

Santa Barbara Unified School District

Board Policy

BP 5123

Students

PROMOTION/ACCELERATION/RETENTION

The Governing Board expects students to progress through each grade level within one school year. To accomplish this, instruction should accommodate the variety of ways that students learn and include strategies for addressing academic deficiencies when needed.

Students shall progress through the grade levels by demonstrating growth in learning and meeting grade-level standards of expected student achievement.

(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

When high academic achievement is evident, the Superintendent or designee may recommend a student for acceleration into a higher grade level. The student's maturity level shall be taken into consideration in making a determination to accelerate a student.

As early as possible in the school year, the Superintendent or designee shall identify students who should be retained and who are at risk of being retained in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation, and the following criteria.

Students shall be identified on the basis of the assessment results on the state's Standardized Testing and Reporting Program and the minimum levels of proficiency recommended by the State Board of Education and, in addition, local assessments and grades.

(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)

When any student in grades 2-9 is retained or recommended for retention, the Superintendent or designee shall offer programs of direct, systematic, and intensive supplemental instruction in accordance with Education Code 37252.2 and Board policy.

(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

37252-37254.1	<i>Supplemental instruction</i>
41505-41508	<i>Pupil Retention Block Grant</i>
46300	<i>Method of computing ADA</i>
48011	<i>Promotion/retention following one year of kindergarten</i>
48070-48070.5	<i>Promotion and retention</i>
48431.6	<i>Required systematic review of students and grading</i>

56345 *Elements of individualized education plan*
60641-60648 *Standardized Testing and Reporting Program*
60850-60859 *Exit examination*
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
200-202 *Admission and exclusion of students*

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES

0900.90 *Changes in Law Concerning Eligibility for Admission to Kindergarten 90-10*

CDE PUBLICATIONS

Performance Level Tables for the California Standards Tests and the California Alternative Performance Assessment

Parental Agreement Form: Agreement for Pupil to Continue in Kindergarten

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S OPINION

Promotion and Retention #21610

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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