right of refusal to participate

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

863 Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

3052 Behavioral intervention

3831 General standards (Gifted and Talented Program)

4622 Notice requirements and recipients

4631 Responsibilities of the local agency

11303 Reclassification of English language learners

11309 Parental exception waivers

11523 Notice of proficiency examinations

18066 Policies and procedures absences for child care

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational and Privacy Rights Act

1415 Procedural safeguards

1681-1688 Title IX, discrimination based on sex or blindness

6311 State plans

6312 Local education agency plans

6316 Academic assessment and local education agency school improvement

6318 Parental involvement

7908 Armed forces recruiter access to students

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000d -2000d-7, Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.7 Student records, annual notification

99.34 Student records, disclosure to other educational agencies

104.36 Procedural safeguards

106.9 Dissemination of policy, nondiscrimination on basis of sex

300.345 Parent participation

300.502 Independent educational evaluation

300.503 Prior written notice

300.505 Parental consent

300.507 Parent notice due process hearing

300.523 Manifestation determination review

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 40

763.93 Management plans