

Special Education, Special Education Evaluation, and Discipline Policy Submission Requirements and Review Criteria

Purpose

The following document describes the submission requirements for Local Education Agencies (LEAs) who wish to adopt the <u>Vermont Special Education Procedures and Practices Manual</u> published by the Agency of Education (AOE) as policy, as well as the review criteria the AOE uses to review LEA-published policy in lieu of adopting the AOE manual.

Policy Submission Requirements

For LEAs adopting the AOE published manual:

For LEAs who have adopted the <u>Vermont Special Education Procedures and Practices</u> <u>Manual</u>, published by the AOE, two documents must be submitted:

- A signed attestation form (Appendix A in the manual);
- <u>VTSBA's Policy D7</u> (or a document with the same content).

If the LEA previously adopted the Vermont Special Education Procedures and Practices Manual, published by the AOE, and submitted the two documents described above during a previous monitoring cycle or other communication with Special Education Program Monitoring, a current copy of the above documents must be submitted.

For LEAs choosing to create their own policies in lieu of adopting the AOE published manual:

For LEAs who have not adopted the Vermont Special Education Procedures and Practices Manual, published by the AOE, the following submissions are required:

- Special Education Policies
- Special Education Evaluation Policies
- Discipline Policies

In order to be considered compliant, submitted policies MUST, at a minimum, contain content equivalent to the Vermont Special Education Procedures and Practices Manual, i.e., in line with all pertinent statutes.

Contact Information:

If you have questions about this document or would like additional information please contact: the <u>Special Education Monitoring Team</u>.