

BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

After School Education and Safety (ASES) and 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) Programs

~~The district's ASES program may serve students in grades K-9. (Education Code 8482.3)~~

The district's After School Education and Safety (ASES) program or 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) program shall serve students in any of grades K-9 as the district may determine based on local needs. (Education Code 8482.3, 8484.7, 8484.75, 8484.8)

~~Consistent with state funding priorities, the district shall, to the extent feasible, give priority to establishing ASES programs that serve students in schools in which at least 50 percent of elementary students and 50 percent of middle or junior high school students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch program.~~

~~The district's 21st CCLC program may serve students in grades K-12. The district's 21st CCLC program shall primarily serve students in Title I schoolwide programs, with priority given to schools that are identified for program improvement under 20 USC 6316, or serve a high percentage of students from low-income families. (Education Code 8484.8; 20 USC 7173)~~

The district's ASES and 21st CCLC program(s) shall be operated in accordance with the following:

1. Program Elements
 - a. The program shall include an educational and literacy element in which tutoring or homework assistance is provided in language arts, mathematics, history and social science, computer training, and/or science. (Education Code 8482.3)
 - b. The program shall include an educational enrichment element which may include, but is not limited to, fine arts, career technical education, recreation, physical fitness, and prevention activities. (Education Code 8482.3)
2. Nutrition
 - a. If snacks or meals are made available in the program, they shall conform to state nutrition standards specified in Education Code 49430-49436 or 42 USC 1766 as applicable. (Education Code 8482.3; 42 USC 1766-1766a; 7 CFR 226.17)
 - b. The district's before-school program shall offer a breakfast meal as described in Education Code 49553 for all program participants. (Education Code 8483.1)

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3. Location of Program

- a. The program may be offered at one or multiple school sites and/or at an easily available and accessible off-campus facility. (Education Code 8482.3)
- b. When there is a significant barrier to student participation in either the before-school or after-school component of a program at the school of attendance, the district may, with the approval of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, provide services at another school site. Such transfer of services shall occur only if the school to which the program will be transferred agrees to receive students from the transferring school and has an existing grant of the same type as the transferring school, or does not have a 10-percent lower percentage of students eligible for free or reduced-price meals than the transferring school. A significant barrier includes either of the following: (Education Code 8482.8)
 - (1) Fewer than 20 students participating in the program component
 - (2) Extreme transportation constraints, including, but not limited to, desegregation busing, busing for magnet or open enrollment schools, or student dependence on public transportation
 - (3) A reduction in the program grant of an existing school due to its merging into a new school opened by the district or the splitting of its students with a new school

In such cases, the district shall arrange for safe, supervised transportation between school sites; ensure communication among staff in the regular school program, staff in the before-school or after-school program, and parents/guardians; and ensure alignment of the educational and literacy elements with the regular school program of participating students. (Education Code 8482.8)

4. Staffing

- a. All staff members who directly supervise students shall, at a minimum, meet the qualifications for an instructional aide. (Education Code 8483.4, 45330, 45344, 45344.5)
- b. All program staff and volunteers shall be subject to the health screening and fingerprint clearance requirements in law and Board policy. (Education Code 8483.4)

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- c. The student-to-staff ratio shall be no more than 20 to 1. (Education Code 8483.4)
5. Hours of Operation
- a. A before-school program shall not operate for less than one and one-half hours per regular school day. (Education Code 8483.1)
 - b. An after-school program shall begin immediately upon the conclusion of the regular school day and shall operate a minimum of 15 hours per week and at least until 6 p.m. on every regular school day. (Education Code 8483)
 - c. ~~A program may be offered during summer, intersession, or vacation days for a minimum of two hours per day for the before-school program or three hours per day for the after-school program. However, when both before-school and after-school programs are offered for the same students on such days, they shall be operated for a minimum of four and one-half hours per day. (Education Code 8483, 8483.1, 8483.2)~~
 - d. ~~Each student admitted into a district program shall be expected to attend the full number of hours that the program is in operation every day that he/she participates. However, when necessary, a student's parent/guardian may request, in writing, that the Superintendent or designee approve the reasonable late daily arrival of his/her child for the before-school program or the reasonable early daily release of his/her child from the after-school program. The Superintendent or designee shall not approve such a request if the student would be attending less than one-half of the daily program hours.~~
6. Admissions
- a. Every student attending a school operating a program is eligible to participate in the program, subject to program capacity. (Education Code 8482.6)
 - b. If the number of students wishing to participate in the program exceeds program capacity, students shall be selected for enrollment based on the following guidelines:
 - (1) ~~Priority for enrollment of middle or junior high school students shall be given to students who attend daily.~~ First priority for enrollment shall be given to students who are identified as homeless youth, as defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 USC 11434a), at the time they apply for enrollment or at any time during the school year and to students who are identified by the program as being in foster care. (Education Code 8483, 8483.1)

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The district is not required to disenroll a current student in order to secure the enrollment of a student who has priority for enrollment. (Education Code 8483, 8483.1)

The district shall inform the parent/guardian of a homeless or foster youth of the right of the child to receive priority enrollment and how to request priority enrollment. (Education Code 8483)

- (2) Second priority for enrollment of middle or junior high school students shall be given to students who attend daily. (Education Code 8483, 8483.1)
- (~~2~~ 3) Third priority for enrollment shall be given to students identified as in need of academic remediation or support in accordance with Board policy or administrative regulations.
- (~~3~~ 4) Any remaining capacity shall be filled by students selected at random.
- (4 ~~5~~) A waiting list shall be established to accommodate additional students if space becomes available.

