

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Instruction**  
**INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The County Superintendent and County Board desire to provide full educational opportunities to all students with exceptional needs. Students with exceptional needs shall receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE) and, to the maximum extent possible, shall be educated in the least restrictive environment with students without exceptional needs.

For each student with exceptional needs, an individualized education program (IEP) shall be developed which identifies the special education instruction and related services to be provided to the student. The County Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations regarding the membership of the IEP team, the team's responsibility to develop and regularly review the IEP, the contents of the IEP, and the development, review, and revision processes.

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**Legal Reference**

Education Code

56055 Rights of foster parents pertaining to foster child's education  
56136 Guidelines for low incidence disabilities areas  
56195.8 Adoption of policies  
56321 Notice of parental rights; consent of parents  
56321.5 Notice to include right to electronically record  
56340.1-56347 Instructional planning and individualized education program  
56350-56352 IEP for visually impaired students  
56380 IEP reviews; notice of right to request  
56390-56392 Recognition for educational achievement, special education  
56500-56509 Procedural safeguards

Family Code

6500-6502 Age of majority

Government Code

7572.5 Seriously emotionally disturbed child, expanded IEP team

Welfare and Institutions Code

601 Minors habitually disobedient

Code of Regulations, Title 5

853-853.5 State assessments, accommodations  
3021-3029 Identification, referral and assessment  
3040-3043 Instructional planning and the individualized education program  
3051-3053 Implementation of the individualized education program

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United States Code, Title 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 34

300.1-300.818 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

Court Decisions

Marshall v. Monrovia Unified School District, (9th Circuit, 2010) 627 F.3d 773

Schaffer v. Weast (2005) 125 S. Ct. 528

Shapiro v. Paradise Valley Unified School District, No. 69 (9th Circuit, 2003) 317 F.3d 1072

Sacramento City School District v. Rachel H. (9th Cir. 1994) 14 F.3d 1398

Endrew F. v. Douglas County School District Re-1, 137 S. Ct. 988

Attorney General Opinions

85 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 157 (2002)

**Management Resources**

Websites

U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services:  
<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osep>