

Santa Barbara Unified School District

Board Policy

BP 5147

Students

DROPOUT PREVENTION

The Governing Board recognizes that regular school attendance is critical to student learning and achievement. The Board desires to provide a learning environment that engages students, helps them become self-motivated, encourages regular attendance, and enables them to meet district standards and to graduate.

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies to identify and serve students at all grade levels who are at risk of dropping out of school. Students may be identified on the basis of indicators such as frequent absenteeism, truancy, or tardiness; below-grade-level achievement; or personal, social, health, or economic concerns that may make a student more likely to drop out of school.

(cf. 5113.1 - Truancy)
(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)
(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)
(cf. 6164.5 - Student Success Teams)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
(cf. 6178.1 - Work Experience Education)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

The school site council at each school shall develop a comprehensive school plan for student retention in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. The plan shall be designed to help reduce student absenteeism and dropout rates and to improve student achievement.

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of governing board
41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant
48400-48403 Compulsory continuation education
48430-48438 Continuation education
48660-48667 Community day schools
51745-51749.3 Independent study
52300-52334 Regional Occupational Centers

52890 *Qualifications and duties of outreach consultants*
54690-54697 *Partnership academies*
64000-64001 *Single plan for student achievement*
REPEALED EDUCATION CODE FOR CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS
52014 *Inclusion of activities in plan*
52015 *Components of plan*
52900-52904 *Alternative education and work centers for school dropouts*
54660-54669 *Elementary and Secondary School Dropout Prevention Act*
54720-54735 *School-based pupil motivation and maintenance program*
58550-58562 *Educational clinics*
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6301-6322 *Title I programs*

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

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

California Dropout Prevention Network: <http://www.edualliance.org/cdpn>

National Dropout Prevention Center: <http://www.dropoutprevention.org>

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