



# INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE

**Piedmont Unified School District  
Special Board Meeting  
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# OVERVIEW

- Attendance options

- Intradistrict transfers

- Interdistrict transfers

- Romero Bill

- Employment-based (Allen Bill)

- Policy-based

- Options for District





# Intradistrict Attendance

- Education Code 35160.5

- BP/AR 5116.1

- Resident parents “may select” school of attendance (capacity/other factors are considered by District)

- No current students in attendance area may be displaced





# Intradistrict Attendance

- Education Code 35160.5
- BP/AR 5116.1
  - Requires capacity calculation
  - “Random, unbiased” selection process for requests that exceed capacity
  - Health and safety exception (documented proof must be provided)





# Interdistrict Attendance

- Open Enrollment Act (Romero Bill)
  - Ed Code Sections 48350-48361
  - AR 5117.1
    - Transfers from “Open Enrollment Schools” to higher performing schools
    - Must apply no sooner than December 1
    - Non-discriminatory application process
    - Once accepted, need not re-apply annually, but District will request annual IDT for State/District tracking purposes





# Interdistrict Attendance

- Open Enrollment Act (Romero Bill)

- Ed Code Sections 48350-48361

- AR 5117.1

- District not required, but may allow student to continue on to middle or high school





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ Open Enrollment Act (Romero Bill)

### □ Limitations:

- May not displace currently enrolled or resident students
- Capacity limitations
- Adverse financial impact





# Interdistrict Attendance

- Employment-Based Transfers (Allen Bill) (\*PUSD does not include all Allen Bill transfers under current Board Policy)
  - Ed Code 48204
    - Student may be deemed a resident if one parent/guardian is physically employed within boundaries of the District
    - As of January 1, 2012: Employment must be at least 10 hours during school week





# Interdistrict Attendance

- Employment-Based Transfers (Allen Bill)

- Ed Code 48204

- May not be denied initial admission based on race, gender, parental income, other arbitrary considerations
- Once admitted, no reapplication required, but District will require annual IDT for State/District tracking purposes
- Parent must maintain employment





# Interdistrict Attendance

- Discretionary

- Ed Code 46601

- BP/AR 5117





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ Education Code Requirements

- District “may provide” for admission of students whose parents reside in another district per guidelines in Board Policy
- District stipulates terms and conditions for application (typically, annual) approval, denial, revocation
- Denial (only) subject to appeal to county





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ Education Code Requirements

### □ Recent changes

- Terms and conditions to be memorialized in agreements between/among districts
- Must include conditions for revocation
- PUSD requires annual reapplication for State/District tracking purposes





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ Education Code Requirements

### □ Recent changes

- In no event may sending or receiving district “rescind” permit for students “entering grade 11 or 12 in the subsequent school year”





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ BP/AR 5117

### □ Categories of students currently eligible for interdistrict attendance

- Parents constructing or remodeling a Piedmont home, with required proof of documents
- Parents purchasing a home in Piedmont
- High school seniors relocating after junior year





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ BP/AR 5117

Categories of students currently eligible for interdistrict attendance (con't)

■ Children of PUSD employees

Must be employed 40% of full-time, or paraeducator for 10 hours per week

■ Children of full-time Piedmont city government employees

Currently, fourteen slots held



# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ BP/AR 5117

- Categories of students currently eligible for interdistrict attendance (con't)
  - Residents of Calvert Court (due to ingress/egress only thru Piedmont)
  - Residences on approved split-parcel properties
  - Millennium High School





# Interdistrict Attendance

- BP/AR 5117

- Limitations

- “Adverse” financial impact

- Capacity





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ BP/AR 5117

### Requirements for continuing enrollment

- Satisfactory academics
- Satisfactory attendance
- Satisfactory citizenship





# Interdistrict Attendance

## ■ Miscellaneous

- Safety-based transfers (with documented proof)
- Special education
  - Intra-SELPA placements





# 2011-2012 Statistics

Transfer Category	Number of Students
District Employees	131
City Employees	9
Seniors	4
Romero Bill	0
Safety	3
Millennium High School	36
SELPA Placement	1
Calvert Court	4
Building Home	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>190</b>



# Financial Impact

Revenue Source	Student A (Piedmont Resident)	Student B (Interdistrict Transfer)
Non-Local Revenue (Federal/State)	\$6000 on average	\$6000 on average
Local Revenue (Parcel Tax, Fundraising)	\$5000 on average	-
Total Revenue	\$11,000	\$6000

## Sally Smith ... a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade interdistrict transfer student is admitted

Scenario #1	Scenario #2	Scenario #3
<p>She is the <u>19<sup>th</sup> student</u> in her 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No additional teacher needed</li> <li>- \$6000 in revenue is sufficient</li> </ul>	<p>She is the <u>25<sup>th</sup> student</u> in her 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Additional teacher is needed</li> <li>- \$6000 in revenue is not sufficient</li> </ul>	<p>Has been determined as requiring spec ed services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Services required (e.g., speech, occupational therapy, academic support, etc.)</li> <li>- \$6000 in revenue is not sufficient</li> </ul>





# CONSIDERATION OF INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE FOR GRANDCHILDREN OF PIEDMONT RESIDENTS





# DISCUSSION POINTS


## ■ Definition of “Grandparent”

- Property owner? Also resident?  
Duration of residency? Proof of residency?

## ■ Definition of “Grandchild”

- Prior history?
- Blended families? Legally and non-legally binding relationships?





# DISCUSSION POINTS

- Priority in relation to other categories
- Capacity Issues
- Revocation
- Transportation
- Others?



# NEXT STEPS



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