# Monthly SPED Webinar

Special Education Programs 2024-2025 School Year September 17, 2024



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State Library Resources Accessible Educational Resources for your students are available through your SPED dept.

We have materials and curriculum in core subjects such as math, science, history, English including STEM.

Materials include Textbooks, educational materials in Braille/Large Print, Audio "Talking Books," print/Braille and tactile materials.

Contact Manager: Kathleen Slocum at 605-773-8438 or email Kathleen.Slocum@state.sd.us

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# Professional Learning Platform

- Stay up-to-date on current guidance and earn continuing education contact hours (CECHs)!
- In-person trainings, virtual webinars, and on-demand courses are available now and throughout the school year on the Professional Learning Platform:
  - https://sded.sd.gov/
  - Search "IEP" or "SPED" for all trainings offered by the Office of Special Education Programs
- For resources/support, visit:
  - https://doe.sd.gov/SDED/index.aspx



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# Interim Assessment Workshops

- For students with disabilities taking the regular assessment, Interim Assessments available in TIDE:
  - Are an excellent instructional resource towards grade-level skills.
  - Increase familiarity and comfort level with the state assessment platform.
  - · Can help improve Indicator 3 (proficiency of students with disabilities) on the state assessments.
- Register for a 10am-3pm (local time) Interim Training:
  - October 1 Aberdeen
  - October 2 Watertown
  - October 3 Sioux Falls
  - October 9 Pierre
  - October 10 Rapid City
- Questions? Email Rebecca Frerichs in the Office of Assessment.

# SPED Connection Highlights

#### LRP SPED Connections subscription is required to access the following resources:

- · Questions to ask IEP team members during the IEP meeting
- Mainstreaming, inclusion: Weigh implications for IDEA compliance
- Make in-school suspensions foolproof to prevent IDEA, discipline dilemmas
- Summer 2024 Circuit Court rulings offer key insights on IDEA, 504 compliance
- · Recognize, address when summer skill regression goes beyond norm

Join the SpedConnection email Listserv



Contact your public school district special education director for login access. If you have any questions about your subscription access, please contact Wendy.Trujillo@state.sd.us.





## Found at

https://doe.sd.gov/sped/accountability.aspx

Districts were auto-generated into years.

District review year potentially changed.

- Policy: a course or principle of action adopted or proposed by a government, party, business, or individual.
- · Procedure: an established or official way of doing something.
  - a: a particular way of accomplishing something or of acting
  - b: a step in a procedure
- · Practice: Carry out, apply
  - To do or perform often, customarily, or habit



# Policy, Procedures, Practice Examples

Policy	Procedure	Practice
Anti-Bullying Policy	Reporting methods Who will handle Process to handle How will parents be notified Documentation	When bullying occurs, did the district follow the written procedures.  Evidence procedure followed.
Special Education Adult Agency Invite for Transition:  (3) To the extent appropriate, with the consent of the parents or a student who has reached the age of majority, identify any other agency	Step 1: IEP team discusses possible outside agency to invite.  Step 2: Get written consent to invite the outside agency.  Step 3: Send meeting invitation with	File contains documentation on PPWN, consent, meeting notice, IEP meeting in correct order.
that is likely to be responsible for providing or paying for transition services and that will be invited to send a representative.	the outside agency consent given.  Step 4: IEP meeting and document if attended or not.	

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# District next steps

- Policy
  - Comprehensive Plan
  - Student Handbook
- Procedures
  - Do you have written procedures for staff to follow?
    - · Written referral process in all buildings and followed?
    - When students are disciplined, who notifies the appropriate special education staff on number of removals student has to date?
    - Preparation prior to evaluations (review existing data): who reviews information, how long prior to re-evaluations complete process, who sends PPWN consent, etc.

# Additional Written Procedure

- Sped Connections: Obligations to Publicly Placed Private School Students
  - South Dakota referred "Publicly Placed" as out of district placements.
- The district selects appropriate assessments and other evaluation materials:
  - How often do you update evaluations?
  - Staff meet the qualifications to give evaluations and are trained. This includes contracted or cooperative staff.
  - Do you have a variety of assessments to support variety of students and areas?

