

Consortium for Exceptional Children

Serving Almont, Dryden and Imlay City Community Schools

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Fall 2020 Special Education FAQs

1. Will IEPs be held during remote/virtual learning?

Yes, teachers will be holding IEP meetings both in person and virtually. Staff will be reaching out to you to schedule your child's IEP.

2. Will my student have a Contingency Plan?

Every student with an IEP or IFSP, from birth through age 26, will have a Contingency Learning Plan (CLP). The CLP is a document separate from the IEP or IFSP that is developed by a child's IEP or IFSP team, in collaboration with parents, to detail what services and supports your child will receive from special education providers during remote instruction, virtual instruction and long-term school closures for the 2020-21 school year.

3. Will virtual/remote special education services look the same as in person?

During virtual/remote learning, special education services and supports will look and feel different; however, it is our intent to provide students with IEPs and IFSPs with regular, consistent, meaningful lessons, facilitated by our special education teachers and service providers.

4. How will services be provided to students? Will they have 1:1 or small group direct instruction sessions?

For virtual/remote learning, students will receive individualized or small group direct instruction lessons from special education teachers and service providers during normal school hours. The services each student will receive will be documented on the Contingency Learning Plan. The frequency of those sessions might not be exactly what is in the current IEP; however, students will have regular direct contact with special education providers through the virtual learning platform or scheduled virtual meetings.

5. What if my child cannot wear a mask?

The district's roadmap plan includes a medical exemption form that you will need to have signed by your child's doctor and submitted to the building which they attend. If they cannot wear a mask, we will ask if they can tolerate a face shield. If your child cannot wear a face shield, please have the doctor document that as well on the form.

6. What if my child's IEP or evaluation was due last spring during the closure and was not held?

All overdue IEPs and evaluations will be given priority at the beginning of the school year and will be completed prior to October 1st, 2020. Special Education staff will be reaching out to you to schedule those meetings.

7. Who can I contact regarding Special Education Services in my child's district?

The Special Education Coordinator for Almont, Dryden and Imlay City is
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