Foster Youth Services

The Elk Grove Unified School District's Foster Youth Services (FYS) Program strives to address the unique educational needs of youth in foster care by working collaboratively with youth, caregivers, schools, placement agencies, and other service providers. FYS aims to support student achievement by providing access, stability, and guidance through a variety of services:

Enrollment Support Services
FYS staff complete educational passports to assist with immediate enrollment and timely transfer of school records for current and prior EGUSD students. Student transcripts are reviewed to ensure full and partial credits are awarded and eligibility for graduation exemptions are determined.

Educational Case Management
FYS Individual Case Managers (ICMs) work with students and their support team to provide individual and group interventions based on the students' Educational Success Plan. Services include:

- Assessing student needs and establishing targeted goals based on individual needs
- Connecting youth and families to school and community resources
- Facilitating communication and collaboration with caregivers, school staff, social workers/probation officers, and other service providers
- Strategizing interventions for school-related concerns
- Participating in collaborative team meetings

Academic Enhancement
FYS provides weekly individualized tutoring to EGUSD students in foster care. Priority is given to youth performing below grade level and youth unable to access other tutoring programs.

Independent Living Program
To support the transition into adulthood, FYS helps prepare students in foster care between the ages of 16 to 19 for independent living by teaching self-sufficiency skills, providing employment readiness skills, as well as developing school completion plans and post-secondary support. Students may participate in:

- Independent living skills classes
- College tours
- Individual case management
- Job shadow days

Professional Development
FYS staff and community partners are available to provide training for school site staff, caregivers, service providers, and others on topics related to the educational needs of students in foster care, including related laws and trauma-informed practices.

Foster Youth Education Rights



Download Foster Youth Education Rights Flyer

Foster Youth Services Administration

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Foster Youth Services – Staff Directory

Resource Links

General Resources

- California Foster Care Education Law Fact Sheets
- Foster Youth Education Rights - summary of the *Ed. Code* sections pertaining to foster youth
- Information on Education Rights Holders (Form JV-535)
- Foster Youth Education Toolkit

Public Agencies

- California Child Welfare Indicators Project (CCWIP)
- CDE Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program
- Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Sacramento County
- Sacramento Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services
- Sacramento Independent Living Program (ILP) and Extended Foster Care
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Advocacy Organizations

- Annie E. Casey Foundation
- California Foster Care Ombudsperson Program
- California Foster Youth Education Task Force (CFYETF)
- California Youth Connection
- Casey Family Programs
- Child Welfare League of America
- National Foster Parent Association
- California Alliance of Caregivers

College Support Programs

- First Star Sacramento State Academy
- California College Pathways
- Foster Youth Success Initiative (FYSI)
- Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)-CSU
- Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)-UC
- Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS)
- NextUp

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