



CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MAY 2004 AGENDA

Specific Waiver

<p>SUBJECT</p> <p>Request by Butte County Office of Education to waive <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 51224.5(b), the requirement that all students graduating in the 2003-04 year be required to complete a course in Algebra I (equivalent) to be able to give a diploma of graduation to 1(one) special education student based on EC 56101, the special education authority.</p> <p>Waiver Number: 25-4-2004</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action</p>
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Consent</p>

RECOMMENDATION

Approval Approval with conditions Denial

That the request is granted for the 2003-04 school year. This waiver removes only the requirement that this student successfully complete a course in Algebra I (or its equivalent). This student must meet other course requirements stipulated by the governing board of the school district of enrollment and by EC 51225.3 in order to receive a high school diploma.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

In 2000, legislation was enacted to require students as a condition of receiving a high school diploma to complete Algebra I. The Algebra I requirement applies beginning with students graduating in 2003-04.

SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

This waiver removes only the requirement that this student must successfully complete a course in Algebra I (or its equivalent) in order to receive a diploma of graduation.

This student is not currently enrolled in Algebra I nor has this student successfully completed a course in Algebra I (or its equivalent). The district has provided documentation or certification that the student has been on diploma track throughout his high school career.

This student did not have the opportunity to complete Algebra I as the result of improper counseling or other failure by the local educational agency in which the school is located. This unfortunate circumstance would otherwise prohibit this student from graduating.

Authority for the Waiver: EC 56101

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Bargaining unit(s) consulted on date(s): Consultation is not required for this waiver.

Position of bargaining unit(s) (choose only one): Not required for this waiver.

Neutral Support Oppose

Name of bargaining unit(s)/representative(s): Not required for this waiver.

Local board approval date(s): 4/14/04

Period of request: 2003-04 School Year

FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)

There will be no adverse fiscal impact to the state if this waiver is approved.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Action Item: Some documentation is available for web viewing. Waiver forms and other hard copy documents are available for viewing at the Waiver Office or the State Board Office.