

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

Policy: Program Transfers

(3208 BP)

According to California Education Code Section 56207, special education programs and services may be transferred from the county superintendent of schools to school districts, from school districts to the county office of education, and from one school district to another. For the purpose of this policy, school district includes charter schools that are a local educational agency for purposes of providing special education and related services to individuals with exceptional needs. However, no special education programs and/services already in operation in school districts or a county office of education may be transferred unless a SELPA has developed a plan for the transfer which addresses, at a minimum, all of the following:

- (1) Pupil needs.
- (2) The availability of the full continuum of services to the affected pupils.
- (3) The functional continuation of the current individualized education programs of all affected pupils.
- (4) The provision of services in the least restrictive environment from which affected pupils can benefit.
- (5) The maintenance of all appropriate support services.
- (6) The assurance that there will be compliance with all federal and state laws and regulations and SELPA policies and procedures.
- (7) The means through which parents and staff were represented in the planning process.

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56207 Elements of the Local Plan: State Requirements