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# EmbraceIEP FORMS AND CHECKLISTS

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The forms delineated on each of the checklists should be compiled in the order listed. The relevant checklist should then be attached on top of the forms sent to RCCSEC. If you have any questions, please contact us.

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# \*\*SPECIAL NOTE:

SIGNED, ORIGINALS OF THE IEPS SHOULD BE SENT TO RCCSEC FOR PROCESSING NO LATER THAN 10 DAYS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE IEP MEETING.

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# **EmbraceIEP ANNUAL FORMS**

Forms available and required/suggested for this conference type in Embrace.

- 1. Conference Summary Report
- 2. Present Levels of Educational Performance
- 3. Conference Goals and Objectives
- 4. Educational Accommodations
- 5. Assessment
- 6. Transition Services (Required at age 13 ½ and above)
- 7. Indicator 13 Checklist (Required at age 13 ½ and above
- 8. Behavior Intervention Plan
- 9. Educational Services & Placement

# **EmbraceIEP NOTICE & CONSENT FORMS**

Forms available for these conference types in Embrace.

# \*Required Forms

- 1. Decision Re: Request for Evaluation
- 2. Consent for Initial Evaluation
- 3. Consent for Reevaluation
- 4. Notification of Conference\*
- 5. Consent to Bill Medicaid (At Initial Referral if not already signed at registration)
- 6. Transition Consent
- 7. Conference Recommendations\*
- 8. Consent for Initial Services
- 9. Excusal of Team Member\*
- 10. Transfer of Rights
- 11. Delegation of Rights
- 12. Revocation of Consent

# **EmbraceIEP ADDITIONAL FORMS**

## Forms available in Embrace.

- 1. Manifestation Determination
- 2. Functional Behavioral Assessment
- 3. Summary of Performance
- 4. SOP Post School Data
- 5. Additional Notes/Information required for all IEPS to document meeting notes.
- 6. Medical Certification For Home/Hospital
- 7. Early Childhood Outcomes
- 8. Individualized Remote Learning Plan
- 9. Summary of Performance Student Perspective
- 10. Documentation of Need for Aide
- 11.ISP
- 12. ISP Conference Goals

# **EmbraceIEP EVALUATION FORMS**

- 1. Documentation of Evaluation Results
- 2. Eligibility Determination (Non SLD)
- 3. Documentation of Intervention Results (LD)
- 4. Eligibility Determination (LD)
- 5. Autism Considerations
- 6. Extend Eval Timeline
- 7. Speech/Language Referral
- 8. OT/PT Physician Prescription
- 9. Audiology Referral
- 10. All Eligibility Criteria Pages:
  - a. Autism
  - b. Deaf-Blind
  - c. Deafness
  - d. Developmental Delay
  - e. Emotional Disability
  - f. Intellectual Disability
  - g. Multiple Disabilities
  - h. Hearing Impairment
  - i. Orthopedic Impairment
  - j. Other Health Impairment
  - k. Specific Learning Disability
  - I. Speech or Language Impairment
  - m. Traumatic Brain Injury
  - n. Visual Impairment

#### **EmbraceIEP DISTRICT DOCUMENTS**



- 1. Consent for Screening
- 2. Consent for FBA
- 3. 2025 IAR Test Coordinator Manual
- 4. Confidentiality Statement for Interpreters
- 5. Consent to Bill Medicaid
- 6. DLM Guidelines
- 7. Embrace forms Automation Mapping
- 8. Facts 24-25
- 9. ICRE Roosevelt Transition Program
- 10. IL-ABLE-Brochure
- 11. ISD ISVI Letter (Updated 8/4/21)
- 12. Indicator 13 Rubric
- 13. Information for Parents About Medicaid in Schools
- 14. Information for Parents About Medicaid in Schools (Spanish)
- 15. KIDS Participation Guidelines
- 16. OT/PT Physician's Prescription with NPI
- 17. Printable Accommodations List
- 18. Procedural Safeguards English June 2022
- 19. Procedural Safeguards Spanish June 2022
- 20. Procedural Safeguards English June 2022 PUNS updated Feb 2023
- 21. Procedural Safeguards Spanish June 2022 PUNS updated Feb 2023
- 22. Program Amendment
- 23. Qualified Interpreters Guidance
- 24. SOP Student Perspective
- 25. Speech Therapy Referral NPI Number
- 26. Understanding PUNS English Updated Feb 2023
- 27. Understanding PUNS Spanish Updated Feb 2023

