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Washington County Schools has a duty under federal legislation entitled the Individuals with Disabilities Improvement Act (IDEIA) to seek out and evaluate students suspected of having educational disabilities and provide appropriate service. Accordingly, by use of letters, e-mails and public postings in the local newspaper, private school and representatives of parentally-placed private school children, or children being homeschooled were invited to a consultation meeting this past spring. The following topics will be discussed during the consultation process with those who attended:

- The child find process and how parentally placed private school children suspected of having a disability can participate equitably in special education and related services, including how parents, teachers and private school officials will be informed of the process.
- The determination of the proportionate amount of federal funds available to serve parentally placed private school children with disabilities, including determination of how the amount was calculated.
- The consultation process among the local educational agency, private school officials, and representatives of parents of parentally placed private school children with disabilities, including how the process will operate throughout the school year to ensure that parentally placed private school children with disabilities identified through the child find process can participate in special education and related services.
- How, where and by whom special education and related services will be provided for parentally placed private school or homeschooled children with disabilities, including a discussion of types of services, including direct services and alternate service delivery mechanisms, how such funds will be apportioned if funds are insufficient to serve all children, and how and when these decisions will be made;

To petition Washington County Schools for private/home school services for a child already determined to be a child with a disability, or for an initial evaluation, the parent must contact the Special Education Department at (423) 753-1112.

If a child with a disability is enrolled in a religious or other private/home school by the child's parents and will receive special education, a meeting can be conducted by the LEA to develop a Service Plan for the child.

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