SANTA CLARA COUNTY
NORTH WEST SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTIONS AND FOSTER FAMILY HOMES

Licensed Children's Institutions

This policy applies to student placement in Licensed Children's Institutions (LCIs) by a court, regional center, or public agency other than a local educational agency (LEA), pursuant to Education Code §56155 et seq. Students placed in LCIs by an LEA, a parent or a non-public source are not covered by this policy, as such students remain the responsibility of the student's district of residence.

If an LCI student is enrolled in a non-public school (NPS) or a Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) alternative school program, that student is the educational responsibility of the SCCOE. For students enrolled in programs other than an NPS or an SCCOE alternative school program, the district where the LCI is located is the LEA responsible for the student's educational program.

Foster Family Homes

Students with disabilities who are placed in a foster family home as defined in Education Code 56155.5(b) are the educational responsibility of the district in which the foster family home is located unless the student remains in his/her "school of origin" under Education Code 48853.5. In the case of "school of origin" attendance, the district in which the school of origin is located retains educational responsibility for the student. If transportation for a "school of origin" student is required as a related service in the student's IEP, and both the LEA where the foster family home is located and the LEA that maintains the school of origin are members of this SELPA, the involved LEAs will share responsibility for the cost and/or provision of the required transportation.

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