Before/After School Programs

The Governing Board desires to provide before-school and/or after-school enrichment programs that support the regular education program in a supervised environment. In order to increase academic achievement of participating students, the content of such programs shall be coordinated with the district's vision and goals for student learning, local control and accountability plan, curriculum, and academic standards.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6177 - Summer Learning Programs)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

The district's program shall be planned through a collaborative process that includes parents/guardians, students, and representatives of participating schools, governmental agencies including city and county parks and recreation departments, local law enforcement, community organizations, and, if appropriate, the private sector. (Education Code 8422, 8482.5)

To the extent feasible, the district shall give priority to establishing before-school and/or after-school programs in low-performing schools and/or programs that serve low-income and other at-risk students.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

Any program to be established shall be approved by the Board. (Education Code 8421, 8482.3)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all staff who directly supervise students in the district's before-school and/or after-school program possess appropriate knowledge and experience. As needed, staff and volunteers shall receive ongoing training related to their job responsibilities.

(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4222 - Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Each program shall include academic and enrichment elements in accordance with law and administrative regulation. In addition, each program may include support services that reinforce the educational component and promote student health and well-being.

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
A family fee may be charged to participating families based on the actual cost of services, as long as the fee is waived or reduced for families with students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. (Education Code 8422, 8482.6)

In regard to the After School Education and Safety program and/or 21st Century Community Learning Center program, no fee shall be charged for a student identified as a homeless or foster youth. (Education Code 8482.6)

The Superintendent or designee shall monitor student participation rates and shall identify multiple measures that shall be used to evaluate program effectiveness. Such measures may include, but are not limited to, student outcome data; program self-assessments; feedback from staff, participating students, and parents/guardians; and observations of program activities.

Every three years, the Superintendent or designee shall review the after-school program plan, including, but not limited to, program goals, program content, and outcome measures. Documentation of the program plan shall be maintained for a minimum of five years.

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