

Santa Barbara Unified School District

Administrative Regulation

AR 5020.1

Students

PARENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – ENGLISH LEARNERS

Parent/Guardian Rights – English Learners

A parent or guardian's lack of English fluency does not preclude a parent or guardian from exercising the rights outlined in Administrative Regulation 5020, "Parent Rights and Responsibilities." The district shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that all parents and guardians or pupils who speak a language other than English are properly notified in English and in their home language. (Education Code 48985)

Parents and guardians of English learners are entitled to participate in the education of their children in accordance with Education Code 51101 and as follows:

1. To receive the results of their child's performance on standardized tests, including the English language development test. (Education Code 51101.1)
2. To be given any required written notification, under applicable law, in English and the pupil's home language. (Education Code 51101.1)
3. To participate in school and district advisory bodies in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations. (Education Code 51101.1)
4. To support their children's advancement toward literacy.

School personnel shall encourage parents and guardians of English learners to support their child's progress toward literacy both in English and, to the extent possible, in the child's home language. (Education Code 51101.1 and 60510)

(cf. 3270 - Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies)

5. To be informed, through the school accountability report card, about statewide and local academic standards, testing programs, accountability measures and school improvement efforts (Education Code 51101.1)

(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)

(cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts)

6. To participate as a member of a parent advisory committee, school site council or site-based management leadership team in accordance with any rules and regulations governing membership in these organizations.
For parents/guardians of English learners, this right shall include the right to participate in school and district advisory bodies in accordance with federal and state law and regulations. (Education Code 51101.1)

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

(cf. 0420.5 - School-Based Decision Making)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)

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