



Washoe County School District

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Welcome to the Washoe County School District! You are receiving this notice because recently, you have requested an initial evaluation of your child through the District's Child Find process. Please be aware of the following procedural protections:

The Washoe County School District (WCSD) is required by law to act on the referral in a reasonable period of time and issue a Prior Written Notice proposing or refusing to evaluate the student. For those students the WCSD proposes to evaluate, the WCSD must provide the parent a request for consent for evaluation in a reasonable period of time and complete the initial evaluation in 45 school days after WCSD receives parental consent; timely determine eligibility and schedule an IEP meeting to develop the student's initial IEP no later than 30 days of the determination that the student needs special education and related services. NAC §§388.281(6)(e) and (13)(a), 388.337 (1)(a); C.F.R §§300.301(c), 300.323(c).

The Washoe County School District is under an Order of Corrective Action for systemic noncompliance in the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years with regard to the timeliness of WCSD's preschool Child Find Process and the timely provision of FAPE in preschool programs for students with disabilities.

For students who were not offered an evaluation and subsequent initial IEP in a timely manner, the WCSD is offering compensatory services for failure to comply with the IDEA, NRS, and NAC. If you would like more information regarding compensatory services or if you believe that there has been a denial in FAPE in regards to the timely evaluation of your child and would like compensatory services, please contact:

Ms. Suzanne Anthony
Special Education Administrator, Child Find
(775) 327-0685
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If you have questions or concerns after initiating the WCSD compensatory education procedures, please contact:

Ms. Christi Hines-Coates
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The Order for Corrective Action for WCSD's failure to comply with the IDEA, NRS, and NAC does not limit the parent's access to appropriate dispute resolution procedures available under the IDEA, NRS, and NAC.