

## Instruction

### Special Education

The District shall provide a free appropriate public education and necessary related services to all children with disabilities residing within the district, required under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (“IDEA”), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans With Disabilities Act.

It is the intent of the district to ensure that students who are disabled within the definition of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are identified, evaluated and provided with appropriate educational services. Students may be disabled within the meaning of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act even though they do not require services pursuant to the IDEA.

For students eligible for services under IDEA or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the district shall follow procedures for identification, evaluation, placement, and delivery of services and/or accommodations to students with disabilities provided in appropriate federal and state statutes. For those students who are not eligible for services under IDEA, but, because of disability as defined by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, need or are believed to need special instruction or related services, the District shall establish and implement a system of procedural safeguards. The safeguards shall cover students’ identification, evaluation, and educational placement. This system shall include notice, an opportunity for the student’s parent(s)/guardian(s)/surrogate parent to examine relevant records, an impartial hearing with opportunity for participation by the student’s parent(s)/guardians(s), and representation by counsel, and a review procedure.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

[10-76a](#) Definitions. (as amended by PA 00-48 and PA 06-18)

[10-76b](#) State supervision of special education programs and services.

[10-76c](#) Receipt and use of money and personal property.

[10-76d](#) Duties and powers of boards of education to provide special education programs and services. (as amended by PA 97-114)

[10-76e](#) School construction grant for cooperative regional special education facilities.

[10-76f](#) Definition of terms used in formula for state aid for special education.

[10-76ff](#) Procedures for determining if a child requires special education (as amended by PA 06-18)

[10-76g](#) State aid for special education.

[10-76h](#) Special education hearing and review procedure. Mediation of disputes. (as amended by PA 00-48)

[10-76i](#) Advisory council for special education.

[10-76j](#) Five-year plan for special education.

[10-76k](#) Development of experimental educational programs. State Board of Education Regulations

PA 06-18 An Act Concerning Special Education

[10-76m](#) Auditing claims for special education assistance

[10-76a-1 et seq.](#) Definitions

[10-76b-1](#) through [10-76b-4](#) Supervision and administration

[10-76d-1](#) through [10-76d-19](#) Conditions of instruction

[10-76h-1](#) through [10-76h-2](#) Due process

[10-76l-1](#) Program Evaluation

[10-145a-24](#) through [10-145a-31](#) Special Education (re teacher certification)

34 C.F.R. 3000 Assistance to States for Education for Handicapped Children.

American with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 et seq.

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §1400 et seq.

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, 29 U.S.C. §794.

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