# **RCCSEC Website Downloadable Forms**

# www.rccsec.org

- 1. Medical Release Consent
- 2. Medical Certification for Home/Hospital Instruction
- 3. Student Data for EmbraceIEP
- 4. Exiting Student Form
- 5. Authorization for Social Work Services
- 6. Consent for FBA
- 7. Contact Summary
- 8. Observation Permission
- 9. Release Consent
- 10. Request for Screening and Consultation
- 11. School Report
- 12. Service Plan
- 13. Social Health Update
- 14. Vision & Hearing
- 15. RCCSEC Revocation of Consent Prior Written Notice
- 16. Consent for Screening
- 17. Guidelines for Teaching Assistant Support

## **EmbraceIEP INFORMATION**

# **NEW STUDENT DATA REQUIRED FORM FOR EmbraceIEP**

This form must be submitted to RCCSEC to have a student entered who does not currently have an IEP or who is a move-in student from another district. If the student has moved in from another district outside of Illinois and the district is not found in Embrace, please also provide a copy of the Annual Review and Reevaluation.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

\*\*Please email RCCSEC to set up an Amendment for an IEP.

Please provide:

- Student's Name
- All pages that need to be amended
- Specific date, if appropriate

#### **DUPLICATING IEPS**

#### **VERY IMPORTANT:**

#### \*This can only be done at the cooperative level!

If an IEP needs to be revised during the course of the current Annual Review and placement is affected/changing, please e-mail RCCSEC staff to have the active IEP duplicated. **BENEFIT:** This will keep the entire IEP together as a whole and prevent you from having to duplicate forms that will not be revised. IEPs are not to be duplicated for a normal yearly Annual Review.

Information required at time of the duplication request:

- Student's Name
- Reason For Duplication (example: IEP Review, Change of Placement, Year to Year Transition, etc...)
- Specific Date the Meeting is to be held
- Any extra forms needed for the meeting, if applicable

#### **DELETING**

If you need to have Goals or an IEP meeting set up in error deleted, please contact RCCSEC to have this completed.

#### **UPLOADING INSTRUCTIONS FOR EmbraceIEP**

#### To Upload: - THIS IS TO BE DONE BY THE CASE MANAGER

- Scan the paperwork into your computer
- Click on the appropriate meeting date in EmbraceIEP (usually most recent date)
- Click on Upload Files
- Click on Upload File in dropdown
- Choose the file that you have saved to your computer
- Click on Open
- Click Upload

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any EmbraceIEP questions.

• IEP Referral

immediately.

- Transfer In IEP
- 504 Referral / 504

# NEW STUDENT DATA REQUIRED FOR Embrace IEP

Resident District:		
		<u></u>
Case Manager:		
ALL NEW STUDENTS: (All requ	uired data)	
First Name:	Middle Name:	
Last Name:	Date of Birth:	
Grade:	Gender: Male Female	
SIS ID# <mark>(required)</mark> :	Primary Language:	
Ethnicity:		
Parent Info:		
Parent #1 Name/s:	Parent #2 Name/s:	
Foster Parent Yes No	Lives With:	
#1 Address:	#2 Address:	
	_Home/Cell #2 Phone:	<del></del>
#1 Primary/Preferred Language:	#2 Preferred Language:	
#1 Parent E-Mail Address:	#2 Email:	
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR M	OVE IN STUDENTS ONLY:	
First Attendance Date:		
Disability:		<u> </u>
Previous School:		
IMPORTANT.		

Please e-mail the above information to RCCSEC for entry.

Kris Stalter stalterk@rccsec.org /OR/ IEP Help iephelp@rccsec.org

\*\*Send copies of ALL special education records received from the previous school to the coop

# REQUESTED INITIAL EVALUATION / DOMAIN MEETING MEETING HELD

	Conference Summary Report
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Decision Regarding a Request for an Evaluation (Attach Written Parent Request for Evaluation - If Available)
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Initial Evaluation (Page 2 - Domain)
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference
	Consent to Bill Medicaid (At Initial Referral - if not already signed at registration If unsure, check with the administration.
IF T	HE EVALUATION IS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE PLEASE ADD:
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Initial Evaluation - Page 1 - Signed & Dated
	Vision and Hearing Screening (See <a href="www.rccsec.org">www.rccsec.org</a> - Form 14)
	Speech/Language Referral – If Applicable
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbracelEP under the IEP Date
Сор	pies sent to:
	Parent
	Case Manager
	Home School District
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by

