

WALTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

200 Double Springs Church Road, Monroe, Georgia 30656, Telephone 770-266-4520
www.walton.k12.ga.us

Dr. Nathan Franklin
Superintendent

George Underwood
Deputy Superintendent

Rusty Linder
Assistant Superintendent

BOARD MEMBERS

Coleman Landers
Chairman

Tom Gibson
Vice-Chair

Angenette Brooks
David Breedlove
Karen Brown
Tom Gibson
John Jessup

Parent(s) of Private School/Home School Students

RE: Students with Disabilities Enrolled in Private Schools

Dear Parent(s):

In Georgia, references to “parentally placed children in private schools” include children who are home schooled by their parents. Local school districts have the responsibility to identify all the private schools and home schools in their district and conduct Child Find activities with them to identify eligible children. A detailed summary of information explaining the school district’s responsibilities for parentally placed private school and home school students with disabilities accompanies this letter.

Under current State guidelines and IDEA, Walton County Schools is required to allocate a proportionate share of IDEA funds to provide some services to some students who have been placed or enrolled by their parents in private or home schools. In order to determine which services should be provided, which children should receive the services, and how/where the services should be provided, the local school district must consult with the private schools within their district, representatives of parents of students who attend those schools, and representatives of parents of home schooled students with disabilities. Toward this end, I am asking for your assistance and input.

Please complete the following survey if your student has been identified as having a disability or if you suspect that he or she has a disability. **If your student has not been identified as having a disability or if you do not suspect he or she has a disability, please disregard this letter.** Walton County Schools has the responsibility to locate, evaluate and identify all private school and home school children suspected of having a disability as defined under IDEA. Please return the completed survey by email to martin.gore@walton.k12.ga.us or by mail to:

Martin Gore
Special Education Director
Walton County Board of Education
200 Double Springs Church Road
Monroe, GA 30656

Sincerely,
Martin Gore
Martin Gore
Director of Special Education

Cc: Mr. Rusty Linder, Assistant Superintendent

