## **BRITTAN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

BP 6159.2

The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to provide a free appropriate public education to students with disabilities in accordance with law. When the district is unable to provide direct special education and/or related services to students with disabilities, the Board may enter into a contract with a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency (NPS/A) to meet student needs consistent with the comprehensive local plan of the Special Education Local Plan Area.

Prior to entering into a contract to place any student in an NPS/A, the Superintendent or designee shall verify that the school or agency is certified to provide special education and related services to individuals with disabilities and complies with staff training requirements in accordance with Education Code 56366 and 56366.1. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall monitor, on an ongoing basis, the certification of any NPS/A with which the district has a contract to ensure that the certification has not expired.

No district student shall be placed in an NPS/A unless the student's individualized education program (IEP) team has determined that an appropriate public education alternative does not exist and that the placement is appropriate for the student. (Education Code 56342.1)

The district shall pay to the NPS/A the full amount of the tuition or fees, as applicable, for students with disabilities who are enrolled in programs or receiving services provided by the NPS/A. (Education Code 56365)

In accordance with law, any student with disabilities placed in an NPS/A shall have all the rights and protections to which students with disabilities are generally entitled, including, but not limited to, procedural safeguards, due process rights, and periodic review of the student's IEP.

During the period when any student with disabilities is placed in an NPS/A, the student's IEP team shall retain responsibility for monitoring the student's progress towards meeting the goals identified in the IEP.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board prior to approving an out-of-state placement for any district student.

The Superintendent or designee may apply to the Superintendent of Public Instruction to waive any of the requirements of Education Code 56365, 56366, and 56366.6. (Education Code 56366.2)

## Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 56034-56035 Definitions of nonpublic, nonsectarian school and agency 56042 Placement not to be recommended by attorney with conflict of interest 56101 Waivers 56163 Certification 56168 Responsibility for education of student in hospital or health facility school 56195.8 Adoption of policies 56342.1 Individualized education program; placement 56360-56369 Implementation of special education 56711 Computation of state aid 56740-56743 Apportionments and reports 56760 Annual budget plan; service proportions 56775.5 Reimbursement of assessment and identification costs 56836.20-56836.21 Special education funding; SELPA contracts with nonpublic nonsectarian schools FAMILY CODE 7911-7912 Interstate compact on placement of children GOVERNMENT CODE

7570-7587 Interagency responsibilities for providing services to disabled children; especially: 7572.55 Seriously emotionally disturbed child; out-of-state placement <u>WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE</u> 362.2 Out-of-home placement for IEP 727.1 Out-of-state placement of wards of court<u>CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5</u> 3001 Definitions 3051-3051.24 Special education; standards for related services and staff qualifications 3060-3070 Nonpublic, nonsectarian school and agency services <u>UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20</u> 1400-1487 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act <u>CODE</u> <u>OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34</u> 300.129-300.148 Children with disabilities in private schools <u>COURT DECISIONS</u> <u>Agostini v. Felton, (1997) 521 U.S. 203, 117 S.Ct. 1997</u>

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