

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES

The New Hanover County Board of Education (Board) has established and maintains a system of special education services for students with disabilities who are eligible for, and in need of, specially designed instruction. These services include specialized programs, personnel, facilities, materials, and equipment needed to promote the individual academic, physical, social, intellectual, and emotional growth of students with disabilities.

The system of special education and related services shall include an affirmative process to locate, identify and evaluate all students with disabilities. Students with mild or moderate disabilities shall be identified using a response to intervention approach, as permitted under applicable statutes and regulations.

Services shall be designed to meet the individual needs of students with disabilities whether directly provided by school system employees or through professional services contracts.

To the maximum extent appropriate, opportunities for interaction with the total school environment will be provided to students with disabilities. The system of special education services shall conform to state and federal laws and regulations and provide an opportunity for a free appropriate public education to students with disabilities.

The Superintendent is responsible for dissemination of procedures that ensure that the school system is compliant with applicable state and federal statutes and regulations.

LEGAL REFS: NCGS 115C-106.1 to 115C-112.1
??20 USC Sec. 1400 et seq.

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