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### Certification 5: Local Educational Agency

**IMPORTANT:** Certification 5 is required when the information being submitted to the California Department of Education (CDE) by each participating agency's superintendent (for a district and county office of education (COE) local educational agency (LEA)), or by each chief administrator (for a charter LEA) is related to Local Plan Section B: Governance and Administration, Section D: Annual Budget Plan, and/or Section E: Annual Service Plan.

LEA

#### Cert 5-1. Special Education Local Plan Area Governance Structure

The LEA certifies the SELPA Local Plan is the basis for the operation and administration of special education programs. The LEA will meet all applicable requirements of special education state and federal laws and regulations, and state policies and procedures. Be it further resolved, the LEA must administer the local implementation of policies, procedures, and practices in accordance with special education state and federal laws, rules, and regulations. The superintendent or chief administrator certifies the LEA is participating in a:

- Single LEA SELPA: This selection includes only one district LEA (this selection does not include a COE); or
- Multiple LEA SELPA: This selection includes one district or charter LEA together with one or more additional district or charter LEA(s), or a combination thereof (this selection does not include a COE); or
- COE Joined SELPA: A district (or charter) LEA(s) joined with a COE(s) to form a SELPA (this selection includes one or more district or charter LEA(s) *AND* one or more COEs).
  - Small and Sparse or Isolated: This selection must meet requirements for, Multiple or Joined SELPAs as described above, and *EC* sections 56211 through 56212.

#### **For a multiple LEA SELPA or a COE joined SELPA**

I certify that joint powers agreements, or other contractual agreements have been developed and are entered into between the multiple LEA SELPA or the COE joined SELPA and entities participating in the Local Plan. These agreements address all requirements of the *EC* Section 56195.1(b) and (c) for the provision of (1) a governance structure and administrative supports necessary for implementation; (2) a system for determining the responsibilities of participating LEA members for educating students with disabilities; and (3) the designation of an administrative entity.

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I certify additional written agreements have been developed and are entered into between the multiple LEA SELPA or the COE joined SELPA and all entities participating in the Local Plan pursuant to *EC* Section 56195.7.

All agreements are maintained by the SELPA and will be made available upon request to the CDE.

**Cert 5-2. Local Educational Agency Local Plan Web Posting**

The LEA superintendent (for a district or COE LEA) or chief administrator (for a charter LEA) ensures the current Local Plan, Section B: Governance and Administration, Section D: Annual Budget Plan, and Section E: Annual Service Plan, including updates or revisions to Sections B, D, E, and/or Attachments, is posted on the LEA web site, is on file at each LEA, and is available to any interested party.

Web address where the SELPA Local Plan, including all sections, is posted.

**Cert 5-3. Submission Certification Requirements for LEAs**

Certification 5 must be signed by the LEA superintendent (district LEAs) or chief administrator (charter LEAs).

1. All district and charter LEAs must sign a Certification 5 if the Local Plan submission is for an annual amendment (due June 30) for Sections D: Annual Budget Plan, or Section E: Annual Services Plan.
2. If the submission is an amendment to Local Plan Section D: Annual Budget Plan and/or Section E: Annual Service Plan submitted during the current fiscal year, then only the newly affected LEAs are required to submit Certification 5 with the amendment(s).
3. If the submission is an amendment to Local Plan Section B: Governance and Administration, then all SELPA member LEAs must submit a newly signed Certification 5.

**Authorized Signature**

LEA Superintendent/Chief Administrator

Date