# REQUESTED INITIAL EVALUATION/DOMAIN MEETING - NO MEETING HELD EVALUATION NOT APPROPRIATE

	Parent/Guardian Notification of Decision Regarding a Request for an Evaluation (Attach Written Parent Request for Evaluation)
	Note: If a written request is unavailable, please assist the parent in writing a request to attach
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date
Сор	ies sent to:
	Parent
	Case Manager
	Home School District
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by

# REEVALUATION REQUEST MEETING HELD

	Conference Summary Report
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Decision Regarding a Request for an Evaluation
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Reevaluation
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference
	Vision and Hearing Screening (If Requested - See <a href="www.rccsec.org">www.rccsec.org</a> - Form 14)
	Speech/Language Referral – If Applicable
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbracelEP under the IEP Date
Cop	pies sent to:
	Parent
	Case Manager
	Home School District
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by .

# WAIVED REEVALUATION (ELIGIBILITY ONLY) MEETING IS REQUIRED

	Conference Summary Report
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)
	Documentation of Evaluation Results Eligibility Criteria Page(s) for Disabilities Considered and/or Determined Eligibility Determination (All Disabilities Other Than Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
	Documentation of Intervention/Evaluation Results (Specific Learning Disability) - (If Applicable)
	Use this form for RTI students being entitled  Eligibility Criteria Checklist(s) for Specific Learning Disability - If Applicable  Eligibility Determination (Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
	Additional Notes/Information (Meeting Notes - required!)
	Autism Considerations for all Students with Autism as Eligibility
	OT/PT Physician Prescription – If Applicable
	Speech/Language Referral - If Applicable
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Decision Regarding a Request for an Evaluation
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Reevaluation
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference
	UPLOAD the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date
I <mark>MPOI</mark>	RTANT NOTE:
Inform dated	evaluation meeting is held <b>without</b> the Annual Review, you <b>MUST</b> indicate on the Additional Notes, ation or on the Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations that " <b>The Previous IEP</b> was reviewed and remains in effect". If held along with the Annual Review, please see the IR Review checklist. THIS MUST BE DETERMINED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.
Copie	es sent to:
	Parent
	Case Manager

Home School District
Original sent to RCCSEC on by
WAIVED REEVALUATION/ANNUAL REVIEW
Conference Summary Report
Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)
Documentation of Evaluation Results Eligibility Criteria Page(s) for Disabilities Considered and/or Determined Eligibility Determination (All Disabilities Other Than Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
Documentation of Intervention/Evaluation Results (Specific Learning Disability) - (If Applicable) <b>Use this form for RTI students being entitled</b> Eligibility Criteria Checklist(s) for Specific Learning Disability - If Applicable  Eligibility Determination (Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance
Goals and Objectives/Benchmarks: Number of goals
Secondary Transition - If Applicable  (Address by age 14½ or older <b>or</b> if the student will turn 14½ during the duration of the IEP)  Indicator 13 Checklist - Illinois State Performance Plan (SPP) - If Applicable  (Address by age 14½ or older <b>or</b> if student will turn 14½ during the duration of the IEP)
Educational Accommodations and Supports
Assessment
Educational Services and Placement
Documentation of Need for Teaching Aide (Guidelines for Consideration of Teaching Assistant Support available at rccsec.org)
Individualized Remote Learning Plan
Additional Notes/Information (Required - Meeting Notes)
Autism Considerations - If Applicable
Functional Behavioral Assessment (If Appropriate)

Ц	Behavior Intervention Plan (If Appropriate)
	Summary of Performance (12th grade - Graduating Student Only) Summary of Performance Student Perspective (Graduating Student Only) SOP Post-School Data Collection Survey (Graduating Student Only)
	Previous Year Goals with Progress Documented (From Previous IEP)
	Goal Progress Report (From Previous IEP)
	OT/PT Physician Prescription – If Applicable
	Speech/Language Referral – If Applicable (Required when receiving SLP Services)
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations
	Parent/Guardian and Student Notification of Transfer of Rights Due to Age of Majority (At Age 17) - If Applicable
	Parent/Guardian Delegation of Rights - If Applicable
	Invitation to Transition Meeting - If Applicable
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Decision Regarding a Request for an Evaluation
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Reevaluation
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference
	Audiology Referral – If Applicable
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbracelEP under the IEP Date
Copie	es sent to:
	Parent
	Case Manager
	Home School District
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by .

