
Special Education Diploma, Rule

The Background:

Public Chapter No. 772 of the 107th General Assembly directs that a special education diploma shall be awarded to students who have satisfactorily completed an individualized education program and have satisfactory records of attendance and conduct, but have not met the proficiency testing requirements under 49-6-6001.

Implementation of this law requires the State Board of Education to amend the Rule 0520-01-03-.06(2)(a)2 to change the name of the document awarded from an IEP Certificate to a Special Education Diploma.

The Recommendation:

The SBE staff recommends adoption of these amendments on final reading.

Special Education Rule

- 1) Amend Rule 0520-01-03-.06(2)(a)2 by deleting the section in total and substituting instead the following language:

A special education diploma may be awarded at the end of their fourth year of high school to students with disabilities who have (1) not met the requirements for a high school diploma, (2) have satisfactorily completed an individualized education program, and (3) have satisfactory records of attendance and conduct. Students who obtain the special education diploma may continue to work towards the high school diploma through the end of the school year in which they turn twenty-two years old.