

The Lyme School District Special Education Policies and Procedures

SAU #76 Lyme School District makes available special education services required to ensure a free and appropriate public education to all children ages 3 to 21 determined to have an educational disability. The services provided address each child's identified special education and related services needs. Services and placement within the least restrictive environment are determined in response to the child's individual needs and continue until the student has earned a high school diploma or reaches age 21, whichever occurs first. The Lyme School supports an inclusive philosophy for all students with disabilities. We believe that the primary educational environment for all students with disabilities is a regular education environment in a regular classroom setting. Teachers provide a wide variety of instructional approaches and differentiation to help all students be successful within the district's curriculum standards.

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires that each District maintain an updated Special Education Policies and Procedural Manual, also called the Local Educational Agency or LEA Plan, that outlines the procedures the District follows in implementing IDEA to ensure the local agency will administer the special education program in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, program plans and applications. In order to receive IDEA federal funds, it is necessary that we assure that we are following the special education process as outlined in the New Hampshire Rules for the Education of Children with Disabilities.

The Lyme School District's LEA Plan is located at the Lyme School and any community members who may wish to review this or has questions or concerns regarding the special education process at the Lyme School is invited to be in contact with Miki McGee, Director of Student Services, at mmcgee@lymeschool.org

