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## Notice of Failing Grade Policy

### WARNING NOTICES, RETENTION, PROMOTION, AND ACCELERATION

Per California Education Code, Section 49067 (a), the parent of each pupil shall be notified in a conference, or a written report, whenever it becomes evident to the teacher that the pupil is in danger of failing a course. This policy requires warning notices to be issued at the middle point of the reporting period. The refusal of the parent to attend the conference, or to respond to the written report, shall not preclude assigning a failing grade at the end of the grading period.

Per California Education Code, Section 48070.5 (e), parental notification is required at each reporting period if a child is at risk of retention. When a pupil is identified as being at risk of retention, a pupil's parent or guardian shall be provided with the opportunity to consult with the teacher(s) responsible for the decision to retain the pupil.

Kindergarten continuance is defined as more than one school year in kindergarten. According to California Education Code Sections 48011 and 48070-48070.5, California law provides that after a child has been lawfully admitted to kindergarten and has attended for a year, the child shall be promoted to the first grade unless the school district and the child's parent/guardian agree to have the child continue to attend kindergarten for not longer than one additional year. This rule applies whether a child begins kindergarten at the beginning of a school year or at some later date. A parent/guardian who agrees their child is to continue in kindergarten must consent to the continuance in writing. Failure to have written consent on file may jeopardize audit findings and result in a loss of apportionment.