LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy 6164.3

Instruction

Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education

The Board of Education desires to provide a high quality education for all students, including those with disabilities. The Board recognizes that all individuals with disabilities have the right to receive a free and appropriate public education.

The district shall provide special education instruction and services for individuals with exceptional needs in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Modifications and/or special services and aids shall also be provided as needed forstudents who are eligible for services under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Actof 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act and related federal regulations.

In order to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities and employ staff with adequate expertise for this purpose, the district participates as a member of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA). The SELPA shall administer a local plan and administer the allocation of funds.

The superintendent or designee shall extend the district's full cooperation to the SELPA. The policies and procedures of the SELPA shall be applied as policies and regulations of this district, with the exception of those that apply to complaints, unless the local planspecifically authorizes the district to operate under its own policies and regulations.

In accordance with selection procedures described in the SELPA plan, the Board shall appoint district representatives to the SELPA's community advisory committee. This committee shall make suggestions for the development, amendment and review of the local plan, recommend annual priorities, promote parent/guardian and community involvement, assist in parent/guardian education, and support activities on behalf of individuals with exceptional needs.

Information shall be provided concerning the number of individuals with exceptionalneeds who are being provided special education and related services. (Ed. Code-56195.8) This information may be included as part of the SELPA plan.

Legal references:	<u>– Education Code</u>
	56000-56001 Education for individuals with exceptional needs
	56020-56035 Definitions
	56040-56042 General provisions
	56190-56194 Community advisory committees

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