Side-by-Side Comparison of the Current Connecticut IEP and the New IEP

For New IEPs Created After July 1, 2022



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Introduction

In the summer of 2018, the Connecticut State Department of Education's Bureau of Special Education (BSE) initiated a process to revise the individualized education program (IEP) document used to record supports and services for students receiving special education and related services in Connecticut.

In partnership with the IEP Revision Stakeholder Group and input from education partners across the state, the BSE created a new IEP document that is designed to be easier for both educators and parents to use and understand.

Over the past few years, the work of improving the IEP document has been complemented by the development of a new comprehensive professional learning series on developing high quality IEPs, as well as a new Connecticut Special Education Data System (CT-SEDS), which will be used to generate IEPs starting July 1, 2022.

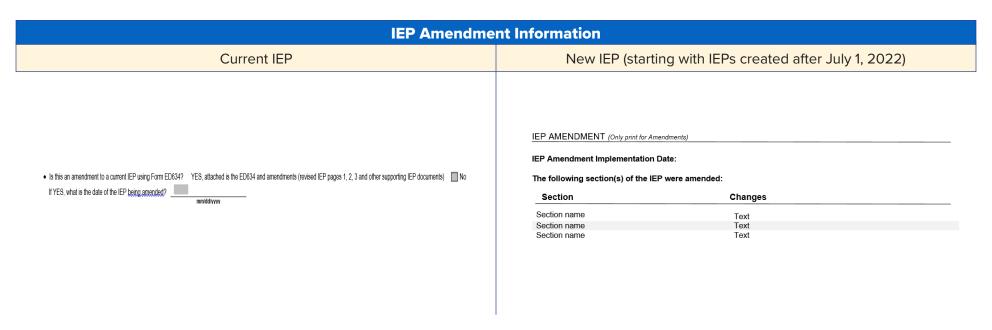
In preparation for the transition to the new IEP document and the CT-SEDS platform, this resource was developed to provide a high-level overview of the differences between Connecticut's current and new IEP document.

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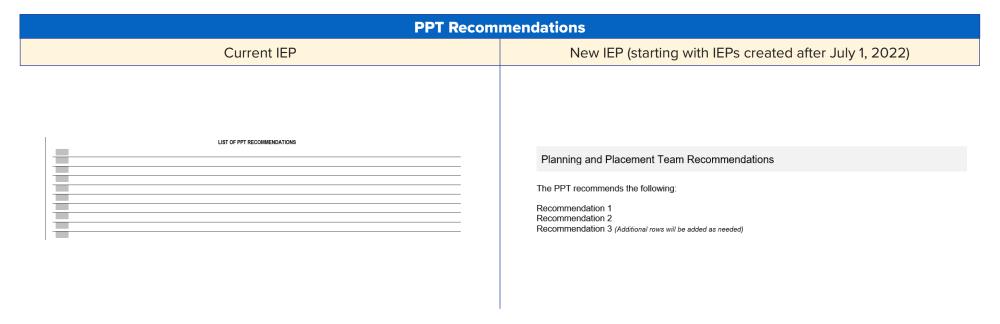
Student Student	Information	
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created af	ter July 1, 2022)
PLANNING AND PLACEMENT TEAM (PPT) COVER PAGE Current Enrolled School:	Student Name: SASID: Case Manage Date of Birth: Parent/Guard Current Grade: Current Enrolled School: Most Recent Evaluation Date: Most Recent Annual Review Date: Surrogate Parent: (if applicable) Reason for Meeting:	er dian Name: ability: Year:

Changes: Some data will still be collected and stored in CT-SEDS but not printed on the IEP document.

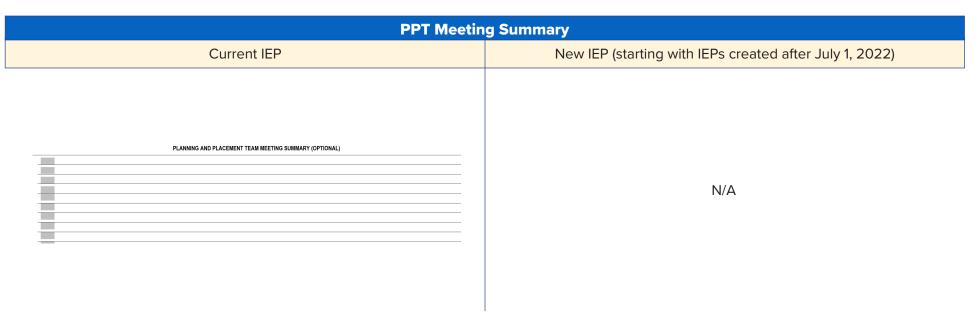


Changes: The IEP Amendment section will contain more details on what revisions were made.

