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<p>Under CA law (AB 490), foster youth have the right to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SCHOOL STABILITY:</b> remain in their original school when they enter foster care or move (if in their best interests);</li> <li>• <b>IMMEDIATE ENROLLMENT:</b> be <i>immediately</i> enrolled in a new school (even without health/education records);</li> <li>• <b>PARTIAL CREDIT:</b> receive partial or full credit for work completed at other schools (all students have this right);</li> <li>• <b>FAIRNESS:</b> not be punished for court-related absences.</li> </ul> <p><i>for more information, see</i>  <a href="http://www.abanet.org/child/rcjji/eduCAtion/ab490.html">www.abanet.org/child/rcjji/eduCAtion/ab490.html</a>  or CA Ed. Code §§ 48850-48853.5; 49076(11)</p>	<p>Under CA law, schools must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>IMMEDIATELY ENROLL</b> foster youth (even without uniforms, health/education records);</li> <li>• <b>TRANSFER RECORDS</b> to a child's new school within 2 business days;</li> <li>• <b>ALLOW</b> county placing agencies to access students' records.</li> </ul> <p>Local education agencies must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DESIGNATE</b> an AB 490 educational liaison for every district and county office of education to help foster youth directly.</li> </ul> <p><i>For more information, please contact your local foster youth education liaison. You can find your local liaison's contact info at:</i>  <a href="http://www.cde.CA.gov/42687">www.cde.CA.gov/42687</a> <i>or contact</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Center for Youth Law: 510.835.8098</li> <li>• Youth Law Center: 415.543.3379</li> </ul> <p><i>Produced with the support of Casey Family Programs.</i></p>