SPECIAL EDUCATION

What you need to know...

OBJECTIVES

- Identify what special education is and what it may look like in your charter.
- Prepare for some of the challenges in setting up a special education program.
- Answer any questions you may have.



ACRONYMS YOU NEED TO KNOW

• **IDEA** Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

• **FAPE** Free Appropriate Public Education

• IEP Individualized Education Program

• LRE Least Restrictive Environment

• **SEA** State Education Agency

• LEA Local Education Agency

RDA Result Driven Accountability

• LRBI Least Restrictive Behavior Intervention

• **FBA** Functional Behavior Analysis

• **BIP** Behavior Intervention Plan

WHAT NEEDS TO BE IN PLACE

- Special education director
- Licensed educator to oversee services.

Continuum of services available



CONTINUUM OF SERVICES

- Regular Classes
- Special Classes
- Special Schools
- Home Instruction
- Instruction in hospitals and institutions

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Students
 - Receive grade level core curriculum
 - Test on grade level
 - Meet all graduation requirements



PEOPLE INVOLVED IN SPECIAL EDUCATION AT THE SCHOOL LEVEL

- LEA Representative
- Parent
- Student (if possible)
- General Education Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Related Service Provider



SERVICES PROVIDED

- Assessment
- Speech
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Counseling
- Transportation



POST HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

- Assessments
- Transition Plans
- Substitutions
- Vocational Rehabilitation



DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Facilitation

Mediation

• State Complaint

Due Process



STRONG START

Meet 6 times throughout the year

Assigned a mentor

Homework that helps improve program



THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Parents are looking for options.

• Students of all abilities could enroll.

 Counseling out is against the law.



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