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### **At-Risk Students**

The Superintendent or designee shall identify factors that place students at risk, including but not limited to poverty, homelessness, neglect, abuse, poor health and nutrition, pregnancy, potential language and cultural barriers, substance abuse, gang membership or delinquency, changing family structure, cognitive, emotional and other disabilities, and behavioral problems.

District strategies for addressing the needs of at-risk students may include but are not limited to:

- 1. Instruction that is responsive to individual student needs, interests and learning styles
- (cf. 6000 Concepts and Roles)
- (cf. 6151 Class Size)
- (cf. 6159 Individualized Education Program)
- (cf. 6164.6 Identification and Education under Section 504)
- 2. Curricula and instructional materials that are relevant and meaningful for students
- (cf. 6030 Integrated Academic and Vocational Instruction)
- (cf. 6141 Curriculum Development and Evaluation)
- 3. Integration of the core and supplemental educational programs
- (cf. 0420.1 School-Based Program Coordination)
- (cf. 0420.2 School Improvement Program)
- (cf. 0420.3 School-Based Student Motivation and Maintenance Program)
- (cf. 6171 Title I Programs)
- (cf. 6172 Gifted and Talented Student Program)
- (cf. 6174 Education for English Language Learners)
- (cf. 6175 Migrant Education Program)
- 4. Establishment and maintenance of a safe, positive school climate
- (cf. 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan)
- (cf. 5137 Positive School Climate)
- (cf. 5144 Discipline)

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- 5. Availability of effective support services
- (cf. 1020 Youth Services)
- (cf. 5141.6 School-Based Health and Social Services)
- (cf. 6164.2 Guidance/Counseling Services)
- 6. Collaboration with other agencies and community organizations in the delivery of services for children and families
- (cf. 1400 Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
- 7. Parent support and involvement and/or parent education
- (cf. 6020 Parent Involvement)
- 8. Efforts to increase student attendance
- (cf. 5113 Absences and Excuses)
- 9. Availability of resources targeted to meet the needs of at-risk students
- (cf. 3100 Budget)
- 10. Staff development on the identification of student needs and strategies for addressing those needs
- (cf. 4131 Staff Development)
- (cf. 4231 Staff Development)
- (cf. 4331 Staff Development)
- 11. Adult-student connections and activities to help students develop a sense of belonging at school
- (cf. 1240 Volunteer Assistance)
- (cf. 6164.5 Student Study Teams)
- 12. Additional instructional assistance, especially efforts that can accelerate learning to help students meet grade-level standards

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- 13. Alternative programs
- (cf. 6158 Independent Study)
- (cf. 6181 Alternative Schools)
- (cf. 6182 Opportunity School/Class/Program)
- (cf. 6183 Home and Hospital Instruction)
- (cf. 6184 Continuation Education)
- (cf. 6185 Community Day School)
- 14. Ongoing assessment of student outcomes and accountability for student learning
- 15. Regular evaluation of the effectiveness of programs designed to assist at-risk students
- (cf. 6190 Evaluation of the Instructional Program)
- (cf. 9000 Role of the Board)
- 16. Advocacy at the local, state and/or national levels to improve the conditions of children and families