Policy 6159: Individualized Education Program

The Governing Board desires to provide full educational opportunities to all students with disabilities. Students with disabilities who require special education and related services to meet their unique needs shall receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE) and, to the maximum extent possible, shall be educated in the least restrictive environment with nondisabled students.

For each student with disabilities, an individualized education program (IEP) shall be developed which identifies the special education instruction and related services to be provided to the student. The membership of the IEP team, the team's responsibility to develop and regularly review the IEP, the contents of the IEP, and the development, review, and revision processes shall be in accordance with the accompanying administrative regulation.

The district shall make FAPE available to individuals with disabilities, grades preschool through 8th grade, ages 3-21 who reside in the district, including: (Education Code 56040, 56440; 20 USC 1412; 34 CFR 300.17, 300.101, 300.104)

1. Students who have been suspended or expelled from school

2. Students who are placed by the district in a nonpublic, nonsectarian school

3. Individuals 18-21 years of age who are incarcerated in an adult correctional facility and were identified as being an individual with disabilities or had an IEP in their prior educational placement