

InstructionSummer Learning Programs

The Board of Education recognizes that summer learning programs provides valuable opportunities for students to improve their basic skills and make academic progress. To the extent that need is demonstrated and adequate funds are available, the Board may authorize the Superintendent or designee to establish summer learning opportunities during the day and/or evening classes for purposes of remediation, enrichment or acceleration in core academic subjects.

The Board of Education recognizes that an extended break from the instructional program may result in significant learning loss, especially among disadvantaged and low-achieving students, and desires to provide opportunities during the summer for students to practice essential skills and make academic progress.

Summer programs offered by the District shall be aligned with the District's local control and accountability plan (LCAP), other applicable District and school plans, and the educational program provided during the school year. When feasible, summer programs shall blend high-quality academic instruction in core curricular and/or elective subjects with recreation, nutrition programs, social and emotional development, and support services that encourage attendance, student engagement in learning, and student wellness.

At the elementary level, the District may offer instruction in any branches of study authorized and prescribed for elementary schools. (E.C. 51730) As appropriate, priority for enrollment in summer school programs shall be given to District students who:

1. Need course credits in order to graduate from high school before the beginning of the next school year
2. Have been retained or are at risk of being retained at their grade level
3. Demonstrate academic deficiencies in core curriculum areas
4. Sites for summer school programs may be rotated in an effort to make summer school programs more accessible to all students, regardless of residence or regular attendance area, and to accommodate the maintenance needs of District schools.

The remaining openings shall be offered to other District students on a first-come first-served basis.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board on summer school enrollment in the current year and previous year for the program as a whole and disaggregated by grade level, school that the students attend during the regular school year, and student population.

Additional Summer Learning Opportunities

The Superintendent or designee may collaborate with parents/guardians, city and county agencies, community organizations, child care providers, and/or other interested persons to develop, implement, and build awareness of organized activities that support summer learning.

Strategies to support summer learning may include, but are not limited to:

1. Providing information to students and parents/guardians about summer reading programs scheduled to be conducted by public libraries or community organizations
2. Collaborating with the local parks and recreation agency and/or community organizations to provide day camps, sports programs, or other opportunities for physical education and activity
3. Collaborating with workforce development agencies, businesses, and community organizations to provide summer job training opportunities that include an academic component
4. Encouraging reading in the home, such as providing lists of recommended reading to students and parents/guardians, establishing a target number of books or pages, and providing prizes for achievement of reading goals
5. Assigning summer vacation homework in core curricular subject(s) for extra credit
6. Conducting occasional, interactive "fun days" during the summer to provide activities related to art, music, science, technology, mathematics, environmental science, multicultural education, debate, or other subjects
7. Arranging opportunities for community service

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

8482-8484.6 After School Education and Safety Program

8484.7-8484.9 21st Century Community Learning Centers

37252-37253.5 Supplemental instructional

39837 Transportation to summer employment programs

41505-41508 Pupil Retention Block Grant

41976.5 Summer school programs, substantially disabled persons or graduating high school seniors

48070-48070.5 Promotion and retention

51210 Areas of study for elementary schools

51220 Areas of study for grades 1-6

51730-51732 Powers of governing boards (authorization for elementary summer school classes)

52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan

54444.3 Summer program for migrant students

56345 Extended-year program for special education students

58700-58702 Credit towards summer school apportionments for tutoring and homework assistance program

58806 Summer school apportionments

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3043 Extended school year, special education students