

Board of Trustees Douglas County School District

PROGRAM

EDUCATIONAL PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

In order to assure an effective program of special education and related services for students with disabilities in the District, the Board shall provide services in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, applicable Nevada law, and implementing regulations.

The Board directs that each student who is referred for evaluation, whether by District staff, a parent/guardian, or other authorized source, shall be evaluated in a timely manner using procedures consistent with IDEA and applicable Nevada law. Parents/guardians shall be meaningful participants in decisions regarding the identification, eligibility, educational placement, and provision of special education and related services for their child and shall be informed of their procedural safeguards, including notice, consent, access to records, and the right to dispute resolution and appeal

The Superintendent shall be responsible for ensuring that educational placements for students with disabilities are determined by the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team or other appropriate team, consistent with least restrictive environment (LRE) requirements of IDEA and applicable Nevada law. Any decision to place a student on home instruction or to change a student's placement due to safety, disciplinary, or other concerns shall follow applicable legal requirements, shall include appropriate team participation and parent/guardian involvement, and shall be documented in the student's educational records. The Superintendent shall ensure that the Board receives information, in accordance with confidentiality requirements, regarding the implementation of special education programs and significant trends in placement decisions.

The Superintendent shall prepare and maintain Administrative Regulations and procedures for the identification, evaluation, eligibility determination, educational placement, and provision of services for students with disabilities, including the development, implementation, and review of the Individualized Education Program (IEPs) and Section 504 plans. These regulations shall ensure compliance with IDEA, Section 504, and applicable Nevada statutes and regulations, and shall provide guidance for staff and families.

[See Administrative Regulation related to this Policy](#)

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