## BOARD POLICY San Mateo County Community College District

Subject: BP 7.41 Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS)

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Policy References: Education Code Sections 67310 and 84850; Title 5 Sections 56000 et seq. and

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1. Students with disabilities have the right to be reasonably accommodated pursuant to federal and state requirements in all applicable programs in the District.

- 2. The Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) program shall be the primary provider for support programs and services academic adjustments, auxiliary aids, services, or instruction that facilitate equal educational opportunities for disabled students who can benefit from instruction as required by Federal and State laws.
- 3. DSPS services shall be available to students with verified disabilities. These services shall be based on students' educational limitations resulting from the disability. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to: reasonable accommodations, academic adjustments, technology accessibility, accessible facilities and equipment, instructional programs, rehabilitation counseling, and academic counseling.
- 4. Students with disabilities are not required to participate in the Disabled Students Programs and Services program.
- 5. The District shall respond in a timely manner to accommodation requests involving academic adjustments. The Chancellor or designee shall establish a procedure to implement this policy which, at a minimum, provides for an individualized review of each such request, and permits interim decisions on such requests pending final resolution by the appropriate administrator or designee.
- 6. The Chancellor shall assure that the DSPS program conforms to all requirements established by the relevant law and regulations.

Note: The policy is being updated to reflect the language used in the new and amended Title Sections 56000 et seq. that went into effect on July 1, 2016 and to remove a redundant citation.