



Special Education Notification OPT OUT Form

What is the SEA and LEA Notification?

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires Early Intervention / Infant Learning Programs (EI/ILP) to ensure a smooth transition for all children from early intervention to preschool or other appropriate services at age three. This includes requirements to notify the special education program in your school district (the LEA or Local Education Agency) and the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (the SEA or State Education Agency) that your child will shortly reach the age of 3 and is potentially eligible for preschool services.

34 CFR §§303.209(a)-(b)

What Information is Shared?

The IDEA allows Alaska EI/ILP to provide limited personally identifiable information (primary family contact name, address, phone number and child name, gender and date of birth) to school districts and the SEA when the child reaches 27 months of age unless you choose to “opt out” of this notification. No other information about your child’s EI/ILP services, evaluations, or assessments) is released unless you give your written consent.

34 CFR§ 303.401(e)

What are Your Options?

You may choose to:

- Sign this form and “opt out” of notification. If you sign this form within one month of enrollment (or within 10 days if your child enrolls less than 90 but more than 45 days before his/her third birthday), no information will be sent to the LEA or SEA. If you decide to make a referral for special education later, your EI/ILP program will ask for your consent to send referral information to the school district. If you decide to opt-out of the notification and later change your mind, it is important to understand that this may delay your child’s eligibility determination for preschool special education and a gap in services may occur.

OR

- Not sign this form. If you choose not to sign this form or do not sign within the required timeline, limited personally identifiable information must be sent to the LEA and SEA. Your family may receive information by mail or phone from your school district explaining their preschool services.

(Check the box below and sign only if you want to “opt out” of notification.)

I choose not to have my and my child’s limited personally identifiable information sent to my local school district and the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development.

Child’s Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent(s) Signature: _____

Service Coordinator Signature: _____ Date: _____