

**CLOVIS UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT****INSTRUCTION**

Alternative/Specialized Programs

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS OF CHOICE

PURPOSE: To provide an alternative educational program for students to meet District graduation requirements.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to establish an alternative school and educational program (Program) that provides an alternative opportunity for students to meet the District's graduation requirements.

The primary goal of the Program is to provide an alternative to regular classroom instruction consistent with the District's course of study to meet the educational needs of the student.

While the Program shall be located on the Gateway, Enterprise, and Clovis Community Day School High School campuses, the Program may be developed at appropriate off-site facilities and locations to accommodate the identified needs of students.

With the approval of the Superintendent or designee, students may have the opportunity to earn up to fifty credits per semester.

No student with exceptional needs, as defined in Education Code section 56026, may be enrolled in the Program unless the student's individualized education program specifically provides for such enrollment.

The Board approves the following alternative education schools and programs and authorizes the Superintendent to establish such additional programs as may be required to meet the individual educational needs of students within the authority of, and in compliance with, applicable laws:

1. Gateway High School (see A below).
2. Opportunity School (see B below).
3. Independent Study/Site-Based Independent Study Classes (see Board Policy No. 6158).
4. Home and Hospital Instruction (see Board Policy No. 6183).
5. Clovis Community Day Elementary and Secondary Schools (see Board Policy No. 6185).
6. Enterprise Independent Study.

**CLOVIS UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT****A. Gateway High School**

Curriculum and course study requirements are consistent with the District's course of study for all high schools. Instruction is structured to maximize the educational opportunity for all students regardless of individual needs and aid each student in acquiring an education within the framework of the student's abilities and educational needs. Students are enrolled in a flexible schedule devoted to small group instruction in a well supervised environment. The program is designed to provide students the opportunity to return to regular high school and graduate or to graduate from Gateway High School.

B. Opportunity School

The Opportunity School is available for those students who are in danger of being habitually truant or irregular in attendance, insubordinate or disorderly while in attendance, or who may benefit educationally from the individualized small group instruction available through the school program. The Opportunity School is conducted primarily for students in grades seven through grades nine (7 - 9) but may be available for students from kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12). The purpose of the Opportunity School is to improve conduct and to restore students to the regular school program.

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