POLICY 29

RESOURCE SPECIALIST PROGRAM CASELOADS

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In accordance with Education Code 56362(c), no resource specialist shall have a caseload which exceeds 28 pupils.

For the purposes of Education Code 56362, “caseload” shall include, but not be limited to, all pupils for whom the resource specialist performs any of the following services:

1) Provision for a resource specialist or specialists who shall provide instruction and services for those pupils whose needs have been identified in an individualized education program developed by the individualized education program team and who are assigned to regular classroom teachers for a majority of a school day.

2) Provision of information and assistance to individuals with exceptional needs and their parents.

3) Provision of consultation, resource information, and material regarding individuals with exceptional needs to their parents and to regular staff members.

4) Coordination of special education services with the regular school programs for each individual with exceptional needs enrolled in the resource specialist program.

5) Monitoring of pupil progress on a regular basis, participation in the review and revision of individualized education programs, as appropriate, and referral of pupils who do not demonstrate appropriate progress to the individualized education program team.

6) Emphasis at the secondary school level on academic achievement, career and vocational development, and preparation for adult life.

A school district, SELPA, county office of education, or any other public agency providing special education or related services may request the State Board of Education to grant a waiver of the maximum resource specialist caseload pursuant to the California Code of Regulations, Section 3100.