7. Attendance/Early Release

- a. Each student admitted into a district program shall be expected to attend the full number of hours that the program is in operation every day that he/she participates.
- b. When necessary, a student's parent/guardian may request, in writing, that the Superintendent or designee approve the reasonable late daily arrival of his/her child for the before-school program or the reasonable early daily release of his/her child from the after-school program. The Superintendent or designee shall not approve such a request if the student would be attending less than one-half of the daily program hours.

8. Summer/Intersession/Vacation Programs

- a. A before-school program operating during summer, intersession, and/or vacation days shall be offered for a minimum of two hours per day. An after-school program offered during summer, intersession, and/or vacation days may be operated for either three hours or six hours per day in accordance with Education Code 8483.76. When both before-school and after-school programs are offered for the same students on such days, they shall be operated for a minimum of four and one-half hours per day. (Education Code 8483, 8483.1, 8483.2, 8483.76)

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- b. A program offered during summer, intersession, and/or vacation periods may open eligibility to every student attending a school in the district, with priority for enrollment given to students enrolled in the school that received the grant. (Education Code 8483.76)
- c. To address the needs of students and school closures, the program may be conducted at an off-site location or an alternate school site. The program shall notify the California Department of Education (CDE) of the change of location and shall include a plan to provide safe transportation pursuant to Education Code 8484.6. (Education Code 8483.76)
- d. Any program operating for six hours per day shall provide at least one nutritionally adequate free or reduced-price meal to each eligible student during each program day. (Education Code 8483.76)
- e. For any program operating six hours per day, district procedures pertaining to student attendance and early release as specified in item #7 above shall apply. (Education Code 8483.76)

21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens (ASSETs) Program

The district's ASSETs program may serve students in grades 9-12. The district's 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens (ASSETs) program shall serve students in any of grades 9-12 as the district may determine based on local needs. (Education Code 8421)

~~When feasible, priority shall be placed on establishing programs that serve students in schools that are ranked in deciles 1-3 on the most recent Academic Performance Index (API).~~

The program shall be operated in accordance with the following:

- 1. Program Elements
 - a. The program shall include an academic assistance element that is aligned with the regular academic program and includes, but is not limited to, at least one of the following: (Education Code 8421)
 - (1) Preparation for the high school exit examination
 - (2) Tutoring

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- (3) Career exploration, including activities that help students develop the knowledge and skills that are relevant to their career interests and reinforce academic content
 - (4) Homework assistance
 - (4) College preparation, including information about the Cal Grant program pursuant to Education Code 69530-69547.9
 - b. The program shall include an enrichment element that may include, but is not limited to, community service, career technical education, job readiness, opportunities for mentoring and tutoring younger students, service learning, arts, computer and technology training, physical fitness, and recreation activities. (Education Code 8421)
 - c. The program shall include a nutritional snack and a physical activity element. (Education Code 8423)
 - d. The program shall provide for access to, and availability of, computers and technology. (Education Code 8423)
 - e. The Superintendent or designee shall assess students' preferences for program activities. (Education Code 8423)
2. Location of Program
- a. The district's program may operate on one or multiple school sites or at another location approved by the California Department of Education (CDE). (Education Code 8421)
 - b. If applying for a location off school grounds, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that safe transportation is available for students, if necessary, and the program is at least as available and accessible as similar programs conducted on school sites. (Education Code 8421)
3. Hours of Operation
- a. The district's program shall operate for a minimum of 15 hours per week. (Education Code 8421)

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- b. The district's program may be operated either after school only or for any combination of after school, before school, weekends, summer, intersession, and vacations. (Education Code 8422)

Volunteers

The Superintendent or designee may establish a registry of volunteer after-school physical recreation instructors and other before- and after-school program volunteers. (Education Code 35021.3)

To be included in the registry, a volunteer shall submit to a criminal background check pursuant to Education Code 45125. He/she also shall submit current contact information to the district and shall update that information whenever the information changes. (Education Code 35021.3)

The Superintendent or designee may use a volunteer registered with the district or may select another person to provide physical recreation to students after school hours or to provide other services. (Education Code 35021.3)

Reports

The Superintendent or designee shall annually submit to the CDE outcome-based data ~~on academic performance, attendance, and positive behavioral changes, including, but not limited to:~~ (Education Code 8427, 8482.3, 8484)

1. For participating students, school day attendance on an annual basis and program attendance on a semi-annual basis
2. Evidence of a program quality improvement process that is data driven and based on CDE program quality standards
2. ~~Program attendance~~
3. ~~One or more of the following measures of program effectiveness based on the individual program's focus:~~
 - a. ~~Positive behavioral changes, as reported by school day teachers or program staff who directly supervise students~~
 - b. ~~Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) test scores~~

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- c. ~~Homework completion rates as reported by school day teachers or program staff who directly supervise students~~
 - d. ~~Skill development as reported by school day teachers or program staff who directly supervise students~~
 - e. ~~Any other measures developed by the CDE~~
4. ~~To the extent possible, performance of participating students on the high school exit exam and graduation rates~~

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