# FOR RTI ENTITLEMENT WITH MEETING HELD

	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference	
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)	•
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Decision Rega	rding a Request for an Evaluation
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Initial Evaluation Check that evaluation <u>is</u> appropriate even i	•
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Re	ecommendations
	Vision and Hearing Screening (See www.rccse	ec.org - Form 12)
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP un	der the IEP Date
Copie	pies sent to:	
	Parent	
	Case Manager	
	Home School District	
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by	

# **INITIAL ELIGIBILITY ONLY IEP**

	Conference Summary Report
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)
	Documentation of Evaluation Results Eligibility Criteria Checklist(s) for Disabilities Considered and/or Determined Eligibility Determination (All Disabilities Other Than Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
	Documentation of Intervention/Evaluation Results (Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable Eligibility Criteria Checklist for Specific Learning Disability - If Applicable Eligibility Determination (Specific Learning Disability) with signatures - If Applicable
	Additional Notes/Information - (Required - Meeting Notes)
	Autism Considerations - If Applicable
	Applicable reports - Psychologist, Social Worker, S/L Pathologist, OT, PT, etc. if not incorporated in the Documentation of Evaluation results.
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date
Cop	ies sent to:
	Parent Case Manager Home School District Original sent to RCCSEC on by

# IEP ELIGIBILITY & PLACEMENT - INITIAL AND/OR REEVALUATION page 2

Conference Summary Report
Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)
Documentation of Evaluation Results Eligibility Criteria Checklist(s) for Disabilities Considered and/or Determined Eligibility Determination (All Disabilities Other Than Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
Documentation of Intervention/Evaluation Results (Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable Eligibility Criteria Checklist(s) for Specific Learning Disability - If Applicable Eligibility Determination (Specific Learning Disability) - If Applicable
Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance
Goals and Objectives/Benchmarks: Number of Goals
Secondary Transition - If Applicable (Address by age 14½ or older <b>or</b> if the student will turn 14½ during the duration of the IEP)
Indicator 13 Checklist Illinois State Performance Plan (SPP) - If Applicable (Address by age 14½ or older <b>or</b> if student will turn 14½ during the duration of the IEP)
Educational Accommodations and Supports
Assessment
Educational Services and Placement
Documentation of Need for Aide - Guidelines for Consideration of Teaching Assistant Support  Available when considering Classroom Aide or Individual Aide support  (See <a href="https://www.rccsec.org">www.rccsec.org</a> - Form 17)
Additional Notes/Information (Required - Meeting Notes)
Autism Considerations - If Applicable
Functional Behavioral Assessment - (If Appropriate)
Behavior Intervention Plan - (If Appropriate)
Applicable reports - Psychologist, Social Worker, S/L Pathologist, OT, PT, etc. if not

	incorporated in the Documentation of Evaluation results.
	OT/PT Physician Prescription – If Applicable
	Speech/Language Referral (Request for Referral) - Required when receiving SLP Services
	Audiology Referral – If Applicable
	Parent/Guardian Consent for Initial Provision of Special Education Placement and Related Services WHEN INITIAL ELIGIBILITY IS DETERMINED
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date
Сор	ies sent to:
	Parent
	Case Manager
	Home School District
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by

# **ANNUAL REVIEW**

Conference Summary Report	
Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)	
Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance	
Goals and Objectives/Benchmarks: Number of goals	
Secondary Transition - If Applicable  (Address by age 14½ or older <b>or</b> if the student will turn 14½ during the duration of the IEI Indicator 13 Checklist - Illinois State Performance Plan (SPP) - If Applicable	
(Address by age 14½ or older <b>or</b> if student will turn 14½ during the duration of the IEP)	
Educational Accommodations and Supports	
Assessment	
Educational Services and Placement	
Documentation of Need for Teaching Assistant Support (Guidelines for Consideration of Teaching Assistant Support available at rccsec.org)	
Individualized Remote Learning Plan	
Additional Notes/Information (Required - Meeting Notes)	
Autism Considerations - If Applicable	
Functional Behavioral Assessment (If Appropriate)	
Behavior Intervention Plan (If Appropriate)	
Summary of Performance (12th grade - Graduating Student Only) Summary of Performance Student Perspective (Graduating Student Only) Found under District Documents in EmbraceIEP	
SOP Post-School Data Collection Survey (Graduating Student Only)	
Previous Year Goals with Progress Documented (From Previous IEP)	
Goal Progress Report (From Previous IEP)	

