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To Board of Education

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Meeting Date April 24, 2024

Subject Amendment to Board Policy 5125: Student Records

Ask of the Board Approval by the Board of Education of the new Board Policy 5125: Student Records related to the 2024-2027 Oakland Unified SELPA Part B Special Education Local Plan

Background The California Department of Education requires that each Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) create, adopt and implement a Local Plan, Annual Budget Plan, and Annual Service plan. The Local Plan must be revised every three years, and it contains detailed information about the operations, procedures and governance structures of the SELPA. Part B of the Local Plan requires review of board policies related to serving students with disabilities to assure conformity with Title 20 *United States Code (USC)* and in accordance with Title 34 *Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)* Section 300.201.

Discussion We ask that the Board approve the amendment to Board Policy 5125 Student Records to assure that Oakland Unified Board Policies align with language required by the California Department of Education (CDE) related to the Special Education Local Plan.

Fiscal Impact No Fiscal Impact. Will use existing Special Education funds. Funds can be withheld by the California Department of Education (CDE) if the plan is not adopted in a timely manner.

Attachment(s)

- BP 5125 Student Records (Redline)
- BP 5125 Student Records (Clean)

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy

Students

BP 5125

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District employees shall not provide information about an individual student's disciplinary history to any unauthorized person or entity unless (1) required by law or (2) upon the written consent of the parent or guardian of a minor student or the student's written consent if the student is not a minor.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)

(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)

(cf. 5125.3 - Challenging Student Records)

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(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

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22584-22585 Student Online Personal Information Protection Act

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CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 16

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Management Resources:

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