INSTRUCTION

SUBJECT: Regional Occupational Program

The County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools desire to provide opportunities for students to receive specialized training and career technical skills through a regional occupational program (ROP) that prepares them for employment, advanced training, or postsecondary education.

(cf. 6178.1 - Work Experience Education)

The County Office of Education shall refer eligible students to an ROP that has been established by the County Superintendent of Schools and is under the governance of the County Board of Education. (Education Code 52301, 52310.5)

Student Eligibility and Participation

To enroll in the ROP on a part-time or full-time basis, a high school or adult student must have his/her admittance approved by the ROP based on a determination that he/she will benefit from the program. To be eligible, a student must be at least 16 years of age, unless he/she meets one of the conditions specified in Education Code 52314. (Education Code 52314, 52314.5, 52315)

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)

Adult students may have access to ROP classes offered on high school campuses during the school day.

A student who is attending an ROP may be exempted from the County Office of Education's full-time compulsory continuation education program and/or physical education in accordance with law, County Office of Education policy, and administrative regulation. (Education Code 48410, 52316)

(cf. 5112.1 - Exemptions from Attendance)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)

Credits earned from courses completed in an ROP may be applied toward fulfillment of high school graduation course requirements. (Education Code 51225.3, 52310)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)

Student Services

The County Office of Education may provide or arrange for transportation to the ROP in

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accordance with law, County Office of Education policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 3541.33) - Criteria for Use and Procedures for Obtaining Transportation Services

Program Evaluation

The County Office of Education shall annually review and assess the participation of its students in grades 11-12 in the ROP and shall adopt an annual plan to increase participation of students in this program, unless it is determined that there are no additional County Office of Education students who would benefit from this participation. (Education Code 52304.1)

(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)

(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)

(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1205 Classification of counties

37223 Weekend classes

39807.5 Transportation to ROC/P, parent/guardian payment

41850 Transportation to ROC/P, apportionments

44910 Permanent employment status; preclusion of ROC/P service

46140 Attendance credit

46300 Computation of average daily attendance

48410 Exemption from compulsory continuation education

48430-48433 Continuation education, ROC/P classes

51225.3 Requirements for graduation

52300-52335.6 Regional occupational centers/programs

52378 Supplemental school counseling program, grades 7-12

60850-60859 High school exit examination

60900 California longitudinal student achievement data system

GOVERNMENT CODE

6500-6536 Joint powers agreements

LABOR CODE

3368 Workers' compensation, responsibility in jointly operated ROC/P

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CODE

15037.1 Education and job training, performance accountability

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

10080-10092 Community classrooms

10100-10111 Cooperative vocational education

11500-11508 Regional occupational centers and programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

2301-2414 Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 6319 Highly qualified teachers

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

2008-2012 State Plan for Career Technical Education

Regional Occupational Centers and Programs Operations Handbook March 2008

Model Programs and Practices: Setting Standards for Regional Occupational Centers and Programs (ROCPs), rev. October 2007

Career Technical Education Framework for California Public Schools, Grades Seven Through Twelve, January 2007

California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards, Grades Seven Through Twelve, May 2005

WEB SITES

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

Association for Career and Technical Education: http://www.acteonline.org

California Association of Regional Occupational Centers and Programs: http://www.carocp.org

California Department of Education, ROC/P: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/rp

Commission on Teacher Credentialing: http://www.ctc.ca.gov