

To: Tim Schlosser, Superintendent and Simpson County School Board Members

From: Kelly Baker, Specialized Instructional Programs Consultant

Date: 7/25/23

Re: Special Education Procedure Amendments

Amendments were made to 707 KAR 1:340 (3) and (4) which became effective July 1, 2022. The amendments were made in order to clarify the difference between an Admissions and Release Committee (ARC) meeting notice to parents and prior written notice provided to parents when a local education agency proposes or refuses to initiate or change the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of a student. The amendments also clarify the content of the notices and establish the timeframes in which each notice must be provided to parents.

In addition, amendments were made to 707 KAR 1:002 (29) and (65) on March 30, 2023. The amendments of section 1(29) deleted language that specifies ranges of hearing loss necessary to establish hearing impairment eligibility. The amendment of section 1(65) deleted language that prescribes the specified loss of visual acuity necessary to establish visual impairment.

As a result of these amendments, our district's current special education procedures will need to be amended to reflect these changes. Attached you will find the highlighted corresponding sections for these amendments that need approval by the board. Revisions were made to the following sections and pages of the policy and procedures:

- Definitions: page #'s 5, 9, and 10
- Procedural Safeguards: page #'s 34 - 68
- Eligibility: page #'s 97 and 104

Please let me know if you have any questions.

With kind regards,

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