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BP 0460

Local Control and Accountability Plan

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (Proposition 58, 2016) which requires the local control and accountability plan (LCAP) development process to include solicitation of parent/guardian and community input on effective and appropriate instructional methods, including language acquisition programs. Policy also reflects the State Board of Education's (SBE) adoption of evaluation rubrics (the "California School Dashboard") that will assist districts in evaluating progress toward their LCAP goals.

BP/AR 3260

Fees and Charges

(BP/AR revised) Policy reorganized and updated to reflect a California Department of Education (CDE) management advisory regarding the prohibition against requiring parent/guardian volunteer hours or payment as a condition of the student's enrollment or participation in educational activities. Regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2615, 2016) which permits districts to charge a fee for participation in After School Education and Safety (ASES) programs, 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) programs, and 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens (ASSETs) program, as long as the fee is waived or reduced for low-income families and, effective July 1, 2017, the fee is not charged for a homeless or foster youth. Regulation also clarifies the permissibility of charging a fee for in-state field trips in accordance with CDE's interpretation of law, provided that no student is prevented from participating based on a lack of funds.

AR 4112.22

Staff Teaching English Learners

(AR revised) Regulation updated to revise definition of "English learner" pursuant to Proposition 58 (2016). Regulation also deletes material regarding the Certificate of Staff Development issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and provides a general paragraph applicable to multiple types of authorizations to teach English learners. Title of regulation updated to reflect current terminology.

E 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9

Employee Notifications

(E revised) Exhibit updated to add notice seeking volunteers to administer opioid antagonist pursuant to NEW LAW (AB 1748, 2016), delete notice seeking volunteers to administer anti-seizure medication as the requirement self-repealed on January 1, 2017, add notice informing new employees of their right to purchase Public Employment Retirement Service credit for certain active military service, and update legal citations.

AR 4161.1/4361.1

Personal Illness/Injury Leave

(AR revised) Regulation updated to add new section on "Additional Leave for Disabled Military Veterans" reflecting NEW LAW (SB 1180, 2016) which entitles eligible certificated employees to receive an additional 10 days of sick leave with pay during the first year of employment for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment for a military service-connected disability. Regulation reflects NEW LAW (AB 2393, 2016) which clarifies differential pay for parental leave ("baby bonding" leave), including clarifying that such leave will run concurrently with parental leave taken under the California Family Rights Act, but, unlike the CFRA, does not require an employee to have at least 1,250 hours of service with the district in the previous 12-month period. Regulation also clarifies applicability of law requiring a reemployment list for employees who are not medically able to resume duties after a specified period of time.

AR 4261.1

Personal Illness/Injury Leave

(AR revised) Regulation updated to add new section on "Additional Leave for Disabled Military Veterans" reflecting NEW LAW (SB 1180, 2016) which entitles eligible classified employees to receive an additional 12 days of sick leave with pay during the first year of employment for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment for a military service-connected disability. Regulation also updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2393, 2016) which extends to classified employees the same provisions related to differential pay for parental leave that were previously granted only to certificated employees.

BP 5111

Admission

(BP revised) Policy updated and released on GAMUT in February, in conjunction with new CSBA Legal Guidance, to clarify that, under state compulsory education laws and the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Plyler v. Doe, students cannot be denied a free public education on the basis of their citizenship or immigration status, including their status as undocumented children. Policy includes direction not to inquire into a student's citizenship or immigration status nor deny enrollment on the basis of citizenship or immigration status. Policy also reflects NEW LAW (AB 2308, 2016) which extends the requirement that the district's enrollment forms include an informational item about affordable health care options and available enrollment assistance through the 2020-21 school year.

BP 5111.1

District Residency

(BP revised) Policy updated and released on GAMUT in February, in conjunction with new CSBA Legal Guidance, to clarify that, under state compulsory education laws and the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Plyler v. Doe, districts cannot deny enrollment on the basis of citizenship or immigration status and therefore should not request visas, passports, or other documentation that would discourage undocumented children from enrolling in school.

BP/AR 5113

Absences and Excuses

(BP/AR revised) Policy updated to reflect the requirement for a board resolution approving reasonable methods by which students can verify absences due to illness or quarantine. Policy also deletes section on "Effect of Absence on Grades/Credits," as that material is covered in BP/AR 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement and BP 6154 - Homework/Makeup Work. Regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 1593, 2016) which provides that a student's attendance at his/her own naturalization ceremony constitutes an excused absence. Regulation also includes parent notification requirement formerly in BP, and adds notifications that a student may be excused for religious exercises or instruction and that a student's grade will not be lowered following an excused

absence provided that missed schoolwork is completed within a reasonable period of time.

