

SEPAC Updates

10.6.20

Update on Student Services Dept.

Staffing -

All professional roles are filled (SLPs were most impacted)

All ABAs are filled

Still hiring for approx. 3 IAs district wide

Vast majority of contractors are back

High Needs Students and Phase In

Approx. 290 students were identified as High Needs and 230 elected to come to school four days a week.

Completed the phase in process and everyone has been in and met their teachers and staff.

[Resources from DESE](#) - links to technical advisories, FAQs and other documents

Three Big Projects Happening Now

District will be issuing COVID special education learning plans for all students attending in-district schools

District has begun COVID Compensatory Services determination Team meetings

District is completing evaluations in person and remotely

[Refs - DESE FAQ](#), [DESE COVID PLAN](#), [Comp Serv. Technical Adv.](#)

Covid Learning Plans

Every parent of a student with an IEP who attends an in-district school with an IEP will be sent a Covid Learning Plan **by November 10.**

It is not an IEP or an amendment.

Documents any CHANGES to how the last signed IEP services are being delivered DIFFERENTLY due to the district's hybrid schedule (or remote schedule for families who opted for remote services only)

Indicates the method for ongoing communication

Will be updated if changes occur in the future

Compensatory Services Determination Meetings

The District is initiating meetings to determine COVID Compensatory Services for students where there is evidence of loss of skills or regression due to the extended period of school closure due to COVID 19.

For students who have monthly clinics - this meeting can be scheduled in that time slot if helpful for efficiency

Parents can also request a Compensatory Services Meeting if you feel there was regression and the District has not reached out to you.

The goal is to have these meetings **done by 12/15/20.**

DESE Compensatory Doc Info

Three kinds of Support:

Recovery Support - literacy/math/other support from general ed

COVID-19 Compensatory Services - this is the one we are focused on/prioritization process (using N1 letter to document)

New IEP Services - for NEW needs that developed March - now

[DESE Comp Services Family Fact Sheet 9/24](#)

Evaluations

Following DESE advice and prioritizing - students from March - June, youngest students, key transition grade years, initials...

9 students were evaluated over the summer

45 students identified before 9/1 and those are in process now.

-Some have been completed, some actively in process, some assigned and awaiting scheduling.

Parent/Guardians will be contacted to schedule the Team Meeting when all evaluations are complete for a student.

504 plans and accommodations

[OCR issued an update on 9/28](#)

Indicated that 504 plan accommodations are still in full effect and that the method of delivery may be different

Also encouraged 504 teams to look at if due to COVID response new or different accommodations are now appropriate and previous ones no longer apply

Meetings will be virtual

What's Next

Home Services

Extended School Day

Planning for compensatory options/times

ESY 2021

Planning for if we go full remote for an extended period of time

Don't forget about mask policy...

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