# Students

# **Child Care and Development**

The Governing Board desires to provide child care and development services which meet the developmental needs of children and offer a convenient child care alternative for parents/guardians in the community.

The Governing Board shall enter into a contract with the California Department of Education (CDE) for the provision of child care and development services by the El Dorado County Office of Education (EDCOE).

EDCOE shall work cooperatively with the local child care and development planning council, public and private agencies, parents/guardians, and other community members to assess child care needs in the community, establish program priorities, obtain ongoing feedback on program quality, and supply information about child care options.

The Governing Board shall approve for EDCOE's child care and development program a written philosophical statement, goals, and objectives that reflect the cultural and linguistic characteristics of the families to be served and address the program components specified in 5 CCR 18272-18281 and the accompanying administrative regulation. (5 CCR 18271)

### **Eligibility and Enrollment**

Child care admissions policies and procedures shall be in writing and available to the public. Such policies and procedures shall include criteria designating those children whose needs can be met by the child care center's program and services, the ages of children who will be accepted, program activities, any supplementary services provided, any field trip provisions, any transportation arrangements, food service provisions, and health examination requirements. (5 CCR 18105; 22 CCR 101218)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that subsidized child care is provided to eligible families to the extent that state and/or federal funding is available and shall establish enrollment priorities in accordance with Education Code 8263 and 5 CCR 18106.

# Staffing

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that individuals working in child care and development programs have the necessary qualifications and have satisfied all legal requirements.

# **Facilities**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent or designee, the Board may approve any of the following for the provision of child care and development services:

- 1. The use of existing EDCOE facilities that have capacity
- 2. Renovation or improvement of EDCOE facilities to make them suitable for such services
- 3. Purchase of relocatable child care facilities
- 4. Inclusion of child care facilities in any new construction
- 5. Agreement with a public agency or community organization for the use of community facilities

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that facilities used for child care services meet all applicable health and safety standards.

### Complaints

For a licensed child care center, any complaint alleging health and safety violations shall be referred to the California Department of Social Services. For a license-exempt facility, such complaints shall be referred to the appropriate Child Development regional administrator. Any other alleged violation of state or federal laws governing child care and development programs shall be investigated and resolved using EDCOE's procedures in BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

### **Program Evaluation**

The Superintendent or designee shall annually conduct an evaluation of EDCOE's child care and development services in accordance with state requirements. The evaluation report shall be submitted to the Governing Board and the CDE along with an action plan which establishes program goals and objectives for the coming year and addresses any areas identified as needing improvement.

# Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

8200-8499.10 Child Care and Development Services Act, especially:

8200-8209 General provisions for child care and development services

8210-8216 Resource and referral program

8220-8226 Alternative payment program

8230-8233 Migrant child care and development program

8235-8239 California state preschool program

8240-8244 General child care programs

8250-8252 Programs for children with special needs

8263 Eligibility and priorities for subsidized child development services

8263.3 Disenrollment of families due to reduced funding levels

8263.4 Enrollment of students ages 11-12 years

8273-8273.3 Fees

8278.3 Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund

8360-8370 Personnel qualifications

8400-8409 Contracts

8482-8484.65 After-school education and safety program

8484.7-8484.8 21st Century community learning centers

8493-8498 Facilities

8499-8499.7 Local planning councils

49540-49546 Child care food program

49570 National School Lunch program

56244 Staff development funding

**HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE** 

1596.70-1596.895 California Child Day Care Act

1596.90-1597.21 Day care centers

120325-120380 Immunization requirements

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CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
4610-4687 Uniform complaint procedures
18000-18434 Child care and development programs, especially:
18012-18122 General requirements
18180-18192 Federal and state migrant programs
18210-18213 Severely handicapped program
18220-18231 Alternative payment program
18240-18248 Resource and referral program
18270-18281 Program quality, accountability
18290-18292 Staffing ratios
18295 Waiver of qualifications for site supervisor
18300-18308 Appeals and dispute resolution
80105-80125 Commission on Teacher Credentialing, child care and development permits
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22
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101151-101239.2 General requirements, licensed child care centers, especially:

101151-101163 Licensing and application procedures

101212-101231 Continuing requirements

101237-101239.2 Facilities and equipment

**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 

1751-1769j National School Lunch Program

9831-9852 Head Start programs

9858-9858q Child care and development block grant

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 7

210.1-210.31 National School Lunch program

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 45

98.2-98.93 Child care and development fund

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