# VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

# **BOARD POLICY NO. 6164.4**

ADOPTED: 08/22/2022

## **CLASSIFICATION:** Instruction

### SUBJECT: Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education

The County Board of Education and County Superintendent recognize the need to actively seek out and evaluate students from birth to age 21 who have disabilities in order to provide them with appropriate educational opportunities in accordance with state and federal law.

The County Superintendent or designee shall establish a comprehensive system that includes procedures for the identification, screening, referral, and regular and triennial assessment of individuals eligible for special education, as well as procedures for the planning, implementation, and review of the education and related services provided to such individuals. (Education Code 56301)

The Ventura County Office of Education Schools and Programs identification procedures shall include methods for utilizing referrals from parents/guardians, teachers, appropriate professionals, and others, and shall be coordinated with school site procedures for referral of students whose needs cannot be met with modifications to the regular instructional program. (Education Code 56302)

The County Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians, in writing, of their rights related to identification, referral, assessment, instructional planning, implementation, and review, including the right to consent to any assessment concerning their child. In addition, the County Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians of procedures for initiating a referral for assessment to identify individuals who need special education services. (Education Code 56301)

Legal References:

#### EDUCATION CODE

56300-56304 Identification of individuals with disabilities