

CHARTER SCHOOL INITIAL APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

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ISBE 23 ILLINOIS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 226.10 SUBTITLE A SUBCHAPTER f SUBPART A: GENERAL

Section 226.10 Purpose

This Part establishes the requirements for the treatment of children and the provision of special education and related services pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (also referred to as "IDEA") (20 USC 1400 et seq.), its implementing regulations (34 CFR 300, as amended by 71 Fed. Reg. 46540 (August 14, 2006, no later amendments or editions included)), and Article 14 of the School Code [105 ILCS 5/Art.14]. This Part also distinguishes between requirements derived from federal authority and those imposed additionally pursuant to Article 14 of the School Code or the authority of the State Board of Education. The requirements of IDEA, its implementing regulations, and this Part shall apply in every instance when a child is or may be eligible for special education and related services. (Source: Amended at 31 III. Reg. 9915, effective June 28, 2007).

Pursuant to the authority of the Illinois State Board of Education under 105 ILCS 5/27A-7(a)(15), the proposal must outline a plan for the provision of special education services.

CHARTER SCHOOL NAME	DISTRICT/AUTHORIZER NAME AND NUMBER		
ADDRESS (Street, City, State, Zip Code)	TELEPHONE (Include Area Code)	FAX (Include Area Code)	
	DATE OF APPLICATION SUBMISSION		
GRADES TO BE SERVED	TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS TO BE SERVED)	
CONTACT NAME	CONTACT TELEPHONE (Include Area Code)	CONTACT E-MAIL	

Overall percent of Students with Disabilities:	District Level:	Charter School:

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Review #	Date
Instructions for required co	orrections AND clarification:

I. APPLICATION PROCESS

	PLEMENTATION OF SERVICES QUIRED INFORMATION	TITLE OF STAFF AT CHARTER SCHOOL AND DISTRICT WHO WILL WORK IN PARTNERSHIP TO ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICES	FOR ISBE USE ONLY
Explain what activities are implemented to ensure that parents understand that all children, including children with disabilities, are eligible to participate in the lottery and that the school will provide a continuum of services to address the student's special education needs. (34 CFR 300.209(a)) (105 ILCS 5/27A – 4(a)) (23 IAC 226.60)			Approved See below

II. CHILD FIND

ISBE REQUIREMENTS	PROPOSED STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICES ACCORDING TO REQUIRED INFORMATION	TITLE OF STAFF AT CHARTER SCHOOL AND DISTRICT WHO WILL WORK IN PARTNERSHIP TO ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICES	FOR ISBE USE ONLY
Explain how Child Find activities are implemented to identify any students who may be eligible for special education services and how these activities are coordinated between the charter school and the district. Also, include a reference to ensuring timeliness of identification by the student's third birthday. (34 CFR 300.111(a)(1)(i-ii)) (23 IAC 226.100(a)(1-3))			Approved See below

III. EVALUATION AND DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

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a) Referral system – describe steps for Initial evaluation and Reevaluation; Provide assurances that in accordance with state and federal law, that RtI/MTSS services will not exclude or deny a special education evaluation or service. (34 CFR 300.301) (34 CFR 300.303) (34 CFR 300.305) (34 CFR 300.306) (23 IAC 226.110)			Approved See below

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b) Evaluation – describe how the areas for evaluation are determined;			Approved See below
(34 CFR 300.304(a) (34 CFR 300.304(c)(4)) (34 CFR 300.307) (34 CFR 300.309) (23 IAC 226.110(c)(3)(B))			

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c) Timelines – describe the timelines and how they will be met for:			Approved See below
 c.1 initial evaluation; c.2 yearly review or c.3 development of IEPs; c.4 tri-annual reevaluations; c.5 sending required Notice and Consent forms to parents; and 			
c.6 progress reported on IEP			
annual goals. c.7 independent evaluation at public or private expense. c.8 implementation timeline of IEP (34 CFR 300.301(c)(1)(i-ii)) (34 CFR 300.303) (34 CFR 300.304(a)) (34 CFR 300.320(a)(3)) (34 CFR 300.321(b)(1)) (34 CFR 300.322(a)) (34 CFR 300.324(b)(1)(i)) (34 CFR 300.503) (23 IAC 226.110(d)) 60 day (23 IAC 226.110(j)) (23 IAC 226.120) (23 IAC 226.120) (23 IAC 226.20(a)) (23 IAC 226.520) (23 IAC 226.530)			

