AP 4106 NURSING PROGRAMS

References:
Education Code Sections 66055.8, 66055.9, 70101-70106, 70120, 70124, 70125, 70128.5, 78260, 78261, 78261.3, 78261.5, 87482, 89267, 89267.3, and 92645; Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq. and 55521; and Health and Safety Code Section 128050

The District is prohibited from requiring a student who has already earned a baccalaureate degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution of higher education to complete any general education requirements.

Students applying to the Registered Nursing Program must submit completed application materials by the application deadlines. It is the applicant’s responsibility to provide complete and accurate materials by the closing date. A description of what constitutes a complete application is listed in the catalog. Students must submit official transcripts with the degree posted directly to the Nursing Department. Students who provide documentation through the official transcript that they possess a bachelor’s degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution of higher education in the United States will have the general education requirements waived. The student must complete all of the coursework necessary for licensure as a registered nurse. This includes all of the prerequisites to the program, all required application materials, assessment testing, and/or required remediation and the degree requirements for nursing.

The District is authorized to require any prospective student to provide criminal record clearance.

Prospective nursing students must provide a criminal record clearance prior to enrollment in the Program. Prospective students must sign and submit a release form and pay the current fee to the background check company. Additional county searches may require additional fees by the student.

Current and prospective nursing students must at all times meet applicable hospital security standards for placement in mandatory clinical rotations at selected hospitals. Every student offered a space in the program will be required to submit to a background screening prior to beginning clinical rotations as part of their clinical requirements for admission. A history of felony conviction(s) or any bar, exclusion or other ineligibility for federal program participation could render a student ineligible for clinical placement, as determined by the clinical agencies. Screening also includes a national sex offender search.

If a student cannot obtain background clearance from the clinical agencies, it will not be possible to place the student in the clinical area, which is a required component of the program. In the event that a student cannot obtain a background clearance prior to the commencement of classes, the space will be forfeited.

Clinical agency contracts require screening at the beginning of each academic year.
Students who are ineligible for clinical placement after admission to the nursing program shall be subject to dismissal from the program, as they will be unable to complete mandatory clinical rotations.

The student is sent a copy of the screening report by the background check company and has the right to dispute the accuracy of the report.

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