### Instruction

#### APPOINTMENT OF SURROGATE PARENT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

In order to protect the rights of students with disabilities, the Superintendent or designee shall appoint a surrogate parent to represent a child with disabilities as necessary in accordance with law. The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for recruiting, training, and assigning adults to serve as surrogate parents.

Before individuals are appointed as surrogate parents, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that they have passed a criminal background screening and have demonstrated interest and skill in working with children with disabilities, sensitivity to ethnic and cultural factors, and ability to work cooperatively with others.

- (cf. 0430 Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)
- (cf. 1312 Uniform Complaint Procedures)
- (cf. 3515.6 Criminal Background Checks for Contractors)
- (cf. 3541.2 Transportation for Students with Disabilities)
- (cf. 4112.23 Special Education Staff)
- (cf. 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities)
- (cf. 6146.4 Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Individuals with Exceptional Needs)
- (cf. 6159 Individualized Education Program)
- (cf.6159.1 Procedural Safeguards and Complaints for Special Education)
- (cf. 6159.2 Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education)
- (cf. 6164.4 Identification of Individuals for Special Education)

### Legal Reference:

#### **EDUCATION CODE**

56028 Parent

56050 Surrogate parents

56055 Rights of foster parents

#### **GOVERNMENT CODE**

7570-7587 Interagency responsibilities for proving services to disabled children, especially:

# WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

- 300 Children subject to jurisdiction
- 361 Limitations on parental control
- 601 Minors habitually disobedient or truant
- 601 Minors violating laws
- 726 Limitations on parental control

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# **APPOINTMENT OF SURROGATE PARENT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS** (continued)

# **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20**

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
1415 Procedural Safeguards
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
11434a Definitions
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34
300.30 Definition of "parent"
300.519 Surrogate parents

# Management Resources:

# FEDERAL REGISTER

Rules and Regulations, August 14, 2006, Vol. 71, No. 156, Pages 46539-46845 WEB SITES

CDE: http://www.cde.ca.gov

US Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS

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