

Title: Provision of Special Education

The District shall provide a free and appropriate educational program and related services to students identified in need of special education. The special educational services will be provided from birth until the appropriate education is completed or until age level requirements are satisfied, in accordance with federal and state laws. Children requiring special education shall attend general education classes, participate in extracurricular activities and receive reasonable services in a general education setting to the extent determined to be appropriate by the student's individualized educational planning team. The appropriate education for each child shall be written in the student's individualized family service plan/individualized education program (IFSP/IEP). Special education students shall be required to meet the requirements for graduation stated in District policy or in their individual educational plans. Prior to the student's graduation, the individual educational planning team shall determine that the requirements have been met.

It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent and the Area Education Agency Director of Special Education to provide or make provision for free and appropriate special education programs. The building principal shall be responsible for maintaining the records of the children identified as being in need of special education. These records may be viewed by authorized school personnel and in accordance with the requirements of District policy and applicable law. Policies and procedures shall be filed at the Area Education Agency.

Children from birth through age two (2) and children age three (3) through age five (5) shall be provided comprehensive special education services within the public education system. The District shall work in conjunction with the Area Education Agency to provide services, at the earliest appropriate time, to children with disabilities to ensure a smooth transition of children entitled to early childhood special education services.

Cross References:

607.1, 607.2

Legal References:

20 U.S.C.1400 et seq., 29 U.S.C. 794; 34 C.F.R. 104, Pt. 300;

Iowa Code Chapter 256B; 281 IAC Chapter 41

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