

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS
South Dakota School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Approved Program Accountability Review Report 2025-2026

Dates of Review: October 20, 2025

Date of Report Sent to the Program: December 9, 2025

All noncompliance must be corrected within 1 year of this report date.

Date Closed: August 28, 2026



Program monitoring and evaluation.

In conjunction with its general supervisory responsibility under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, Special Education Programs (SEP) of the Division of Educational Services and Support shall monitor agencies, institutions, and organizations responsible for carrying out special education programs in the state, including any obligations imposed on those agencies, institutions, and organizations. The department shall ensure:

- (1) That the requirements of this article are carried out;
- (2) That each educational program for children with disabilities administered within the state, including each program administered by any other state or local agency, but not including elementary schools and secondary schools for Native American children operated or funded by the Secretary of the Interior:
 - (a) Is under the general supervision of the persons responsible for educational programs for children with disabilities in the department; and
 - (b) Meets the educational standards of the state education agency, including the requirements of this article; and
- (3) In carrying out this article with respect to homeless children, the requirements of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended to January 1, 2007, are met. (Reference- ARSD 24:05:20:18.)

Deficiency correction procedures.

The department shall require local education agencies to correct deficiencies in program operations that are identified through monitoring as soon as possible, but not later than one year from written identification of the deficiency. The department shall order agencies to take corrective actions and to submit a plan for achieving and documenting full compliance. (Reference-ARSD 24:05:20:20.)

Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) are located at <https://sdlegislature.gov/Rules/Administrative/14003>

The program had the following ARSDs identified for noncompliance:

24:05:27:01.02. Development, review, and revision of individualized education program.

24:05:27:01.03. Content of individualized education program

24:05:28:02. Continuum of alternative placements.

24:05:30:04. Prior notice.