Ш	OT/PT Physician Prescription – If Applicable	
	Speech/Language Referral – If Applicable (Required when receiving SLP Services)	
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations	
	Parent/Guardian and Student Notification of Transfer of Rights Due to Age of Majority (At Age 17) - If Appropriate	
	Parent/Guardian and Student Notification of Delegation of Rights - If Applicable	
	Invitation to Transition Meeting - If Applicable	
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference	
	Audiology Referral – If Applicable	
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date	
Copi	es sent to:	
	Parent	
	Case Manager	
	Home School District	
П	Original sent to RCCSEC on by	

## IEP REVIEW / REVISION ONLY - MEETING HELD

	Conference Summary Report		
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)		
	All IEP Pages Revised or Added		
	Additional Notes/Information (Required - Meeting Notes)		
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations		
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference		
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date		
Copies sent to:			
	Parent		
	Case Manager		
	Home School District		
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by		

\*\*Reminder: A meeting MUST be held when the student's placement is changing (example EEC 01 to 02). Please email RCCSEC to duplicate prior to your meeting!

Information required at time of the duplication request:

- Student's Name
- Reason For Duplication (example: IEP Review, Change of Placement, Year to Year Transition, etc...)
- Specific Date the Meeting is to be held

# **IEP AMENDMENT - NO MEETING REQUIRED**

	Parent/Guardian Notification of Individualized Education Program Amendment MUST BE SIGNED BY PARENT!	
Date	The date on the Amendment form which states "The changes will begin on" <b>MUST</b> match the Start and/or Initiation Dates on the Educational Services & Placement page you create. The End /Duration Dates must be the same or prior to the due date of the next Annual Review.	
	ALL IEP Pages Revised	
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbracelEP under the IEP Date	
Copi	ies sent to:	
	Parent	
	Case Manager	
	Home School District	
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by	

## IMPORTANT:

An IEP Amendment is appropriate for MINOR changes. An Amendment may not be used if placement will change (i.e. 01 to 02). A meeting MUST be held in that case.

# \*\*Please email RCCSEC to set up an Amendment for an IEP.

Please provide:

- Student's Name
- All pages that need to be amended
- Specific date, if appropriate

# **MANIFESTATION DETERMINATION**

	Conference Summary Report		
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Memb (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)		
	Manifestation Determination		
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations		
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference		
IF F	OUND TO BE A MANIFESTATION - ALSO ATTACH:		
	Functional Behavioral Assessment		
	Behavior Intervention Plan		
	All IEP Pages Revised		
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date		
Copi	es sent to:		
	Parent		
	Case Manager		
	Home School District		
	Original sent to RCCSEC on by		

# **GRADUATION IEP**

	Conference Summary Report	
	Parent/Guardian Excusal of an Individualized Education Program Team Member (With Written Report Attached - If Appropriate)	
	Secondary Transition	
	Update as appropriate for the remainder of the school term.	
	Goals and Objectives/Benchmarks (where appropriate for the remainder of the school year)	
	Indicator 13 Checklist - Illinois State Performance Plan (SPP) - Update as needed	
	Additional Notes/Information (Meeting Notes)	
	Summary of Performance Summary of Performance Student Perspective Found under District Documents in EmbraceIEP Post-School Data Collection Survey MUST be signed by Student or Guardian	
	Previous Year Goals with Progress Documented (From Previous IEP) Goal Progress Report (From Previous IEP) Report of Progress on Annual Goals and Objective/Benchmarks from previous IEP	
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference Recommendations	
	<ul> <li>Mark "student recommended for graduation" if appropriate</li> <li>Add "contingent upon completion of all academic requirements" if there is a question as to whether or not the student will meet all graduation requirements.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mark any other appropriate box if the student has completed the required graduation requirements, but will remain in school according to the IEP.</li> </ul>	
	Consent for Agency Invitation to Transition Meeting from Parent/Guardian OR Student, (If Age of Majority)	
	Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference	
	Upload the Paperwork into EmbraceIEP under the IEP Date	
Copie	es sent to: Parent Case Manager	

Home School District	
Original sent to RCCSEC on	by

# DISMISSAL FROM SPECIAL EDUCATION IEP (Including Speech/Language)

## Hold an IEP meeting.

When dismissing a student from special education eligibility, you **MUST** hold a reevaluation or a waived reevaluation meeting. Please follow the appropriate checklist for the appropriate paperwork.

