

**WEEKEND/SATURDAY CLASSES**

The Governing Board desires to increase educational opportunities outside the regular school week in order to meet student needs and promote academic achievement. When staffing, facilities, and other resources are available, the Board may approve the provision of classes on Saturday and/or Sunday that support and are integrated with other learning opportunities.

*(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)*

*(cf. 6111 - School Calendar)*

Weekend classes may include, but are not limited to:

1. Continuation classes (Education Code 37223)

*(cf. 6184 - Continuation Education)*

2. Special day classes for mentally gifted minors (Education Code 37223)

*(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)*

3. Makeup classes for absences occurring during the week (Education Code 37223)

*(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)*

*(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)*

*(cf. 6154 - Homework/Makeup Work)*

4. The programs of a regional occupational center or program (ROC/P) (Education Code 37223)

*(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)*

*(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)*

5. Supplemental instruction for students who need additional assistance to meet academic standards or requirements

*(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)*

*(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)*

*(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)*

6. Enrichment classes in core academic subjects

*(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)*

*(cf. 6142.92 - Mathematics Instruction)*

Except in ROC/Ps and as otherwise provided by law, any class offered on a Saturday or Sunday pursuant to Education Code 37223, shall be one offered during the regular Monday through Friday school week. (Education Code 37223)

**WEEKEND/SATURDAY CLASSES** (continued)

Except in ROC/Ps, weekend attendance shall not result in crediting any student with more than five days of attendance per week. (Education Code 37223)

Attendance at weekend classes offered pursuant to Education Code 37223 shall be voluntary, except that truants, as defined in Education Code 48260, may be required to attend classes on one day of a weekend in order to make up lost instructional time. (Education Code 37223)

A student shall be excused from a weekend class if the student's parent/guardian notifies the school in writing that such attendance would be in conflict with his/her religious beliefs. Such students shall be given priority for enrollment in any other available supplemental instruction offered at a time other than during the weekend.

*(cf. 6141.2 - Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs)*

A teacher shall not be assigned to work on a Saturday or Sunday if he/she objects in writing that the assignment would conflict with his/her religious beliefs or practices. In addition, a full-time teacher employed by the district prior to the implementation of weekend classes shall not be required, without his/her consent, to teach for more than 180 full days during a school year or for more than the number of full days that district schools were maintained during the year preceding implementation of weekend classes, whichever is greater. (Education Code 44824)

*(cf. 4113 - Assignment)*

Unless the requirement is waived by the California Department of Education, the district shall provide at least one nutritionally adequate meal during the weekend session in accordance with Education Code 49550.

*(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)*

*(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced-Price Meals)*

*(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)*

*Legal Reference:*

**WEEKEND/SATURDAY CLASSES** (continued)

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

37223 *Weekend classes*

41601 *Reports of average daily attendance*

44824 *Weekend classes, assignment of certificated employees*

48070-48070.5 *Promotion and retention, supplemental instruction*

48205 *Excused absence for personal reasons*

48260 *Truants, definition*

49550 *Meals for needy students*

52060-52077 *Local control and accountability plan*

*Management Resources:*

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

*Requesting a Summer School Meal Waiver and/or a Saturday School Meal Waiver, Nutrition Services  
Division Management Bulletin NSD-SNP-03-2013, February 2013*

WEB SITES

*California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>*

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