

Board Policy: #5148.2

Section: 5000 Students

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BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The Governing Board desires to provide learning opportunities for students beyond the regular school day 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.

Each program offered by the district shall be planned through a collaborative process as required by law. (Education Code 8422, 8482.5, 8484.75, 46120)

To the extent feasible, the district shall give priority to establishing expanded learning opportunities beyond the regular school day in low-performing schools and/or programs that serve low-income and other at-risk students.

Any expanded learning opportunities, including but not limited to After School Education and Safety Program (ASES), 21st Century Community Learning Center Program (21st CCLC), 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens Program (ASSETs), Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELO) or any other program to be established pursuant to Education Code 8421, 8482.3 or 8484.75 shall be approved by the Board.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all staff who directly supervise students in the district's expanded learning opportunity programs possess appropriate knowledge and experience. As needed, staff and volunteers shall receive ongoing training related to their job responsibilities.

Each before-school, after-school, summer, or intersessional expanded learning opportunity 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.

A family fee may be charged to participating families based on the actual cost of services.

However, for the ASSETs program, a family fee shall be waived or reduced for families with students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. (Education Code 8422)

For ASES, 21st CCLC, and/or Expanded Learning Opportunities programs, no fee shall be charged for a student who is eligible for free or reduced-price meals, or a student who the district knows is a homeless youth or in foster care. In addition, family fees shall be calculated on a sliding scale that considers family income and ability to pay. (Education Code 8482.6, 46120)

Eligible students who are 11 or 12 years of age shall be placed in a before-school or after-school program, if and when available, rather than subsidized child care and development services. During the time that the before-school or after-school program does not operate, such students may be provided the option of enrolling in child care and development services in accordance with the enrollment priorities established in AR 5148 – Child Care and Development. (Welfare and Institutions Code 10273)

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