

1 **Board Policies**

Blair-Taylor School District

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STUDENTS
SCHOOL ADMISSIONS
STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES PLACEMENT
INDEPENDENT EDUCATIONAL EVALUATIONS
(IEE)

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11 An evaluation done by qualified people outside of school is called an independent educational
12 evaluation, or IEE. If the parents do not agree with the evaluation and testing done by the school
13 district, they can request that the school pay for an IEE. A parent may only have one IEE for
14 each evaluation done by the school district.

15 The district must tell parents where they can get an IEE when the parent asks. The
16 school also must tell the parents about the school's IEE criteria. Parents can pick who
17 will do the IEE, but the people who do the IEE must be at least as qualified as the person
18 doing the testing for the school. Districts can set up policies or criteria for IEEs. The
19 school's criteria can say who can do IEEs and where IEEs can be done. The criteria
20 must be the same as what the district uses when it has its own evaluator do evaluations.

21 When a parent asks for an IEE (in writing is best) at district expense, the district has two
22 choices. Without unnecessary delay, the district must either pay for the IEE or file for a
23 due process hearing to argue that its evaluation was appropriate or that the IEE did not
24 meet the criteria of the law.

25 If the district goes to a due process hearing and the hearing officer says the district is
26 right, the parents may still have an IEE done, but then the parents pay for it.

27 No matter who pays for an IEE, parents can bring the results to the IEP team. The IEP
28 team must talk about the results of the IEE as it makes special education decisions.

29 Parents can also use the results of an IEE they paid for in a due process hearing. If a
30 hearing officer orders an IEE as part of a due process hearing, the district must pay for it.

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