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## **608 INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES – SPECIAL EDUCATION**

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to set forth the position of the school board on the need for special educational services on the part of some students in the school district.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

The school board recognizes that special education needs exist on the part of some students, and the importance of providing a free appropriate public education and delivery system for students in need of special education.

### **III. RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. The school board accepts its responsibility to identify, evaluate and provide special instruction and services for children with disabilities who are properly the responsibility of the school district and who meet the criteria to qualify for special instruction and services as set forth in Minnesota and federal law.
- B. The school district shall ensure that all qualified children with disabilities are provided the special instruction and services which are appropriate to their educational needs.
- C. The St. Croix River Education District will see to the development of the administrative procedures and practices necessary to deliver the appropriate special education services. It shall be the ultimate responsibility of the superintendent to approve these procedures and practices as a member of the SCRED's Superintendent Operating Committee.
- D. When such services require or result from interagency cooperation, the school district shall participate in such processes in compliance with law.

*Legal References:* Minn. Stat. § 124D.03 (Enrollment Options Program)  
Minn. Stat. § 125A.02 (Definition of Child with a Disability)  
Minn. Stat. §§ 125A.027, 125A.03, 125A.08, 125A.15, and 125A.29  
(District Obligations)  
20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq. (Individuals with Disabilities Education  
Improvement Act of 2004)

*Cross References:* Chisago Lakes Policy 402 (Disability Nondiscrimination)  
Chisago Lakes Policy 508 (Extended School Year for Certain Students  
with Individual Education Plans)  
Chisago Lakes Policy 509 (Enrollment of Nonresident Students)  
Chisago Lakes Policy 521 (Student Disability Nondiscrimination)