

CONTINUATION EDUCATION

The Governing Board provides a continuation education program to meet the special needs of students 16 and 17 years old who are not attending a high school or other appropriate educational institution and who are not legally exempted from compulsory school attendance (Education Code 48400). Continuation education classes shall provide:

1. An opportunity for the student to complete courses required for high school graduation.
2. A program of instruction that emphasizes occupational orientation, or a work-study program that offers intensive guidance services to meet students' special needs.
3. A program designed to meet each student's educational needs, with classroom instruction supplemented by independent study, regional occupational programs, work-study, career counseling, and/or job placement services (Education Code 48430).

The Board further expects this program to help students develop self-confidence and a sense of responsibility. Students shall be encouraged to understand and obey laws, to manage money wisely, and to engage in constructive recreational activities.

From age 17 on, students may voluntarily elect to be enrolled in the continuation education program, such enrollment shall be made only after a thorough review of the appropriateness of this placement by the District Admission and Discharge Committee.

(cf. 6182 - Opportunity School/Class/Program)

The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations governing the involuntary transfer of students into the continuation program, including students under the age of sixteen.

(cf. 5112.3 - Student Leave of Absence)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

CONTINUATION EDUCATION (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48400-48454 *Compulsory continuation education in general, especially*

48401 *Weekly minimum attendance requirement*

48402 *Minors not regularly employed*

48410 *Persons exempted from continuation classes*

48412 *Certificate of proficiency; examination fees*

48413 *Enrollment in continuation classes*

48414 *Persons exempted from compulsory continuation education; reenrollment in district*

48416 *Leave of absence for students aged 16 to 18 inclusive*

48430 *Legislative intent; continuation education schools and classes*

48431 *Establishment and maintenance of guidance placement and follow-up program*

48432 *Establishment and maintenance of continuation classes for minors*

48432.5 *Involuntary transfer to continuation school*

48433 *Minimum hours of instruction*

48434 *Hours when classes are maintained*

48440 *Continuation school income & expense report to SDE*

48443 *Evaluation and report on continuation education programs to SPI*

48450-48454 *Violation*

48903 *Limitations on days of suspension*

FAMILY CODE

7000-7002 *Emancipated minors*

7050 *Purposes for which emancipated minor considered an adult*

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

54 Opinions of the California Attorney General, p. 262