

**CLOVIS UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

INSTRUCTION

Alternative/Specialized Programs

APPOINTMENT OF SURROGATE PARENT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

PURPOSE: To comply with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) (20 U.S.C. §§ 1400-1482) regarding the appointment of surrogate parents for students with disabilities.

To protect the rights of students with disabilities, the Superintendent or designee shall appoint a surrogate parent to represent a student with a disability as necessary in accordance with law. He/she shall develop procedures for recruiting, training, and assigning adults to serve as surrogate parents.

Before individuals are appointed as surrogate parents, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that they have passed a fingerprint screening and have demonstrated interest and skill in working with students with disabilities, sensitivity to ethnic and cultural factors, and the ability to work cooperatively with others.

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EDUCATION CODE

56028 Parent

56050 Surrogate parents

GOVERNMENT CODE

7570-7587 Interagency responsibilities for providing services to disabled children, especially:

7579.5 Surrogate parent; appointment; qualifications; liability

7579.6 Appointment of surrogate for child who is ward of the state or an unaccompanied homeless youth

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

300 Children subject to jurisdiction

361 Limitations on parental control

601 Minors habitually disobedient or truant

602 Minors violating laws

726 Limitations on parental control

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, especially:

1415 Procedural safeguards

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

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CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

300.30 Definition parent

300.519 Surrogate parents

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