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# PPWN Consent: New Format Available

It is found on the Individual Education Program site: <a href="https://doe.sd.gov/sped/IEP.asp">https://doe.sd.gov/sped/IEP.asp</a>
☐Under Notices/Consent
DPPWN Consent Guidance Evamples found under the "Documents" section

## Why format change?

- ☐ Align with the process.
- Understandable
- Accessible

### ☐ District Impact

- Not required to change
- ☐ Campus by 25-26 (maybe sooner)

New PPWN Consent (8.15.2024) Format Page 1

Found at

☐ Page 1

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- Document parent input was included in process
- ☐ A and B added clarification content.

DATE SENT:
STUDENT NAME:
PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME:
SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL:
SIMS NUMBER:
BIRTHDATE AND CURRENT AGE:
GRADE:

Purpose of Notification: The school district must give written notice and receive written consent whenever the school district proposes to conduct an evaluation or reevaluation of your child.

- ☐ Initial evaluation to determine:
  - Whether your child is a child with a disability,
  - The educational strengths and needs of your child and
  - Whether your child needs special education or special education and related services.
- ☐ 3-Year Reevaluation to determine:
  - Whether your child continues to be a child with a disability,
     The educational strengths and needs of your child and
  - Whether your child continues to need special education or special education and related services
- ☐ Additional Evaluation: (specify)

□ Other

Documentation of Parent Input into the Evaluation Process:

- A. Explanation of why the district proposed or refused to take the action: (When reviewing student data, information, and input from the team, what does the district propose to do for the evaluation and why?)
- B. Description of other options that the IEP team considered and the reasons why those options were rejected: (When reviewing student data, information, and input from team, what evaluation considerations did the team reject and why?)

New PPWN Consent (8.15.2024) Format

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- C and D added clarification statementsDocument existing
- data/information first.25 school day evaluation list
  - is updated.
  - ☐ Accessible
  - Align to eligibility requirements

C. Description of each evaluation procedure, assessment record or report the district used as a basis for the proposed or refused action: (What current student data, pre-referral, diagnosis, evaluations, educational information, and input from the team does the district and parent already have to make evaluation decisions about the student?)

D. Description of other factors that are relevant to district's proposal or refusal: (Any other factors that may impact evaluation of the student, considerations for a later date, or general concerns that may not directly impact special education considerations.)

The district is proposing to use the following existing evaluations or information, including skill based, to be pulled forward for eligibility (identified in description of evaluations (C):

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Area/Information	Related Documentation (diagnosis, screening	Date(s) completed	
	information, classroom data, etc.)		

The following evaluations or information will be completed within the 25-school day timeline after receiving your written parental consent:

written parental conse	IIC.		
☐ Ability	☐ Academic Achievement	☐ Observation	☐ Adaptive Behavior
☐ Language	☐ Articulation	□ Fluency	☐ Social Communication
☐ Behavior	☐ Functional Behavior Assessment	☐ Social/Emotional	☐ Autism Specific Instrument
☐ Fine Motor	□ Sensory	☐ Gross Motor	☐ Visual Motor
☐ Developmental Del Emotional (before age		iations in Cognitive, Adaptiv	ve, Motor, Communication, Social or
☐ Chronic/Acute Health (Diagnosis)	☐ Audiological (Hearing)	☐ Ophthalmological (vision)	☐ Medical data for Orthopedic Impairment
☐ Transition assessme	ent for post school planning	(initial prior to age 16)	•
Other:			

Note: Skill Based (educational impact and need for specialized instruction) information will be conducted and a report will be completed in all areas identified.

## New PPWN Consent (8.15.2024) Format Page 3

What other information doe	S
the team need?	

- Document who they can contact at district/agency if questions.
- ☐ New: check box if include the SD Parental Rights document with the notice.

