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## OCONEE COUNTY SCHOOLS

March 30, 2022

Dear Homeschool & Private School Parents of Oconee County,

According to IDEA 2004, school systems must engage in timely and meaningful consultation with representatives of private school and with parents on homeschool students about the provision of special education and related services for parentally placed private school children attending private schools within the school system's jurisdiction and parentally placed homeschool children within the school system's jurisdiction.

The consultation process would include specific discussion of the following topics:

- a. How parentally placed private school children and homeschool children suspected of having a disability can participate equitably in the Child Find process.
- b. How the parents, teachers, and private school officials will be informed of the Child Find process.
- c. How the determination of the proportionate share of federal funds available to serve the children with disabilities was calculated.
- d. How the process will operate throughout the school year.
- e. How, where, and by whom the special education and related services will be provided.
- f. How funds will be apportioned if funds are insufficient. How and when those decisions will be made.
- g. How the local system will provide to the private school officials and homeschool parents a written explanation of the reason why they chose not to provide services directly or through a contract.

### **IDEA: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act**

IDEA funds are used to provide supplemental instruction and support for students with disabilities.

If you would like to discuss services, please contact Suzanne Korngold, Special Education Director at [skorngold@oconeeschools.org](mailto:skorngold@oconeeschools.org) or 706-769-5130 ext 1202.

Cordially,

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