

MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Governing Board desires to provide a comprehensive program for migrant students that attempt to mitigate the impact of educational disruption, cultural and language barriers, social isolation, health-related problems, and other factors that may inhibit the ability of migrant students to succeed in school. The district shall make use of available funds to provide supplementary services for migrant students.

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

The Superintendent or designee shall convene a parent advisory council to actively involve parents/guardians in planning, operating, and evaluating the district's migrant education program. (Education Code 54444.2)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

The Superintendent or designee shall cooperate with the regional migrant service center in outreach and identification of eligible migrant students and in the provision of migrant education services. He/she shall also coordinate migrant education services with other programs within the district and with other public agencies that serve migrant workers and their families.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

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

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)

(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

The Superintendent or designee shall plan for late enrollments of migrant students. He/she shall ensure that each migrant student is placed at the appropriate grade level and is provided services in accordance with his/her individual needs assessment and learning plan.

The Board shall monitor the results of statewide assessments of core academic subjects and English language development, as appropriate, for students enrolled in the district's migrant education services. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall periodically report to the Board regarding the alignment of district services with the needs of students as identified in student needs assessments conducted pursuant to Education Code 54443.1. As necessary, the Board shall seek technical assistance from the migrant education regional service center and/or make changes in the services provided by the district in order to improve student achievement.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)

(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

54440-54445 Migrant education program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3080 Application of uniform complaint procedures

4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 Title I state plan

6381-6381k Even Start family literacy program

6391-6399 Migrant education program

7881 Services for private school students

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

200.81-200.89 Migrant education program

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Identification and Recruitment Manual: Policies and Procedures for Migrant Education Recruiters in the State of California, 2008

California Migrant Education Program: Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Initial Report of Findings, 2007

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NON-REGULATORY GUIDANCE

Title I, Part C Education of Migratory Children, October 2003

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, Migrant Education Office: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/me>

U.S. Department of Education, Office of Migrant Education:

<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oese/ome>

West Ed, Migrant Student Information Network: <http://www.wested.org/cs/we/view/pj/61>

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VISALIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM**Eligibility**

A student age 3 to 21 years shall be eligible for the district's migrant education program if he/she meets the criteria specified in 20 USC 6399 and 34 CFR 200.81 as verified by a migrant education recruiter.

The district shall give first priority for services to migrant students who are failing, or most at risk of failing, to meet state content standards and challenging state performance standards, and whose education has been interrupted during the regular school year. (20 USC 6394)

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)

A student who ceases to be a migrant student during a school term shall be eligible for services until the end of the term. If comparable services are not available through other programs, a student who is no longer migratory may continue to receive services for one additional school year. Students who were eligible for services in secondary school may continue to be served through credit accrual programs until graduation. (20 USC 6394)

The district shall provide services to eligible private school students residing within the district on an equitable basis with participating public school students. (20 USC 7881; 34 CFR 200.87)

Student Records

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records documenting the eligibility of students enrolled in the district's migrant education program.

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

The Superintendent or designee shall acquire education and health records from migrant students' previous school districts, as appropriate.

When a migrant student transfers to another district, his/her records shall be provided to the receiving district upon request at no cost in order to assist that district in meeting the needs of the student. (20 USC 6398)

Program Components

The migrant education program shall provide: (Education Code 54443.1)

1. A general needs assessment summarizing the needs of the population to be served
2. Individual assessment of the educational and relevant health needs of each participating student, within 30 days of enrollment

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3. A comprehensive program to meet the educational, health, and related needs of participating students which supplements the district program and which provides:

- a. Instructional services, including academic, remedial and compensatory, bilingual and multicultural, and vocational instruction

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

(cf. 6177 - Summer School)

(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)

- b. Counseling and career education services

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

- c. Preschool services in accordance with Education Code 54443

(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)

(cf. 5148.3 - Preschool/Early Childhood Education)

- d. Other educational services that are not otherwise available in sufficient quantity or quality to eligible migrant students

- e. Instructional materials and equipment necessary for appropriate services

- f. Other related services needed to enable migrant students to participate effectively in instructional services

- g. The coordination and teaming of existing resources serving migrant students, such as bilingual-crosscultural education, health screening, and compensatory education

(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)

(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

4. A brief individual learning plan listing the services to be provided to each student, which shall be given to the parent/guardian in writing or at a parent/guardian conference, annually and each time the student moves to a new district

5. Staffing and staff development plans and practices to meet the needs of students and implement the program

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

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6. Parent/guardian and community involvement as specified in Education Code 54444.2, including, but not necessarily limited to, the establishment of a parent/guardian advisory council

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

7. Evaluations which include annual student progress and overall program effectiveness and quality control reports

The migrant education program shall provide for the same opportunities for parent involvement that are provided to parents/guardians for federal Title I programs. (20 USC 6394)

Contingent upon funding, the district shall provide home-based and/or school-based family literacy services to migratory families to enhance parents/guardians' literacy levels, parenting skills, and English language skills.

Parent Advisory Council

The parent advisory council shall be comprised of members who are knowledgeable of the needs of migrant students and shall be elected by the parents/guardians of students enrolled in the district's migrant education program. The composition of the council shall be determined by the parents/guardians at a general meeting to which all parents/guardians of participating students shall be invited. The parents/guardians shall be informed, in a language they understand, that they have the sole authority to decide on the composition of the council. (Education Code 54444.2)

At least two-thirds of the advisory council shall consist of parents/guardians of migrant students. (Education Code 54444.2)

All parent/guardian candidates for the council shall be nominated by parents/guardians. Nonparent candidates, such as teachers, administrators, other school personnel, or students, shall be nominated by the groups they represent. All other community candidates shall be nominated by the parents/guardians. (Education Code 54444.2)

The parent/guardian advisory council shall meet at least six times during the year and shall: (Education Code 54444.4)

1. Establish program goals, objectives, and priorities
2. Review annual needs assessments, program activities for each school, and individual learning plans
3. Advise on the selection, development, and reassignment of migrant education program staff

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4. Participate actively in planning and negotiating program applications and service agreements
5. Perform all other responsibilities required under state and federal laws or regulations

The Superintendent or designee shall establish and implement a training program for advisory council members to enable them to carry out their responsibilities. The training program shall be developed in consultation with the council and shall include appropriate training materials in a language understandable to each member. (Education Code 54444.2)

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the council, without charge, a copy of all applicable state and federal migrant education statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines, audits, monitoring reports, and evaluations. Upon request, these materials also shall be provided without charge to each member of the council. (Education Code 54444.2)

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