Other information the team determined relevant for eligibility and programming (to be completed within the 25school day timeline):

on our annual		
☐ Current Medical Data/Records	☐ Hearing screening	□ Braille
☐ Developmental History	☐ Vision screening	☐ Orientation/Mobility
□ Other	□ Other	☐ Assistive Technology

If you have questions or concern about the proposed plan, please contact	
at	

#### Parental Rights Resources:

You have protections under IDEA procedural safeguards. If you need a copy of these <u>procedural safeguards</u> or assistance understanding your rights, please contact the person noted above or South Dakota Parent Connection at 1-800-640-4553. The SD Parent Rights and Procedural Safeguard handbook can also be found at <a href="https://doe.sd.gov/sped/parentalrights.aspx">https://doe.sd.gov/sped/parentalrights.aspx</a>.

☐ SD Parental Rights and Procedural Safeguard handbook was provided with the notice.

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New PPWN Consent (8.15.2024) Format Page 4

- ☐ Extension of 25 school day evaluation timeline at bottom.
- ☐ It includes reason extension and evidence of agreement with parent to extend.
- ☐ Extensions for rare situations

DATE Sent:	
STUDENT NAME:	
(Sign and return	his page to the district, previous pages should be kept for your records.)
	my child to be evaluated in the areas identified on this consent form. I have a copy of my nd procedural safeguards that explains due process procedures.
	<u>SENT!</u> for my child to be evaluated in the areas identified on this consent form. I have a copy of ts and procedural safeguards that explains due process procedures.
Parent/Guardian	ignature:

Date consent was received by the district:

Evaluations must be conducted within 25 school days or by the extension date. Date to be completed by:

Determination of eligibi	ity made within 30 calendar da	ys. Eligibility must be determined by :		
Reasonable effort was i	nade to gain parent consent:			
1st Contact Date	Method	Response		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Contact Date	Method	Response		
3rd Contact Date	Method	Response		
If needed, extension of 2 For District Use	5-school day evaluation timeli	ne due to unique circumstance (24:05:25:0	3, 24:05:25:06)	
District and parent agreed to extend the evaluation timeline to this date due to (reason)				
The new 30 day calendar date for eligibility meeting will be by				
	This agreement was documented through phone, email, meeting, or other means on this date:			

Note: Parents must be given a copy of their procedural safeguards upon initial or parent request for evaluation. If this notice is not an initial referral for evaluation, a copy of procedural safeguards may be obtained from district administration.

<sup>1</sup> Consent definition can be found in Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) 24:05:13:01



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# **BDI** Reminders

- The DOE subscription provided to school districts includes electronic record forms (ERFs) each year to complete and submit student data online
  - The number of kits your district gets is set by the number of kits DOE purchased for your district, additional kits and supplies can be purchased by the district.
- Districts are responsible for purchasing paper student protocols and workbooks
  - Purchasing information can be found at Riverside website
    - https://riversideinsights.com/battelle\_3e
- Districts are responsible for entering student data accurately and reviewing to ensure accuracy
  - DOE will be contacting some districts to update student and district data in Riverside Score due to errors identified during collection this year.

# 2023-2024 Indicator 8 Parent Survey Results

- 2023-2024 results of the Parent Involvement Survey have been posted to SD-STARS.
- Districts under target in Parent Involvement or in Response Rate were notified.
- · District Reports on SD-STARS give valuable data on how parents rated your district SPED program!
  - Ratings on each survey question regarding parent involvement.
    - What is your district doing well? What does your district need to improve on?
  - Demographic data on respondents.
    - · Do demographics of respondents represent demographics of parents? Ex: Race/Ethnicity
  - Trends over the years.
    - How do districts results look over time?
- Contact Stacy. Holzbauer@state.sd.us with questions.

