Santa Barbara Unified School District
Board Policy

Students

BP 5148

CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Governing Board desires to provide child care and development services which meet the developmental needs of children and offer a convenient child care alternative for parents/guardians in the community.

(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
(cf. 5148.1 - Child Care Services for Parenting Students)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)

The Superintendent or designee shall work cooperatively with the local child care and development planning council, public and private agencies, parents/guardians, and other community members to assess child care needs in the community, establish program priorities, obtain ongoing feedback on program quality, and inform parents/guardians about child care options.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)

The Board shall enter into a contract with the California Department of Education (CDE) for the provision of child care and development services by the district.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

The Board shall approve a written philosophical statement, goals, and objectives for the district's child care and development program that reflect the cultural and linguistic characteristics of the families to be served and address the program components specified in 5 CCR 18272-18281 and administrative regulation. (5 CCR 18271)

(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

As needed, the Superintendent or designee may identify district facilities that have capacity to provide child care and development services and/or may recommend that the Board enter into an agreement with a public agency or community organization to use community facilities for the purpose of providing such services.

(cf. 1330.1 - Joint Use Agreements)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
Admissions policies and procedures shall be in writing and available to the public. Such policies and procedures shall include criteria designating those children whose needs can be met by the child care center's program and services, the ages of children who will be accepted, program activities, any supplementary services provided, any field trip provisions, any transportation arrangements, food service provisions, and a medical assessment requirement. (5 CCR 18105; 22 CCR 101218)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that subsidized child care is provided to eligible families to the extent that state and/or federal funding is available and shall establish enrollment priorities in accordance with Education Code 8263 and 5 CCR 18106.

When all families eligible for subsidized services have been served, priority for admissions shall be given to district students and children of district employees.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that individuals working in child care and development programs have the necessary qualifications and have satisfied all legal requirements.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 4112.2 - Certification)
(cf. 4112.4 - Health Examinations)
(cf. 4112.5 - Criminal Record Check)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
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(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually conduct an evaluation of the district's child care and development services in accordance with state requirements. The evaluation report shall be submitted to the Board and the CDE along with an action plan which establishes program goals and objectives for the coming year and addresses any areas identified as needing improvement. (5 CCR 18279-18281)

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
8200-8499.10 Child Care and Development Services Act, especially:
8200-8209 General provisions for child care and development services
8210-8216 Resource and referral program
8220-8226 Alternative payment program
8230-8233 Migrant child care and development program
8235-8239 California state preschool program
8240-8244 General child care programs
8250-8252 Programs for children with special needs
8263 Eligibility and priorities for subsidized child development services
8278.3 Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund
8360-8370 Personnel qualifications
8400-8409 Contracts
Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS
Keeping Children Healthy in California's Child Care Environments: Recommendations to Improve Nutrition and Increase Physical Activity, 2010
Infant/Toddler Learning and Development Program Guidelines, 2006
Program Quality Standards and Standards Based on Exemplary Practice for Center-Based Programs and Family Child Care Home Networks, October 2004
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT BULLETINS
01-06 The Desired Results for Children and Families System, May 31, 2001

WEB SITES
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
California Association for the Education of Young Children: http://www.caeyc.org
California Child Development Administrators Association: http://www.ccdaaa.org
California Department of Education, Child Development: http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd