

WEEKEND/SATURDAY CLASSES

The Superintendent or designee may provide weekend instruction, as needed, for any of the following:

1. Classes in subjects offered during the regular school week.
2. Continuation classes.
3. Classes for mentally gifted minors, chapter I, migrant, etc.
4. Makeup classes for unexcused absences occurring during the week.
5. The programs of a regional occupation center or regional occupation program.

Attendance at weekend classes shall be voluntary. (Education Code 37223)

However, the principal or designee may require truants to attend makeup classes on one day of a weekend in order to make up lost instructional time. (Education Code 37223)

The student shall be excused from the weekend class if it is held on a day when such attendance would be in conflict with his/her religious beliefs. (Education Code 48205)

Because weekend attendance must not result in crediting any student with more than five days of attendance per week, truant makeup classes should be completed at the end of the week in which the absences occurred.

Supplementary Instruction in Small Classes

The Governing Board encourages schools with low academic performance to offer Saturday classes of supplementary instruction in core academic subjects, in other courses that provide credit toward high school graduation, and in programs for students in grades 7-12 who have been assessed as not meeting district standards of proficiency in basic skills.

Such classes shall have an average student/teacher ratio of not more than 20 to one. Saturday instruction shall not exceed three hours, and student attendance shall be voluntary. (Education Code 42239.5)

When enrolling in the regular summer school program, students unable to attend Saturday classes for religious reasons shall have priority over students who have attended Saturday classes. (Education Code 42239.5)

(cf. 6177 - Summer School)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

37223 Weekend classes

41601 Reports of average daily attendance

42239 Summer school attendance computation

42239.5 Saturday school programs

44824 Weekend classes; assignment of certificated employees

48205 Excused absence for personal reasons

48260 Truants, definition

51000-52706 General instructional programs, especially

51002 Development of local programs within guidelines