BP/AR 5141.52

Suicide Prevention

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation substantially revised to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2246, 2016) which mandates districts serving grades 7-12 to adopt policy on suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention by the beginning of the 2017-18 school year. Policy and regulation reflect the mandate to address any related staff development to be provided to teachers in grades 7-12 and to address the needs of specified high-risk student populations. In addition, policy and regulation add best practices in prevention, intervention, and postvention, including, but not limited to, student instruction, crisis intervention procedures, follow-up care for a student who threatens or attempts suicide, and the provision of counseling and other postvention strategies to reduce suicide contagion.

E 5145.6

Parental Notifications

(E revised) Exhibit updated to reflect NEW LAWS adding parental notifications related to language acquisition programs (Proposition 58, 2016), involuntary transfer of a student convicted of violent felony or firearms-related misdemeanor (SB 1343, 2016), enrollment priorities for homeless and foster youth in before/after school programs (AB 2615, 2016), and exemption from local graduation requirements for former juvenile court school students (AB 2306, 2016). Exhibit also deletes notification related to structured English immersion programs pursuant to Proposition 58, and updates legal citations and referenced CSBA sample policies/regulations.

BP/AR 5148.2

Before/After School Programs

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2615, 2016) which permits districts to charge a family fee for participation in an ASES, 21st CCLC, or ASSETs program, as long as the fee is waived or reduced for low-income families and, effective July 1, 2017, the fee is not charged for a homeless or foster youth. Policy also links program content with goals in the district's LCAP, and includes material formerly in AR related to

priorities for establishing district programs consistent with state and federal priorities for funding programs. Regulation also reflects provisions of AB 2615 which require first priority for enrollment, beginning July 1, 2017, to be given to students identified as homeless or foster youth and require ASSETs programs to provide for access to computers and technology.

BP 6111

School Calendar

(BP revised) Policy updated to clarify that a district must offer a minimum of 175 instructional days per school year until it meets or exceeds its funding target under the local control funding formula, at which time the minimum required number of instructional days is 180. Policy also adds reference to the requirement for a minimum of 163 instructional days per year for multitrack year-round schools.

BP 6117

Year-Round Schedules

(BP revised) Policy updated to clarify that a year-round school is generally required to offer a minimum of 175 instructional days per school year until the district meets or exceeds its funding target under the local control funding formula, at which time the minimum required number of instructional days is 180. Policy adds conditions under which a multitrack year-round school may instead offer a minimum of 163 instructional days.

BP/AR 6142.2

World/Foreign Language Instruction

(BP/AR revised) Policy and regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (Proposition 58, 2016) which authorizes the establishment of dual-language immersion programs that provide integrated language learning and academic instruction for English learners and native speakers of English. Policy also reflects NEW LAW (AB 2290, 2016) which requires the SBE to consider revisions to the state content standards for world languages by March 31, 2019. Regulation reflects provisions of Proposition 58 which (1) delete the requirement that a parent/guardian request a waiver of structured English immersion instruction so that an English learner may participate in a dual-language immersion program, (2) require dual-language immersion

programs in grades K-3 to meet class size requirements, and (3) require a parental notice with information on the district's dual-language and other language acquisition programs.

BP 6144

Controversial Issues

(BP revised) Policy updated to provide that parents/guardians may be given an opportunity to opt out of instruction on controversial issues only when required by law, not at the discretion of a teacher or administrator. Policy also clarifies the district's right to limit teacher expressions of personal opinion when teachers are in the classroom and therefore acting on behalf of the district.

BP/AR 6174

Education for English Learners

(BP/AR revised; E 6174 deleted) Policy and regulation substantially revised to reflect NEW LAW (Proposition 58) which authorizes parents/guardians to select a language acquisition program that best suits their child and eliminates the requirement for parents/guardians to request a waiver from the district if they want to enroll their child in a program other than a structured English immersion program. Policy reflects provisions of Proposition 58 that require districts to (1) offer, at a minimum, a structured English immersion program; (2) seek parent/guardian and community input on language acquisition programs during development of the district's LCAP; and (3) to the extent possible, offer a language acquisition program requested by parents/guardians of 30 or more students at a school or 20 or more students in any grade level at the school. Policy and regulation also reflect revisions in Title III English learner programs, including renumbering of accountability requirements and changes in the required parental notification, pursuant to the Every Student Succeeds Act. Title of policy and regulation updated to reflect current terminology. Exhibit deleted as districts no longer need a sample form for the parental exception waiver.

BP 6176

Weekend/Saturday Classes

(BP revised) Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 2659, 2016) which authorizes makeup classes for any type of absence, including excused absences, to be offered

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during the weekend. Policy also adds material regarding the circumstances under which teachers cannot be assigned to work on a weekend.