IV. PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

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Describe the provisions for parent involvement in the Special Education process, indicating what efforts are made for parental education, notification and participation. (34 CFR 300.34(c)(8)) (34 CFR 300.322(b-f)) (23 IAC 226.530)			Approved See below

V. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT

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Indicate how the full continuum of Special Education environment and related services in the Least Restrictive Environment will be determined. (34 CFR 300.114(a)(2)(ii)) (34 CFR 300.116(b)) (34 CFR 300.324(a)(1)(i-iii)) (34 CFR 300.503(b)(6))			Approved See below

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 a) Services – describe how all services and resources required by a student's IEP will be provided, including but not limited to accommodations, LRE setting, and related services; Provide assurances that in compliance with state and federal law, (i) the charter school will not discriminate based upon a child's need for special education services; and (ii) any decision made that a child will not be educated at the Charter School because of the need for special education and related services will only be made after the IEP team's consideration of the educational environment options (taking into consideration all available educational resources such as accommodations AND related services) and the IEP team's determination that the Charter School's educational program and services do not meet the child's individual needs. (34 CFR 300.116(b)(1)) (34 CFR 300.320(a)(7)) (34 CFR 300.320(a)(7)) (34 CFR 300.321(a)) (34 CFR 300.324(a)(1)(ii)) (34 CFR 300.324(a)(1)(ii)) (34 CFR 300.324(a)(1)(ii)) (34 CFR 300.324(a)(2)) (23 IAC 226.210) (23 IAC 226.220(c)) 			Approved

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b) Functional Assessments of Behavior			Approved
 describe this provision; (34 CFR 300.324(a)(2)(i)) (34 CFR 300.530(d-f)) (23 IAC 226.75) 			See below

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 c) Behavior Intervention Plans – describe how these will be implemented; Provide assurances that in accordance with state and federal laws, BIPs shall not interfere with students human rights (34 CFR 300.530(d-f)) (23 IAC 226.750(a)) 			Approved

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d)	Discipline – describe what and how discipline will be managed with special education students; (34 CFR 300.530(b-e))		ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICES	Approved See below

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e) Transition planning – describe the methods used for agencies' involvement, participation of agencies in IEPs, and tracking post- graduation implementation; (34 CFR 300.320(b)) (34 CFR 300.43) (23 IAC 226.230(c))			Approved See below

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f)	Transportation – describe provisions for this service; (34 CFR 300.34(c)(16)) (34 CFR 300.107(b)) (23 IAC 226.750(b))			Approved See below

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g) Extended School Year – describe how extended school year services will be provided. (34 CFR 300.106(a-b)) (34 CFR 300.320(a)(5)) (34 CFR 300.320(a)(4)(ii))			Approved See below

VII. PARTICIPATION IN ASSESMENTS

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a)	College board, state, local, and/or alternate assessment – indicate how an appropriate assessment testing is determined by the IEP team; (34 CFR 300.320(a)(6)) (23 IAC 226.230(a)(2))			Approved See below

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b)	College board, state, and local assessment accommodations – indicate how assessment accommodations will be determined and made for students with disabilities whose IEPs require accommodations;(34 CFR 300.320(a)(6))			Approved See below

VIII. CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

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Provide method of access to records, access controls in place, and guidelines for appropriateness of special education documents in temporary files. (FERPA) (20 USC 1232g) (23 IAC 226.740) (34 CFR 300.610 - 300.627) (105 ILCS 10) (23 IAC 375)			Approved See below

IX. SPECIAL EDUCATION PERSONNEL

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Describe how the charter school will perform background checks as well as credential verification of its prospective special education personnel. (105 ILCS 5/10-21.9) (34 CFR 300.18)			Approved See below

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Describe how the charter school will determine and monitor general education class composition and special education class size to remain in compliance with federal and state requirements. (23 IAC 226.730(a-c))			Approved See below