

**APPOINTMENT OF SURROGATE PARENT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

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

- (cf. 0430 - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)*
- (cf. 1312.3 - 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 and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)*
- (cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)*
- (cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)*

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

- 56028 Parent
- 56050 Surrogate parents
- 56055 Rights of foster parents

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 7570-7587 Interagency responsibilities for providing services to disabled children, especially:
- 7579.5 Surrogate parent; appointment; qualifications; liability

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

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

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

- 1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, especially:
- 1415 Procedural safeguards

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

- 11434a Definitions

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

- 300.30 Definition parent
- 300.519 Surrogate parents

*Management Resources:*

FEDERAL REGISTER

- 34 CFR 300.a Appendix to Part 300 – Questions and Answers
- 34 CFR 300.a1 Attachment 1: Analysis of Comments and Changes

WEB SITES

- California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>
- U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/index.html>

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