

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

- 6000 SPECIAL EDUCATION - INSTRUCTION
  
- 6300 INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING AND INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM
  
- 6312 Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)

A free appropriate public education shall be made available to all students with disabilities residing within the districts that comprise the Santa Barbara County SELPA, including students with disabilities who have been suspended or expelled from school.

Free appropriate public education means special education and related services that:

1. Have been provided at public expense, under public supervision and direction and without charge;
2. Meets the standards established by state or federal law;
3. Include an appropriate preschool, elementary, or secondary school education in California; and
4. Are provided in conformity with the individualized education program required under state and federal law.

A determination that a student is in need of special education shall be based on an appropriate assessment(s). All special education and related services determined by the Individualized Education Program Team to be necessary for a student to benefit from his or her instructional program shall be listed on the IEP. Each local education agency within the SBCSELPA shall assure that each student with a disability for whom it is responsible is provided with special education services in accordance with the student's IEP.

(EDUCATION CODE SECTION 56205(a) and  
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5, SECTION 3001(o))

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