



POLICY 5.725

4-B I recommend that the Board approve adoption of the proposed **revised** Policy 5.725, entitled “Exceptional Student Education Policies and Procedures (SP&P).”

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Adoption

CONSENT ITEM

- This policy codifies the Board’s obligation to submit to Florida Department of Education (FDOE), every three years, its “Exceptional Student Education Policies and Procedures” (SP&P).

- The SP&P document, attached and incorporated into the policy, has been recently amended by the FDOE, to incorporate revisions to some of the State Board of Education Rules and Florida Statutes.

- This is a summary of the revisions to the SP&P 2013-2014 through 2015-2016. There are four (4) sections to the document that have been revised pursuant to the directive of the FDOE. Below are the sections and page numbers of the SP&P document that have been modified:

- General Policies and Procedures (Page 21-22) *Section B Assurances*

- Information to be provided at initial meeting of a student’s IEP team regarding the amount district receives from the state appropriation.
- Parents and school district personnel attending meetings shall sign a document stating whether district personnel attempted to discourage parents from inviting person of their choice to meeting.
- Collaboration of Public and Private Personnel – the student’s public instructional personnel and principal consent to the time and place.
- The private instructional personnel satisfy the requirements of Fla. Stat. § 1012.32 or 1012.321.
- The provision of private instructional personnel by a parent does not constitute a waiver of the student’s or parent’s right to a free and appropriate public education under IDEA.

- Part 1 General Policies and Procedures (Page 33) *Section C.1 Exceptional Student Education Procedural Safeguards*

- Assurance of notice of Procedural Safeguards will be given upon school district superintendent’s recommendation of extraordinary exemption from state assessment.

- Part II Policies and Procedures for Students with Disabilities (Page 103)
Section C Individual Educational Plan

Separate parental consent for the following actions:

- Administration of alternate assessment and instruction in state standards access points curriculum.
 - Placement of a student in an ESE center school.
 - Change in students IEP related to alternate assessment, access points or ESE center school placement
 - Least restrictive environment and placement determinations
- Part II Policies and Procedures for students with Disabilities (Page 117)
Section E Participation in State and District Assessments
- Extraordinary exemption for students with disabilities
 - Based upon the documentation provided by the IEP team, the school district superintendent shall recommend to the Commissioner of Education whether an extraordinary exemption for a given assessment administration window should be granted or denied.
- The SP&P reflects the revisions required by the FDOE and were recently approved by FDOE.

To view the student policies and procedures please visit:

<http://www.palmbeachschools.org/chiefcounsel/PolicyDevelopment.asp>

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1 **EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (SP&P)**

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3 **1. Purpose**

4 The School Board of Palm Beach County (Board) desires to ensure the School
5 District's compliance with Fla. Stat. § 1003.57(1)(a) 4 and State Board of Education
6 Rule 6A-6.03411(2), requiring once every three years, for the School District to
7 submit to the Department of Education its proposed procedures for the provision of
8 special instruction and related services for exceptional students.

9 **2. General Statement of Policy**

10 The School Board hereby adopts and approves for the Palm Beach County School
11 District the "Exceptional Student Education Policies and Procedures (SP&P) with
12 effective dates of ~~2009-2010~~ 2013-2014 through 2011-2012" 2015-2016, as may
13 be amended or updated by or at the direction of the Department of Education or
14 State Board of Education, as attached and incorporated by reference. A copy of
15 the [Student Education Policies and Procedures \(SP&P\)](#) document is available in
16 the District's ESE Department and is online on the District's ESE Department's
17 website.

18 **3. Responsibility**

19 a. Questions concerning this policy should be directed to the Department of
20 Exceptional Student Education.

21 b. The Superintendent is responsible for ensuring that this policy is followed.

22 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Fla. Stat. §§ 1001.41(2); 1001.42(2~~5~~7)

23 LAWS IMPLEMENTED: Fla. Stat. §§ 1001.42(4) (l); 1003.57(1) (a)
24 4; 1003.438; 1008.25

25 HISTORY: 3/28/2007; 12/5/07; 8/12/2009; 3/30/2011-ER; 7/27/2011; 6/6/2012;
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Legal Signoff:

The Legal Department has reviewed proposed Policy 5.725 and finds it legally sufficient for adoption by the Board.

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Attorney Date