

## EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR

1. The Slate Valley Unified Union School District provides special education and related services to each student who has been found to be eligible for such services as required by law. It is recognized that it may be necessary in some instances to provide such services to a student over an extended school year (ESY). That is, a period beyond the regular school year in order to **maintain a student's skills** from one year to the next.
2. Such a student shall be offered extended school year special education and related services if the student has been determined by the IEP team to be eligible for special education and related services in accordance with state and federal regulations within the last three years; **and** where the IEP team has determined:
  - a. that specified extended school year services are an essential (not simply beneficial) component of the student's IEP, in that benefits accrued to the student during the regular school year would be significantly jeopardized if the student were not provided particular special education and/or related services during the summer months; **or**
  - b. that a summer break without specified special education and/or related services is likely to cause the student to suffer severe regression and such loss of skills, combined with limited recoupment ability, will significantly increase the likelihood of the student failing to achieve IEP goals or objectives.
3. Procedures implementing this policy shall be revised as necessary by the superintendent or his/her designee.
4. Steps shall be taken by special education personnel to inform parents of the existence of this policy, of implementing procedures, and of their right to challenge decisions concerning the ESY services through the dispute resolution options outlined in federal and state special education regulations.

*Date Warned: April 12, 2018*

*Date Adopted: April 23, 2018*

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