

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to set forth the position of the school board on the need for special educational services on the part of some students participating in NWSISD programs or activities.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The school board recognizes that some students need special education, and further recognizes the importance of providing a free appropriate public education and delivery system for students in need of special education.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. It is the responsibility of NWSISD member school districts to identify, evaluate and provide special instruction and services for disabled children who are properly their responsibility and who meet the criteria to qualify for special instruction and services as set forth in Minnesota and federal law.
- B. NWSISD member school districts shall ensure that all qualified disabled children who wish to participate in NWSISD programs and activities are provided the appropriate and necessary special instruction and services needed to permit their participation.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 124D.03 (Enrollment Options Program)
Minn. Stat. § 125A.02 (Definition of Child with a Disability)
Minn. Stat. § 125A.027, 125A.03, 125A.08 and § 125A.15 and 125A.29 (District Obligations)
29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq. (§ 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973)
20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. (IDEA, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act)

Cross References: NWSISD Policy 402 (Disability Nondiscrimination)
NWSISD Policy 521 (Student Disability Nondiscrimination)

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