

Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1 (Enrollment)

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What Enrollment Policies Are Before the Board Tonight?

- Board Policy 5116.1 and its related Administrative Regulation, which collectively govern enrollment priorities and timelines.
- Reminder:
 - Board policy sets high-level guidance on priorities.
 - Administrative regulation explains how staff will apply those priorities when actually enrolling students.

What Enrollment Policies Are Not Before the Board Tonight?

- Board Policy 5111 and its related Administrative Regulations, which govern documentation needed to establish residency and residency verification process.
- Required additional guidance:
 - Would be affected by any pilot program for Coast Guard
 - Would be affected if Board chose to extend some form of remote enrollment to non-Coast Guard families
 - Need confirmation on additional verification step
- A revised BP 5111 consistent with this additional guidance will be presented at a future meeting.

What Are the Proposed Changes to BP/AR 5116.1?

- Children of AUSD staff assigned to a school site given enrollment parity with zone resident students for that school
- Increased transparency for parents of zoned students seeking a seat at a school that is potentially over capacity
- Reorders provisions for clarity
- Updates language to conform to actual practice
- One important change in practice (not language): annual Board review of the policy

Enrollment Parity for Children of Site-Based AUSD Employees

- Authorized by Education Code § 35160.5(b)(3)(B), which permits districts to grant enrollment priority to a student seeking enrollment in a school if the student's "parent or legal guardian is assigned to that school as his or her primary place of employment."
- Site-specific:
 - Priority moves with employee if transferred
 - Applies same rules currently used if a zoned student moves into a different zone
 - Priority does not extend to other schools in feeder pattern
- Application limit: "No pupil who currently resides in the attendance area of a school shall be displaced by pupils transferring from outside the attendance area."
Education Code § 35160.5(b)(2)(C).

Enrollment Parity for Children of Site-Based AUSD Staff

- Priority in proposed revised BP/AR is slightly stronger than recommended by enrollment committee.
 - Committee recommended first priority after neighborhood residents.
 - BP/AR would give joint priority with neighborhood residents.
- Based on direction from Board:
 - Strong value that teachers find out if seats are available prior to deadline for notifying District whether they are renewing their employment contract (June 30).
 - If wait until after neighborhood residents, will not know until 15 days before start of school.

Increased Transparency for Zone Residents

- Covered in earlier presentation:
 - Notice of risk of diversion
 - Notice of place on wait list
 - For those who enroll before June 1, notice of diversion and new site assignment by the end of school
 - Summer enrollees get notice of diversion and new site assignment within five (5) business days
- Students may not be “double-diverted”
- Issue still remaining: how long must intradistrict transfer students be enrolled at the transfer school before attaining resident status?
 - Board sought more data before giving guidance
 - Can be incorporated into future revision

Questions?