Instruction
REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CENTER/PROGRAM

The County Superintendent and County Board desire to provide opportunities for students of County Superintendent/County Board schools to receive specialized training and career technical skills through a regional occupational center or program (ROC/P) that prepares them for employment, advanced training, or postsecondary education.

The County Superintendent or designee shall refer eligible students to an ROC/P that has been established by the County Superintendent of Schools and is under the governance of the County Board of Education. (Education Code 52301, 52310.5)

The County Superintendent and County Board or designee shall ensure that students of County Superintendent/County Board schools receive a high-quality career technical program. The County Superintendent or designee shall identify appropriate means to provide input into ROC/P program development, budget adoption, program evaluation, and other matters.

Student Eligibility and Participation

To enroll in the ROC/P on a part-time or full-time basis, a County Superintendent/County Board high school or adult student must have his/her admittance approved by the ROC/P based on a determination that he/she will benefit from the program. To be eligible, a student must be at least 16 years of age, unless he/she meets one of the conditions specified in Education Code 52314. (Education Code 52314, 52314.5, 52315)

Adult students may have access to ROC/P classes offered on high school campuses during the school day.

A student who is attending an ROC/P may be exempted from the County Superintendent/County Board physical education requirement in accordance with law, County Superintendent/County Board policy, and administrative regulation. (Education Code 48410, 52316)

Credits earned from courses completed in an ROC/P may be applied toward fulfillment of high school graduation course requirements. (Education Code 51225.3, 52310)

Student Services

The County Superintendent may provide or arrange for transportation to the ROC/P in accordance with law, County Superintendent/County Board policy, and administrative regulation.

The County Superintendent academic counseling program shall be designed to increase students' awareness of available educational options aligned with their career goals, including, as appropriate, career technical programs offered through the ROC/P.
Program Evaluation

The County Board shall annually hold a public hearing to review and assess the participation of students in grades 11-12 in the ROC/P and the annual plan to increase participation of students in this program, unless it is determined that there are no additional students who would benefit from this participation. (Education Code 52304.1)

The County Board also shall review student achievement data for participating students.

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Legal Reference

Education Code
1205 Classification of counties
37223 Weekend classes
39807.5 Transportation to ROC/P, parent/guardian payment
41850 Transportation to ROC/P, apportionments
44910 Permanent employment status; preclusion of ROC/P service
46140 Attendance credit
46300 Computation of average daily attendance
48410 Exemption from compulsory continuation education
48430-48433 Continuation education, ROC/P classes
51225.3 Requirements for graduation
52300-52335.12 Regional occupational centers/programs
60900 California longitudinal student achievement data system

Government Code
6500-6536 Joint powers agreements

Labor Code
3368 Workers’ compensation, responsibility in jointly operated ROC/P

Unemployment Insurance Code
15037.1 Education and job training, performance accountability

Code of Regulations, Title 5
10080-10092 Community classrooms
10100-10111 Cooperative vocational education
11500-11508 Regional occupational centers and programs

United States Code, Title 20
2301-2414 Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act
Management Resources

California Department of Education Publications
2008-2012 State Plan for Career Technical Education
Regional Occupational Centers and Programs Operations Handbook March 2008
Model Programs and Practices: Setting Standards for Regional Occupational Centers and Programs (ROCPs), rev. October 2007
Career Technical Education Framework for California Public Schools, Grades Seven Through Twelve, January 2007
California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards, Grades Seven Through Twelve, May 2005

Websites
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
Association for Career and Technical Education: http://www.acteonline.org
California Association of Regional Occupational Centers and Programs: http://www.carocp.org
California Department of Education, ROC/P: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/rp
Commission on Teacher Credentialing: http://www.ctc.ca.gov

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