

Fresno Unified Board Policy (BP) 6177

Summer Learning Programs

The Governing Board recognizes that an extended break from the instructional program may result in significant learning loss, especially among disadvantaged and low-achieving students, and desires to provide opportunities during the summer for students to practice essential skills and make academic progress.

Summer programs offered by the district shall be aligned with the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP), other applicable district and school plans, and the educational program provided during the school year. When feasible, summer programs shall blend high-quality academic instruction in core curricular and/or elective subjects with recreation, nutrition programs, social and emotional development, and support services that encourage attendance, student engagement in learning, and student wellness.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 3552 - Summer Meal Program)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 5141.6 - School Health Services)
(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development Program)
(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)
(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

Summer School

The Superintendent or designee, with Board approval, may establish summer school day and/or evening classes.

(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Program)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)

The district's summer school program may be used to provide supplemental instruction to students needing remediation and/or enrichment in core academic subjects.

(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

As appropriate, priority for enrollment in summer programs shall be given to district students who:

1. Need course credits in order to graduate from high school before the beginning of the next school year

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

2. Demonstrate academic deficiencies in core curriculum areas

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

The remaining openings shall be offered to other district students on a first-come first-served basis.

Attendance

Because summer courses cover extensive instructional content in a relatively short time period, students who have more than three excused absences or one unexcused absence may not receive credit for summer session class(es) unless they make-up missed work in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 6154 - Homework/Makeup Work)

Sites for summer school programs may be rotated in an effort to make summer school programs more accessible to all students, regardless of residence or regular attendance area, and to accommodate the maintenance needs of district schools.

Additional Summer Learning Opportunities

The Superintendent or designee may collaborate with parent/guardians, city and county agencies, community organizations, childcare providers, and/or other interested persons to develop, implement, and build awareness of organized activities that support summer learning.

(cf. 1400 – Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
(cf. 1700 – Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)

Strategies to support summer learning may include, but are not limited to:

1. Providing information to students and parents/guardians about summer reading programs scheduled to be conducted by public libraries or community organizations
2. Collaborating with the local parks and recreation agency and/or community organizations to provide day camps, sports programs, or other opportunities for physical education and activity

(cf. 1330.1 – Joint Use Agreements)
3. Collaborating with workforce development agencies, businesses, and community organizations to provide summer job training opportunities that include an academic component

(cf. 3260 – Fees and Charges)
(cf. 5113.2 – Work Permits)
(cf. 6178.1 – Work-Based Learning)
4. Encouraging reading in the home, such as providing lists of recommended reading to students and parents/guardians, establishing a target number of books or pages, and providing prizes for achievement of reading goals

(cf. 6020 – Parent Involvement)
5. Assigning summer vacation homework in core curricular subjects(s) for extra credit
6. Conducting occasional, interactive “fun days” during the summer to provide activities related to art, music, science, technology, mathematics, environmental science, multicultural education, debate, or other subjects

7. Arranging opportunities for community service

(cf. 6142.4 – Service Learning/Community Service Classes)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8482-8484.6 After School Education and Safety Program

8484.7-8484.9 21st Century Community Learning Centers

37252-37254.1 Supplemental instructional

39837 Transportation to summer employment programs

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

41976.5 Summer school programs, substantially disabled persons or graduating high school seniors

42238.01-42238.07 Local control funding formula

48070-48070.5 Promotion and retention

51210 Areas of study for elementary schools

51220 Areas of study for grades 1-6

51730-51732 Powers of governing boards (authorization for elementary summer school classes)

52052 Accountability; numerically significant student subgroups

52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan

54444.3 Summer program for migrant students

56345 Extended-year program for special education students

58700-58702 Credit towards summer school apportionments for tutoring and homework assistance

58806 Summer school apportionments

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3043 Extended school year, for special education students

11470-11472 Summer school

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311-6322 Improving basic programs for disadvantaged students

7171-7176 21st Century Community Learning Centers

WEB SITES

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