

Southern California Special Education Administrators

Particulars:

Cost: No Cost (Free)

Date: Monday,
September 27, 2021

Location:

Virtual (Online) Workshop

Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Target Audience:

Special Education
Administrators,
Program Specialists,
School Psychologists

Max # of Participants:

300

Registrations are *ONLY* online through OMS. Use the below URL to access registration page. You *MUST* use the password below in order to register. Registration starts 7/1/21.

<https://socalsea.k12oms.org/2486-202886>

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School Refusal:

Legally Responding to School Refusal and Home Hospital to School

The issue of student nonattendance has been on the rise over the last decade, exacerbated in the last year by the COVID-19 pandemic. Nonattendance becomes particularly problematic when it intersects with special education. For student already eligible for services, the question becomes whether the IEP team has the responsibility for providing specific programming to address the nonattendance.

- *If it fails to do so, does the school district become liable for failing to provide a FAPE, resulting in possible compensatory education or reimbursement for a private school placement?*
- *For those students who have not been determined to be eligible for special education, does their nonattendance trigger child find and referral obligations?*

This workshop will focus on several important aspects of nonattendance and its consequences in the context of students with disabilities, including child find and eligibility; addressing nonattendance in the IEP; and nonattendance and placement issues. This workshop will also cover some of the most problematic issues for IEP teams in determining whether a student requires home and/or hospital instruction and if so, how to provide appropriate services in this highly restrictive setting.

Presented by: Jan E. Tomsy

Jan E. Tomsy is a partner at Fagen, Friedman, & Fulfrost, LLP, serving clients from the Oakland office. A nationally recognized leader in special education law, Ms. Tomsy has represented school district clients in mediations and due process hearings, as well as in special education-related litigation in both state and federal courts and in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Her expertise in special education matters has helped scores of districts to address issues and resolve disputes in this specialized field. Additionally, Ms. Tomsy has assisted districts in countless student expulsion hearings, particularly those that involve complex or sensitive issues, and has successfully defended districts' decisions on appeal to county boards and in court. In addition to student-related advice, Ms. Tomsy regularly assists clients on issues related to cyber misconduct, social media and technology matters.