La Canada USD

Board Policy

Registration/Enrollment Of Students

BP 5111
Students

Students shall be enrolled by the Superintendent's designee at the offices of the La Canada Unified School District, 4490 Cornishon Avenue, La Canada, California 91011, telephone (818) 952-8300. Upon presentation of proof of residency and verification of all required documents, the Superintendent's designee shall enroll students in district schools according to Administrative Regulations and availability of space.

The Superintendent or designee shall inform parents/guardians of children seeking admission to a district school at any grade level about admission requirements and shall assist them with enrollment procedures.

The Superintendent or designee shall announce and publicize the timeline and process for registration of students at district schools. Applications for intradistrict or interdistrict enrollment shall be subject to the timelines specified in applicable Board policies and administrative regulations.

(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)
(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
(cf. 5118 - Open Enrollment Act Transfers)

All appropriate staff shall receive training on district admission policies and procedures, including information regarding the types of documentation that can and cannot be requested.

The district's enrollment application shall include information about the health care options and enrollment assistance available to families within the district. The district shall not discriminate against any child for not having health care coverage and shall not use any information relating to a child's health care coverage or his/her interest in learning about health care coverage in any manner that would harm the child or his/her family. (Education Code 49452.9)

Verification of Admission Eligibility

Before enrolling any child in a district school, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the child's age, residency, immunization, and other applicable eligibility criteria specified in law, the

accompanying administrative regulation, or other applicable Board policy or administrative regulation.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)
(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)
(cf. 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry)

The district shall not inquire into or request documentation of a student's social security number or the last four digits of the social security number or the citizenship or immigration status of the student or his/her family members. (Education Code 234.7, 49076.7)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

However, such information may be collected when required by state or federal law or to comply with requirements for special state or federal programs. In any such situation, the information shall be collected separately from the school enrollment process and the Superintendent or designee shall explain the limited purpose for which the information is collected. Enrollment in a district school shall not be denied on the basis of any such information of the student or his/her parents/guardians obtained by the district, or the student's or parent/guardian's refusal to provide such information to the district.

School registration information shall list all possible means of documenting a child's age for grades K-1 as authorized by Education Code 48002 or otherwise prescribed by the Board. Any alternative document allowed by the district shall be one that all persons can obtain regardless of immigration status, citizenship status, or national origin and shall not reveal information related to citizenship or immigrant status.

The Superintendent or designee shall immediately enroll a homeless student, foster youth, student who has had contact with the juvenile justice system, or a child of a military family regardless of outstanding fees or fines owed to the student's last school, lack of clothing normally required by the school, such as school uniforms, or his/her inability to produce previous academic, medical, or other records normally required for enrollment. (Education Code 48645.5, 48850, 48852.7, 48853.5, 49701; 42 USC 11432)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)
(cf. 6173.3 - Education for Juvenile Court School Students)

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status
46300 Computation of average daily attendance, inclusion of kindergarten and transitional kindergarten
46600 Agreements for admission of pupils desiring interdistrict attendance
48000 Minimum age of admission (kindergarten)
48002 Evidence of minimum age required to enter kindergarten or first grade
48010 Minimum age of admission (first grade)
48011 Admission from kindergarten or other school; minimum age
48050-48053 Nonresidents
48200 Children between ages of 6 and 18 years (compulsory full-time education)
48350-48361 Open Enrollment Act
48645.5 Enrollment of former juvenile court school students
48850-48859 Educational placement of homeless and foster youth
49076 Access to records by persons without written consent or under judicial order
49076.7 Student records; data privacy; social security numbers
49408 Information of use in emergencies
49452.9 Health care coverage options and enrollment assistance
49700-49703 Education of children of military families
HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
120325-120380 Education and child care facility immunization requirements
121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for pupils
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
200 Promotion from kindergarten to first grade
201 Admission to high school
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17
6000-6075 School attendance immunization requirements
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 5
552a Note Refusal to disclose social security number
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
11431-11435 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
COURT DECISIONS
Plyler v. Doe, 457 U.S. 202 (1982)

Management Resources:
CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Legal Guidance on Providing All Children Equal Access to Education, Regardless of Immigration Status, February 2017
~~CDE MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES~~
~~0900.90 Changes in law concerning eligibility for admission to kindergarten~~
CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLICATIONS
Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All: Guidance and Model Policies to

Assist California's K-12 Schools in Responding to Immigration Issues, April 2018
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS JOINT PUBLICATIONS
Dear Colleague Letter: School Enrollment Procedures, May 8, 2014
Fact Sheet: Information on the Rights of All Children to Enroll in School, May 8, 2014
Information on the Rights of All Children to Enroll in School: Questions and Answers for States, School Districts and Parents, May 8, 2014
WEB SITES
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
California Department of Education, Health Care Coverage and Enrollment Assistance: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hc
California Office of the Attorney General: http://oag.ca.gov
U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr
U.S. Department of Justice: http://www.justice.gov

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