

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS DIVISION  
SPECIAL EDUCATION COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION

**Complaint Case:** C-003-24

**Public Agency:** Laramie County School District #1

**Issues Investigated and Decision:**

1. Whether the District provided the Student a free appropriate public education (FAPE) consistent with the IDEA and its implementing regulations at 34 C.F.R. §§ 100.17 and 300.101. Specifically,

a) Whether the District developed and implemented an individualized education program (IEP) that was reasonably calculated to result in educational benefit in light of the Student's unique educational, behavioral, and functional needs consistent with 34 C.F.R. § 300.320.

**WDE finds the District noncompliant. The omission of direct service in the area of physical therapy constitutes a denial of FAPE.**

b) Whether the District provided special education and related services in conformity with the Student's IEP as required by 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.17(d) and 300.320(a).

**WDE finds the District noncompliant. The disconnect between the adaptive physical education goal and the services provided represents a procedural violation.**

2. Whether the District complied with IDEA's procedural requirements. Specifically,

a) Whether the District unilaterally made decisions regarding the Student's need for extended school year (ESY) services consistent with 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.106, 300.320 through 300.324.

**WDE finds the District noncompliant. The determination for amount, frequency, duration, and location of ESY service was made by a single staff member and is a procedural violation of the IDEA.**

- b) Whether the District provided prior written notice (PWN) consistent with the requirements of 34 C.F.R. § 300.503.

**WDE finds no violation. The District regularly issued PWN when triggered under the IDEA.**

- c) Whether the District permitted amendments to the Student's IEP consistent with 34 C.F.R. § 300.324(a).

**WDE finds no violation. No evidence in the record supports a conclusion that the District was unwilling to permit IEP amendments.**

- d) Whether the District obtained the Complainant's informed consent consistent with 34 C.F.R. § 300.300 when conducting health screenings and observations.

**WDE finds no violation. Screening does not constitute an evaluation under the IDEA. Informed parental consent was not required.**

- e) Whether District responded to the Complainant's request for an independent educational evaluation (IEE) pursuant to 34 C.F.R. § 300.502.

**WDE finds the District noncompliant. The District failed to appropriately respond to the Complainant's request for an IEE.**

The district is required to correct the identified violations via a corrective action plan. The WDE will monitor and document compliance with the corrective action order. Once all corrective action is complete, the WDE will close the case.