# DISMISSAL FROM SPEECH/LANGUAGE AS A PRIMARY OR SECONDARY ELIGIBILITY

## Hold an IEP meeting.

Complete a Referral for a Reevaluation. Conduct the domain analysis, with particular focus on Communicative Status. If enough data is available, then have a parent sign to agree that no testing is needed (follow Waived Reevaluation Checklist).

If available data is not sufficient, then conduct a reevaluation (follow Reevaluation Checklist). Complete Eligibility IEP. Mark Not Eligible if a student had been eligible for Speech/Language only. If a student remains eligible under other categories, then only list the areas of eligibility and exclude Speech-Language. Remove Speech/Language services from the Educational Services and Placement page.

#### DISMISSAL FROM SPEECH/LANGUAGE AS A RELATED SERVICE

# Hold an IEP meeting.

Document on the IEP goals that the student has met all of the speech/language goals and objectives. Consider explaining the dismissal on the Additional IEP Information page. Remove it as a related service on the Educational Services and Placement page.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR STEP SERVICES ON THE IEP (Secondary Transition Experience Program)

STEP is a work-study program for students with disabilities who are at least 16 years of age. It is a program that is sponsored through the Illinois Department of Human Services/Division of Rehabilitation Services (DHS/DRS). As such, all students enrolled in STEP must be deemed "eligible" for services through DRS. Application and paperwork must be completed for both the STEP Coordinator and the DRS Counselor.

The purpose of STEP is to provide work-based experiences that will develop skills that will lead to competitive employment. Students receive academic credit towards graduation.

- a. Some students will be formally employed. Those students may work during the school day and/or outside the regular school hours.
- b. Other students will become involved in volunteer work experiences, and may receive a small training stipend from the DRS grant to help themcover the expenses of working and learn money management skills. Such students are not considered employees at their work site. However, they are to conduct themselves as if they were an employee, in order to learn appropriate work skills.
- c. In general, students in a volunteer placement are scheduled to work during the school day, and receive some level of job coaching through their school, to assist them in learning skills for employment.
- d. Based on the IDEA legislation, a student must meet 6 criteria in order to receive a training stipend while doing volunteer work. These criteria are listed on the Champaign County STEP "Request for Job Training Stipend" form, available through the STEP Coordinator.
- e. When referring a student to STEP, it is important to make sure that there is time in the student's academic and extracurricular schedule for regularly scheduled employment or volunteer work (generally 10 hours/week minimum for STEP). Scheduling conflicts with sports, band, driver's education, or required classes may keep a student from participating in STEP.

#### f. What form(s) should be completed

# Educational Services Page under Related Services and/or Conference Notes

When an IEP is created in the spring, prior to the final placement of the student, it is difficult to know if the student will be placed in an employer-paid position or receive a stipend. Therefore, the IEP paperwork should reflect the information that is known at that time:

- i. If the student is already employed in the community, designate on the "related services" page that the student is to receive STEP services. Indicate that the student as being served "outside special education" with the average minutes that the student works per week. This could create an "instructional day" that exceeds the normal school day.
- ii. If the placement of the student is unknown for the upcoming school year, indicate on the **conference notes** that the student is being referred to STEP and that an amendment will be sent after the student is placed in the fall. (Formal enrollment in STEP can only occur AFTER DRS deems the student eligible and that typically occurs after the start of the school year.)
- iii. Once the student is placed, or any other ensuing change in placement is made, an amendment to the IEP should identify the type of placement.
- If the student is placed in volunteer setting, with or without a training stipend, it will be considered "within special education" and the number of minutes will typically be a portion of the standard instructional day.
- If the student is paid by the employer in the community, it will be considered "outside of special education". The number of minutes may exceed that of a standard instructional day.
- It is possible for a student enrolled in STEP to have an "extended school day". Students who attend work beyond the standard day may receive additional academic credit at the discretion of the IEP team.

On the Educational Services Page under "related services," select code "27 *Transition/STEP by Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)*" to show that STEP is the related service that the student is receiving.

