

Reevaluations & Independent Educational Evaluations



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Topics for Today

- Reevaluations
 - When required
 - When can request
 - Parent consent
- Independent Educational Evaluations
 - Why request
 - What happens
- Resources



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What is a Reevaluation?

- Evaluation to see if a child continues to be eligible for special education
- IEP Team (Parents!)
- Notice (RE-1)
- Reeval. required:
 1. Parent or Teacher Request
 2. Before removal
 3. Every 3 years

NOTICE OF REEVALUATION
Form REC-1 (Rev. 02/2009)

SCHOOL DISTRICT

(If you need this notice in a different language or communicated in a different way, or have questions about the notice, please contact _____)

Date: _____ Date: _____

This letter is to inform you that the _____ School District intends to reevaluate your child. The school district must reevaluate your child if the educational or related services needs of your child warrant a reevaluation, or you or your child's teacher requests a reevaluation. However, a child is not to be reevaluated more than once a year unless you and the school district agree. The school district must also reevaluate your child at least once every three years unless the school district and you agree that a reevaluation is unnecessary. The purpose for this reevaluation is to determine whether your child continues to have a disability (impairment and need for special education), and to identify your child's current educational needs. The reasons that the school district intends to reevaluate your child as:

1. The school district received a request for a reevaluation on _____ from:
 - a. The parent (insert name)
 - b. The child's teacher (insert name)
 - c. Other (specify): _____
2. The school district determined that the educational or related services needs of your child warrant a reevaluation (insert describe): _____
3. The last evaluation/reevaluation of your child was completed on _____ and therefore a reevaluation is due.

The individualized education program (IEP) team is responsible for this reevaluation and will conduct this reevaluation as soon as possible. You are a participant in the IEP team. You may include others on the IEP team who have knowledge or special expertise about the child.

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3-Year Reevaluations

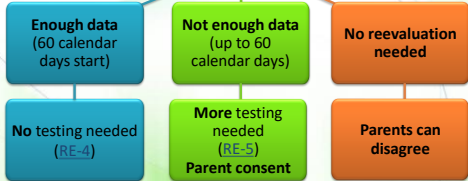
- Law requires a Reevaluation every 3 years
- IEP Team decides if child is still eligible:
 1. Disability +
 2. Needs
- Notice of Reeval. sent to parents (RE-1)



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Understanding Reevaluations

Reevaluations
Up to 15 business days to review existing data
IEP Team meets to determine child's continued eligibility & special education needs (ER-1)



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Special Education Removals

When child no longer needs special education

- A reevaluation is required before removal
 - School/Parent can make the request to remove, OR,
 - Removal can result from a 3-year reevaluation review
- IEP Team writes the report
- School must notify parent in writing (ER-4)



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Requests for Reevaluation

- Parent or teacher may request any time (1/year)
- Parent & school must agree if over 1/year (RE-2)
- Possible reasons:
 - Not originally found eligible & still struggling
 - New areas of concern
 - Different or additional disability
 - Going to college soon



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Independent
Educational
Evaluations
(IEEs)

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What is an IEE?

- Evaluation by qualified examiner who is not employed by the school
- Public expense under certain conditions
- Or, parents' expense
- WI Info Bulletin [99.02](#)



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When to Ask for an IEE?

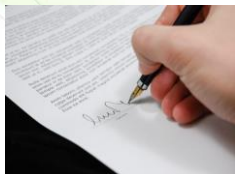
- When parent disagrees with IEP team's evaluation of their child, as:
 - Who did it (qualifications)
 - How it was done (assessment tools, methods, only 1 test)
 - Results of evaluation
 - IEP content resulting from evaluation
- Only **one** IEE for each evaluation the school does



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How Does an IEE Work?

- **After** eval/reeval done
- **Request in writing**
- **School response:**
 - Provide IEE at public expense
 - **OR**, request Due Process Hearing
- **Parent picks examiner**
 - Check school criteria first
 - Unique circumstances
- **School considers results**
- **Sends parents notice of IEP Team decision**



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Private IEEs

- Private IEE anytime
- Parents can share private IEE with school
- School must consider the private IEE results
- School not have to pay for private IEE



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Resources

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That's It for Today!

- Register – www.wifacets.org
- Please complete your evaluation.
- Questions? WI FACETS 877-374-0511

THANK YOU!

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