

Certificated Personnel

PERSONNEL REDUCTION

The Board of Trustees may reduce the number of probationary and permanent certificated employees when, in the opinion of the Board, one or more of the following conditions makes such reduction necessary:

1. Average daily attendance (ADA) in all of the schools in the district during the first six months of the school year has declined below the level for the same period in either of the previous two school years. (Education Code 44955)
2. A particular kind of service is to be reduced or discontinued not later than the beginning of the following school year. (Education Code 44955)
3. Attendance in the district will decline in the following year as a result of the termination of an interdistrict tuition agreement. (Education Code 44955)
4. An amendment of state law requires modification of the curriculum. (Education Code 44955)
5. The state Budget Act reveals that the district's total revenue limit per ADA for the fiscal year of that Budget Act has not increased by at least two percent. (Education Code 44955.5)

All reductions are subject to collective bargaining agreements and state codes.

Special Procedure Based Upon Late Adoption of the State Budget

When the Board, during the time period between five days after enactment of the Budget Act and August 15, determines that the total revenue limit per ADA has not increased by at least two percent and that the district therefore needs to reduce the number of certificated staff pursuant to Education Code 44955.5, the Board shall adopt a schedule of notice and hearings and the district shall otherwise proceed pursuant to Education Code 44949 and 44955. (Education Code 44955.5)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 44830 Employment of certificated persons
- 44949 Dismissal of probationary employees
- 44955 Reduction in number of permanent employees
- 44955.5 Termination of certificated employees
- 44956-44959.5 Rights of employees

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 3543.2 Scope of representation

PERSONNEL REDUCTION (continued)

COURT DECISIONS

California Teachers Association v. Vallejo City Unified School District, (2007) 149 Cal.App.4th 135

Bakersfield Elementary Teachers Association v. Bakersfield City School District, (2006) 145 Cal.App.4th 1260

Cousins v. Weaverville Elementary School District, (1994) 24 Cal.App.4th 1846

Forker v. Board of Trustees, (1984) 160 Cal.App.3d 13

Moreland Teachers Assoc. v. Kurze, (1980) 109 Cal.App.3d 648

King v. Berkeley Unified School District, (1979) 89 Cal.App.3d 1016

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

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