

PLAN FOR PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TO ALL EXPELLED STUDENTS IN WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

General Provisions

As required by Education Code 48926, the Orange County Superintendent of Schools has developed an expulsion plan in conjunction with the Superintendents of the school districts in Orange County. The plan provides for educational services to all expelled students in the county for school years 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027. A student whose behavior has resulted in an expulsion is provided a rehabilitation plan which ensures placement in an educational program and establishes the criteria for return to the Westminster School District. All educational alternatives provided by Orange County school districts are not available to all expelled students. The type of offense, location of offense, grade level, and nature of the student's individualized needs; all have the potential to affect the educational alternatives available to the student during the period of expulsion. Students expelled for any of the offenses listed in subdivision (a) or (c) of Section 48915 of the California Education Code shall not be permitted to enroll in any district-operated program during the period of expulsion unless it is a community day school (E.C. 48915.2).

WSD Policies: BP 5144, BP 5155.1, AR 5144.1, AR 5144.2

Westminster School District Prevention Activities

As indicated in the Orange County Expulsion plan, the options available to Westminster School District after an expulsion decision include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Expulsion, suspended order, with placement on the same school campus [E.C. section 48917 (a)].
2. Expulsion, suspended order, with placement on a different school campus within the district [E.C. section 48917 (a)].
3. Expulsion with referral to a district community day school program, if available [E.C. section 48660].
4. Expulsion with subsequent transfer to another district subject to acceptance by the district of proposed enrollment [E.C. section 48915.1].
5. Expulsion with referral to the Orange County Department of Education, Division of Alternative, Community and Correctional Education Schools and Services (ACCESS) [E.C. section 1981].

Actual referral to a district alternative suspension/expulsion classroom or county community school is made by the Westminster School District governing board with recommendations from the district discipline review board or by another established district referral process as required by statute.

Westminster School District Prevention Activities

District activities relating to the prevention of suspensions and expulsions are outlined in the following chart:

Title of Activity	Description of Activity	Grade Level
Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS) implementation	Multi-tiered districtwide behavior supports and interventions	TK-8
Parent Notification and Rights	Start of the year communication regarding policies	TK-8
Elementary School Counseling	Group and individual counseling services on campus	TK-6
Middle School Counseling	Group and individual counseling services on campus	6-8
Second Step Lessons	Universal classroom program	TK -8
Mind Up Lessons	Universal classroom program	TK -8
Tobacco Use and Prevention Program (TUPE)	District wide intervention/prevention program	K-8
Parent Education	Parenting Symposium	TK-8
Referral to ASES program	Academic and behavior intervention and support	TK-8
WSD Truancy Project	Attendance letters, Student Attendance Review Team (site), Student Attendance Review Board (district)	K-8
BRAVE Program	Curriculum to empower students against violence	K-8
WSD SST Process	Student Success Teams (SST) for intervention and support	K-8

RESOURCES/REFERENCES

EDUCATION CODE - EDC

- **TITLE 2. ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION [33000 - 64100]** (*Title 2 enacted by Stats. 1976, Ch. 1010.*)
 - **DIVISION 4. INSTRUCTION AND SERVICES [46000 - 65001]** (*Division 4 enacted by Stats. 1976, Ch. 1010.*)
 - **PART 27. PUPILS [48000 - 49703]** (*Part 27 enacted by Stats. 1976, Ch. 1010.*)
 - **CHAPTER 6. Pupil Rights and Responsibilities [48900 - 49051]** (*Chapter 6 enacted by Stats. 1976, Ch. 1010.*)
 - **ARTICLE 1. Suspension or Expulsion [48900 - 48927]** (*Article 1 repealed and added by Stats. 1983, Ch. 498, Sec. 91.*)

Ed Code 48926:

Each county superintendent of schools in counties that operate community schools pursuant to Section 1980, in conjunction with superintendents of the school districts within the county, shall develop a plan for providing education services to all expelled pupils in that county. The plan shall be adopted by the governing board of each school district within the county and by the county board of education.

The plan shall enumerate existing educational alternatives for expelled pupils, identify gaps in educational services for expelled pupils, and strategies for filling those service gaps. The plan shall also identify alternative placements for pupils who are expelled and placed in district community day school programs, but who fail to meet the terms and conditions of their rehabilitation plan or who pose a danger to other district pupils, as determined by the governing board.

Each county superintendent of schools, in conjunction with the superintendents of the school districts, shall submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction the county plan for providing educational services to all expelled pupils in the county no later than June 30, 1997, and shall submit a triennial update to the plan to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, including the outcome data pursuant to Section 48916.1, on June 30th thereafter.

(Added by Stats. 1995, Ch. 974, Sec. 8. Effective January 1, 1996. Operative July 1, 1996, by Sec. 9 of Ch. 974, which was amended by Stats. 1996, Ch. 937.)

Program Summary: [Program Summary - Countywide Plans for Expelled Students \(CA Dept of Education\)](#)

[Countywide Plans for Expelled Students - Educational Options \(CA Dept of Education\)](#)

Countywide Plans for Provision of Educational Services to Expelled Students: [Countywide Plans for Expelled Students - SSPI Tony Thurman](#)

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT
Business Services

DATE: March 7, 2024

TO: Gunn Marie Hansen, Ph.D., Superintendent

FROM: Manuel Cardoso, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Moises M. Merlos, Executive Director, School Support and Safety

SUBJECT: **UPDATE TO DISTRICT PLAN FOR PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR EXPELLED STUDENTS**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Per Education Code 48926, school districts are mandated to periodically update their district plan to ensure the provision of education services for all expelled students within the county. In compliance with this requirement, the Orange County Superintendent of Schools collaborates with the Superintendents of all school districts in Orange County to develop an expulsion plan. This plan delineates the educational services available to expelled students throughout the county for the forthcoming three school years: 2024-25, 2025-26, and 2026-27.

The development of this plan entails a collaborative effort, with each school district in Orange County formulating their own expulsion plan. These individual plans are structured based on a model devised by the Orange County Superintendent of Schools, known as the Countywide Expulsion Plan. This collaborative approach ensures consistency and coherence in providing educational support to expelled students across all districts within Orange County.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS:

The District's expulsion plan, initially approved by the Board of Trustees in 1997, was last reviewed and revised in 2021. The updated Orange County plan and the District plan are available in the School Support and Safety office and is available upon request.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the update to the district plan for providing educational services for expelled students



WSD INSPIRES!

Gunn Marie Hansen, Ph.D., Superintendent

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EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The following is an excerpt from the Minute Book of the Board of Trustees of the Westminster School District, Orange County, California. The excerpt is from the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on **March 7, 2024**, at which the following Board Members were present: David M. Johnson, Jeremy Khalaf, and Frances Nguyen.

8.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 8.9 TRUSTEE JEREMY KHALAF MOVED, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE DAVID JOHNSON, TO APPROVE/RATIFY DISTRICT PLAN FOR PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR EXPELLED STUDENTS. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. (DAVID JOHNSON, JEREMY KHALAF, FRANCES NGUYEN. ABSENT: TINA GUSTIN-GURNEY AND KHANH NGUYEN).

**Gunn Marie Hansen, Ph.D.
Superintendent**

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