

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The board recognizes some students have different educational needs than other students. The board shall provide an appropriate education program and related services to students identified in need of special education. The special education services will be provided from birth until the appropriate education is completed, age twenty-one or to maximum age allowable in regular education classes, participate in extracurricular activities and receive services in a regular education setting to the maximum extent possible. The appropriate education for each student shall be written in the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP).

Special education students shall be required to meet the requirements stated in board policy or in their IEPs for graduation. It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent and the area education agency director of special education to provide or make provisions for appropriate special education and related services.

Children from birth through age 2 and children age 3 through age 5 shall be provided comprehensive special education services within the public education system. The school district shall work in conjunction with the area education agency to provide services, at the earliest appropriate time, to children with disabilities from birth through age 2. This shall be done to ensure a smooth transition of children entitled to early childhood special education services.

Legal Reference: Board of Education v. Rowley, 458 U.S. 176 (1982).
Springdale School District #50 v. Grace, 693 F.2d 41(8th Cir. 1982).
Southeast Warren Comm. School District v. Dept. Of Public Instruction, 285 N.W. 2d 173 (Iowa 1979).
20 U.S.C. 1400 etseq. (1988).
34 C.F.R. Pt. 300 et seq. (1993).
Iowa Code 256.11(7); 256B; 273.1, .2, .5, .9(2)-(3); 280.8 (1995).
281 I.A.C. 41.

Cross Reference: 503 Student Discipline
505.5 Graduation Requirements
506 Student Records
507.2 Administration of Medication to Students
507.8 Student Special Health Services
601.1 School Calendar
603 Instructional Curriculum

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