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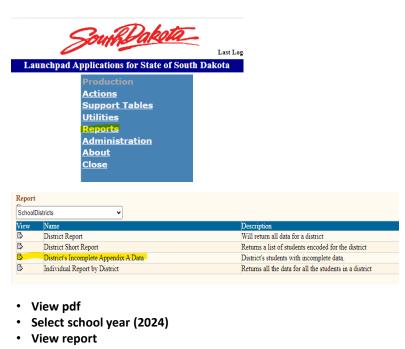
#### Friday, November 1

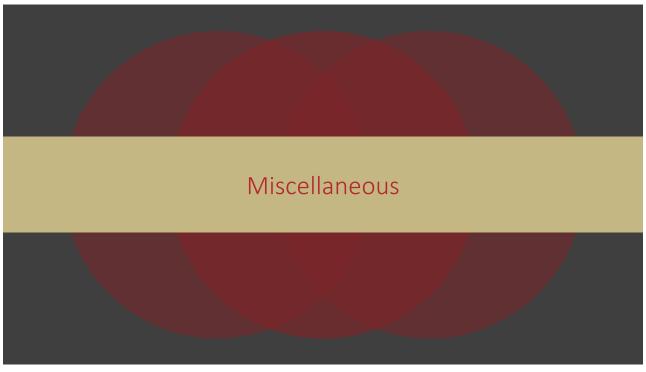
- Districts need to:
  - Check uploaded information for accuracy
  - Complete questions
    - Part 2: 16, 17, 20, 21 AND
      Parent/Guardian contact Information

#### **SAVE**

- 'How To' document found at <a href="https://doe.sd.gov/sped/SPP.aspx">https://doe.sd.gov/sped/SPP.aspx</a>
- Contact Lori (<u>Lori.Kwasniewski@state.sd.us</u>)
   if student:
  - · Returned to school
  - Listed twice
  - · Transferred to another district

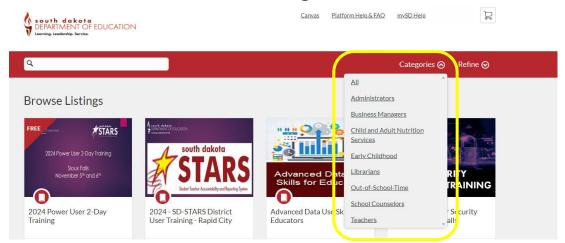






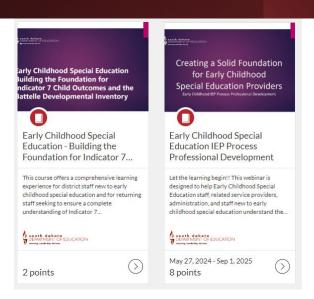
# Two Free Canvas Classes: Early Childhood Special Education

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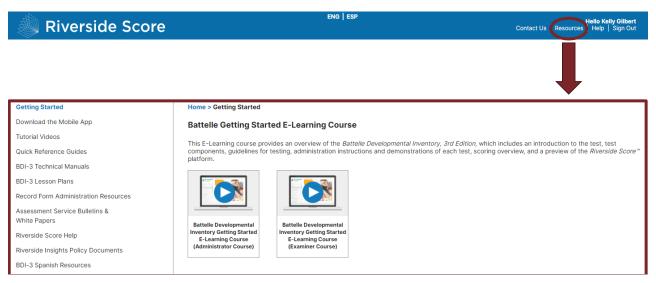


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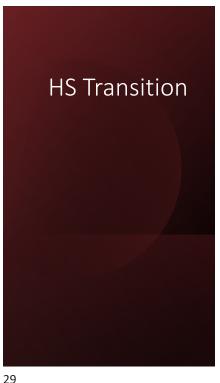
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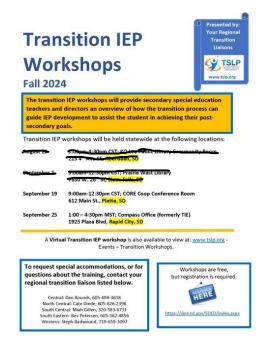


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# Riverside BDI-3 Academy

- Enhancing use of the BDI-3 through additional training
- To access this resource please email Kelly.Gilbert@state.sd.us
  - Your school will get a log in to use this resource
- Topics Include:
  - Overview of the BDI-3
  - BDI-3 Domains
  - BDI-3 Administration
  - Using Riverside Score and the MDS with BDI-3
    - MDS = Mobile Data Solutions









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