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Definitions

- ❖ **District of Location (DOL):** School district where private school is located.
- ❖ **District of Residence (DOR):** School district in which the child resides.
- ❖ **Tri-City SELPA:** Special Education Local Plan Area (e.g., SMMUSD, BHUSD, CCUSD).
- ❖ **Service Plan (SP):** Consult between DOL and private school – no direct service.
- ❖ **Private School Children with Disabilities:** Children with disabilities enrolled by a parent in a private elementary or secondary school



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SMMUSD
Parentally Placed
Private School
Students with
Disabilities:
K-12 FAQ

What do I need to know?

- ❖ The Tri-City SELPA is responsible for locating all students in elementary or secondary schools with disabilities or suspected of disabilities voluntarily enrolled by their parents.
- ❖ SMMUSD is part of a Greater Los Angeles Area SELPAs (GLASS) agreement indicating the District of Residence (DOR) will complete assessments for children attending private school.
- ❖ This information applies to parentally placed K-12 students only.



Frequently Asked Questions:

My student attends private school and already has an IEP, what are my options?

- ✓ You may agree to attend or request an annual IEP each year and triennial IEP every three years through the DOR.
- ✓ Your student may be re-evaluated every three years by the DOR.
- ✓ Your student would be eligible to receive a Service Plan (SP), which is consult time between the DOL and private school staff.

My student may have a disability and require an IEP, what are the next steps?

- ✓ Request a special education evaluation from DOR. In SMMUSD please contact private school liaison, Stacey Ovadya (info. on back).
Information will be requested, including grade history, attendance, release of information to speak with private school, previous assessments, etc. in order to move forward.
- ✓ If an assessment is appropriate, an assessment plan will be offered. Once the signed assessment plan is received, assessment will be completed within 60 days.
- ✓ An IEP meeting will be held at the DOR, to review assessments and determine eligibility. Private is invited.

My student attends private school in Santa Monica/Malibu and lives in Santa Monica/Malibu- who is responsible?

- ✓ SMMUSD (DOR) is responsible for the Service Plan, the IEP's, and assessments.

My student attends private school in another city and lives in Santa Monica/Malibu- who is responsible?

- ✓ The DOL is responsible for the Service Plan and SMMUSD (DOR) is responsible for IEP's and assessments.

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