

Esparto Unified School District

**DISTRICT EXPULSION PLAN
AB 922 COMPLIANCE
2006-2009**

Educational Alternatives Available to Expelled Pupils

The following alternatives available to the administration for the assignment of pupils expelled by the Esparto Joint Unified School District.

Pupils expelled from grades K-6

Pupils who are in grades K-6 who are expelled do not have the same educational options as do their grades 7-12 counterparts. Pupils in grades K-6 are also expelled at a much lower rate than pupils in grades 7-12. These two factors, together with the requirements that educational services for pupils in grades K-6 cannot be merged or combined with services to pupils in grades 7-12 and cannot include an independent study option make it very difficult to identify an educational placement for the expelled pupil in grades K-6.

Pupils who are expelled and because of the seriousness of the offense are incarcerated in the Yolo County Juvenile Hall will receive educational services through Dan Jacobs School in the Hall. Other existing options for K-6 expelled pupils include:

- Suspended expulsion, (at the expelling district's option)
- Application to a private school
- Application to a district from which the pupil has not been expelled. District may accept student on a case by case basis.
- Application to Community Day School in the Woodland Joint Unified School District. The district may accept students on a case by case basis.

None of these options are obligatory upon schools expelling pupils or receiving expelled pupils.

Pupils expelled from grades 7-12

Pursuant to Education Code Section 1980, the Yolo County Office of Education offers educational alternatives to expelled pupils through its court and community schools serving pupils in grades 7-12 at the following sites:

- Midtown School in Woodland.
- Yolo County Conservation Partnership program located in Woodland.
(For students over 16 years of age and on formal probation)
- Dan Jacobs School located in the Yolo County Juvenile Hall (for incarcerated pupils).

The following alternatives are available to the parent(s) and/or pupil expelled from the Esparto Joint Unified School District.

- Application to a district from which the pupil has not been expelled, unless student has committed a violent act in which case district may deny admission.
- Application to a private school.

Special Education

An individual with exceptional needs, as defined in Section 56026, may be suspended or expelled from school in accordance with subsection (k) of Section 1415 of Title 20 of the United States Code, the discipline provisions contained in Sections 300.519 through 300.529 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and other provisions of this part that do not conflict with federal law and regulations.

A free appropriate public education for individuals with exceptional needs suspended or expelled from school shall be in accordance with paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Section 1412 of Title 20 of the United States Code and subsection (d) of Section 300.121 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

The district acknowledges its responsibilities for matters involving pupils currently enrolled in any Special Education program who are being recommended for expulsion. These include:

- Holding an IEP meeting during which the team addresses whether or not the misconduct was caused by, or a direct manifestation of, the pupils identified disability.

- Determination as to whether the pupil had been appropriately placed at the time of the misconduct
- The IEP team will also determine the appropriate Special Education services to be provided by the district during the period of expulsion. If special education services are warranted, SELPA will provide personnel to deliver Special Education services to students in alternative education settings due to expulsion.

Alternative Placements for Pupils who fail Community Day School

Under Education Code Section 48660, school districts have the option to operate Community Day Schools to serve their expelled pupils. These schools must operate in accord with all regulations included in Section 48660. In the event that school districts in Yolo County elect to operate Community Day Schools, an alternative must be in place for pupils who fail their placement in district Community Day Schools.

The Community school program operated by the Yolo County Office of Education is available to pupils in grades 7-12 who have been expelled from their district of residence and exhausted the alternatives offered by the district.