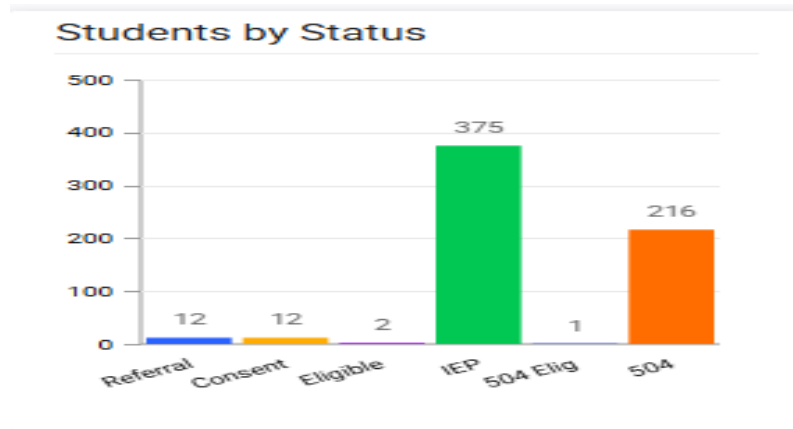




Special Education Monthly Board Report Emmett School District October, 2026

Special Education Demographics:

As of October 8, 2026, the home page of our IEP platform (Edplan) is showing 375 students are receiving Special Education, down from 381 in September. We currently have 12 Consents for Evaluation in process.



Staff Openings:

0: We are fully staffed

Department Projects:

The Special Education Department is presenting the Idaho Special Education Manual 2025, adopted by the State Board of Education on November 20, 2025, and incorporated into IDAPA 08.02.03.004.04 effective July 1, 2026, for Board adoption as the district's special education policies and procedures. The district has operated under the Manual since the start of the 2026-27 school year, so Board adoption formalizes current practice.

Why adoption is necessary

1. The manual carries the force of state rule.

The Manual is the statewide framework for implementing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The Idaho State Department of Education's Special Education Office states that it is incorporated by reference into Idaho administrative rule and has the force and effect of that rule. It sets requirements for providing a free



appropriate public education (FAPE), protecting student and parent rights, and meeting state monitoring and accountability expectations. Adopting it aligns district policy with that framework.

2. Adoption is a condition of federal funding.

Chapter 14, Section 2 of the Manual requires the district, as a condition of receiving IDEA Part B funds, to assure in its funding application that the school board has adopted the most current version of the Manual. Adoption is a documented district responsibility tied to federal funding.

Why the current manual is dated 2025

The "2025" in the title identifies the edition developed and adopted through the state's 2025 rulemaking process. It is not an indication that the manual is outdated.

Item	Information
Official edition title	Idaho Special Education Manual 2025, as listed on the Department of Education's website
State Board adoption date	November 20, 2025 (IDAPA 08.02.03.004.04)
Effective date	July 1, 2026

The Department's January 7, 2026 directors' webinar, published through the Idaho Training Clearinghouse, explains the sequence. The Manual went through rulemaking and public comment in 2025, received State Board approval in November 2025, and was submitted for legislative review in 2026 with a July 1, 2026 effective date. The current administrative rule confirms that date. The 2025 edition is the official title of the currently effective manual.

Sources

- Idaho Special Education Manual page, Idaho State Department of Education [Idaho Special Education Manual](#)
- Idaho administrative rule, IDAPA 08.02.03.004.04
- Idaho Training Clearinghouse, January 7, 2026 directors' webinar