# Determining Educational Environment Coding for Students with Disabilities Participating in DRS Secondary Transitional Experience Programs (STEP)

# Criteria to be considered General Education Environment

A student's educational environment can be recorded as general education when the student is in a *competitive employment* position with the following components:

In the *community* (e.g., outside of the school campus)

Student receives at least minimum wage reimbursement and if applicable, fringe benefits

Integrated job site...

where most coworkers do not have disabilities and individuals with disabilities are not part of a work group of other individuals with disabilities, **or** 

where most coworkers do not have disabilities and if a job site as described above is not possible, individuals are part of a small work group of not more than 8 individuals with disabilities. **or** 

if there are no coworkers or the only co-workers are members of a small work group of not more than 8 individuals (all of whom have disabilities), individuals with disabilities have regular contact with non-disabled individuals other than personnel providing support services in the work setting.

Unsubsidized – wages are paid in full by the employer and there are no reimbursements from any sources, i.e., DHS/DRS, WIA, etc.

# Criteria to be considered Special Education Environment

A student's educational environment is recorded as special education when he/she does not yet meet competitive employment standards and includes one or more of the following STEP components:

Work-related class (e.g., STEP classroom experience in career exploration, job seeking skills, etc.)

Job Shadowing (e.g. learning about a job by spending time with a person who is working in a career

Job Coaching – on-the-job support provided by school personnel

Independent Living Skills Training (e.g., classroom or community-based instruction, provided/supervised by school personnel, in skill areas other than vocational development such as transportation, meal preparation, household management, etc.

On the Job Evaluation/Training (OJE/OJT) (e.g., a training experience where a person is evaluated in terms of aptitudes and abilities, work speed, work skills ability to learn, quality of work performed and work behaviors) OJE/OJT is used to develop basic job skills that would lead to competitive employment

OJE/OJT Funded Training - refers to funds used for evaluation, training, and supervision of students who do not meet competitive employment standards. Includes a payment schedule that increases employer participation based on the student's progress.

On-Campus Experiences (e.g., experience in any school setting, closely supervised...often a student's first training experience in preparation for community placements and/or competitive employment)

## TRANSFER STUDENTS WITH IEPS

When a student with an IEP moves into a new district, there are several possible scenarios. First, the student could be moving in from another district in Illinois and the new district can gain copies of the current IEP. Secondly, a student could be moving in from another state and the new district can gain copies of the current IEP. Thirdly, the student could be moving in from anywhere and the new district cannot gain copies of the current IEP. The most important thing to remember is that the new district is responsible for providing a Free and Appropriate Public Education. This includes providing special education and related services in conformity with an IEP.

## **Transfers from within Illinois**

Step 1: Enroll the child.

Step 2: To the extent possible, provide services comparable to those in the IEP from the former school district.

**Step 3:** Either adopt the IEP from the former school district (if current, no meeting is needed) or develop, adopt and implement a new IEP. If the plan is to develop a new IEP, within 10 days after the date of the child's enrollment the school district must provide written notice to the parents, including the proposed date of the IEP meeting. Since the parents have the right to a 10-day notice of any IEP meeting, this would mean that the district would have a MAXIMUM of 20 days to notify parents and develop, adopt and implement a new IEP. **Additional forms may be needed if making any changes to the IEP.** 

# **Transfers from another state**

Step 1: Enroll the child.

Step 2: To the extent possible, provide services comparable to those in the IEP from the former school district. If determined necessary, the school district may conduct an evaluation (as long as it continues to provide the services in the current IEP) or develop, adopt and implement a new IEP. Additional forms may be needed if making any changes to the IEP.

**Step 3:** If the plan is to develop a new IEP, within 10 days after the date of the child's enrollment the school district must provide written notice to the parents, including the proposed date of the IEP meeting. Since the parents have the right to a 10-day notice of any IEP meeting, this would mean that the district would have a MAXIMUM of 20 days to notify parents and develop, adopt and implement a new IEP. **Additional forms may be needed if making any changes to the IEP.** 

The school district must take reasonable steps to obtain a copy of the child's records, including the IEP from the former school district. If a copy is not received, the following steps should be followed.

Step 1. Enroll the child.

**Step 2.** Serve the child in a setting the school district believes will meet the child's needs until the current IEP is obtained or a new IEP is developed. In this case, the school district must provide written notice to the parents, including the proposed date of the IEP meeting. Since the parents have the right to a 10-day notice of any IEP meeting, this would mean that the district would have a MAXIMUM of 20 days to notify parents and develop, adopt and implement a new IEP.

\*\*\*IEP PAPERWORK MUST ALL BE MANUALLY ENTERED INTO EMBRACE UPON MOVE IN!!!