

## **INSTRUCTION**

### **Special Education**

It is the intention of the Board of Trustees of Berryessa Union School District to provide appropriate, free education for every individual with exceptional needs who is a district resident and whose age is between 3 and 14.9 years of age on or before September 1st. In addition, early educational opportunities may be made available to children younger than three years of age who require intensive special education and services. Individuals with exceptional needs must have been identified by an Individualized Education Program (IEP) team as pupils with a disability as defined by the California Master Plan for Special Education, P.L. 92-142 and P.L. 101-476, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The Superintendent/designee is directed to offer referral and identification procedures and to report to the Board and the County Superintendent of Schools, all pupils with disabilities who are participating in a special education program.

The Superintendent/designee shall notify the parent of every individual with exceptional needs who is eligible for one or more of the programs authorized by the state and federal government of the availability of such programs, and shall provide information regarding the availability and type of program offered in the district, other districts, in county programs and California state schools.

### **Evaluation of Special Education Program**

The Superintendent/designee shall make an annual special education program report to the Board of Trustees regarding the number, type and location of programs. The report shall include recommendations from parents or parent advisory groups, administration and staff for improvements or changes needed in programs or services.

Legal References: **California Education Code**  
Sections 56000-56875

5 CCR Sec. 3000-4670 20 USC Sec. 1400 et seq.

Policy

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