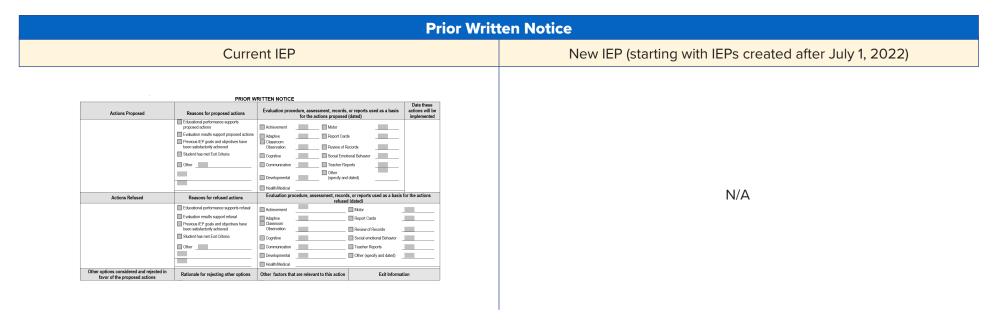
		PPT Me	mbers	
	Current IEP		New IEP (starting wi	th IEPs created after July 1, 2022)
Admin Designee:	Team Member Present (required) Spec Educ Teacher:	PLANNING AND PLACEMENT TEAM (PP Name Student Name Parent/Guardian Name Name 1 Name 2	PT) MEMBERS PRESENT Role Student Parent/Guardian Role 1 Role 2	
<u> </u>		1 Address of student's primary residence \$ May choose more than one	Name 3 (Additional rows will be added as needed)	Role 3



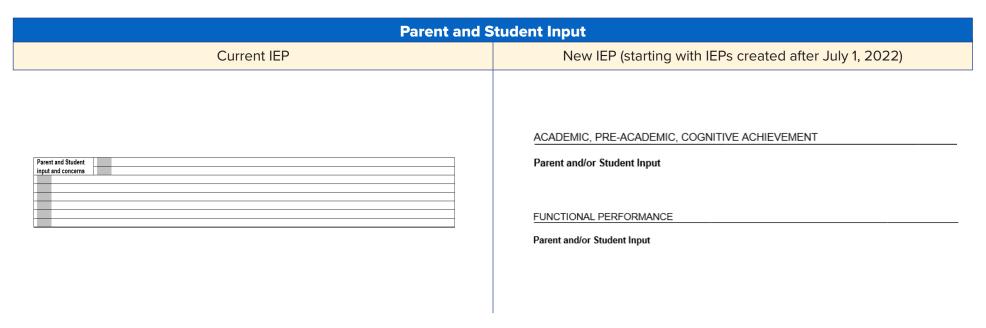
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Changes: The optional PPT Meeting Summary is not part of the new IEP but will be available as a separate document.



Changes: Prior Written Notice will be a separate document and not part of the new IEP; formatting is significantly different.



Changes: Input will be collected separately for (1) academic achievement and (2) functional performance.

Present Levels of Performance and Impact Statement		
Current IEP New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)		
Area Strengths Concerns/Needs and progress in the general education curriculum or appropriate preschool activities. Academic/Cognitive Language Arts: Age Appropriate	GOAL AREA: (E.g., Reading) Present Level of Performance Strengths Concerns/Needs Impact of student's disability on involvement and progress in the general education curriculum or appropriate preschool activities	

Changes: Present Levels information will be collected for each Goal Area and be printed above the annual goals related to the goal area.

Transition Planning — Student Preferences			
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)		
Summarize student preferences/interests as they relate to planning for transition services:	Summary of the student's preferences and interests Text appears here		

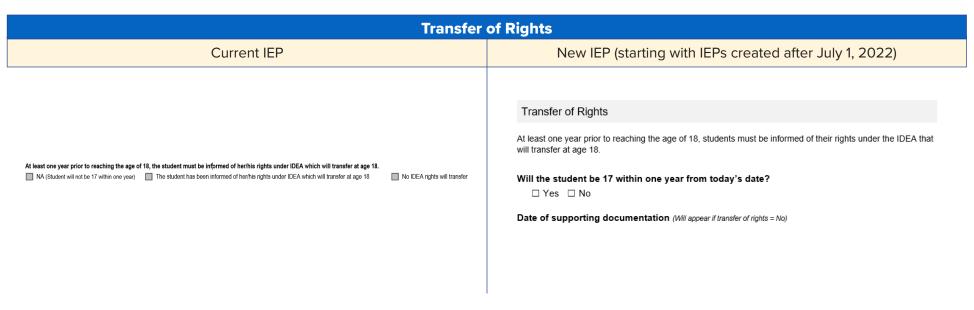
Transition Planning — Transition Assessments Current IEP New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022) **Transition Assessment** Date Example 1 Example 2 Date Date **Assessment Data Summary** Enter summary information here Age Appropriate Transition Assessment(s) performed: (Specify assessment(s) and dates administered) History of transition assessments Transition Assessment Date Example 1 Example 2 Example 3 Date Date Date

Changes: A list of previous transition assessments will be included.

Transition Planning — PSOGS		
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)	
Post-School Outcome Goal Statement(s) and Transition Services recommended in this IEP a) Post-School Outcome Goal Statement - Postsecondary Education or Training: Annual goal(s) and related objectives regarding Postsecondary Education or Training have been developed and are included in this IEP b) Post-School Outcome Goal Statement - Employment: Annual goal(s) and related objectives regarding Employment have been developed and are included in this IEP c) Post-School Outcome Goal Statement - Independent Living Skills (if appropriate): Annual goals and related objectives regarding Independent Living have been developed and are included in this IEP (may include Community Participation)	Postsecondary Outcome Goal Statements Postsecondary Education or Training Employment Independent Living Skills	

Transition Planning — Course of Study		
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)	
The course of study needed to assist the child in reaching the transition goals and related objectives will include (including general education activities): Student has completed academic requirements; no academic course of study is required – student's IEP includes only transition goals and services.	Course of Study Has the student completed academic requirements? ☐ Yes ☑ No Course of Study: Description of coursework and/or activities needed to assist the student in achieving postsecondary goals, from the student's current year to the anticipated exit year Anticipated Exit Criteria: The student will be exited from special education upon:	

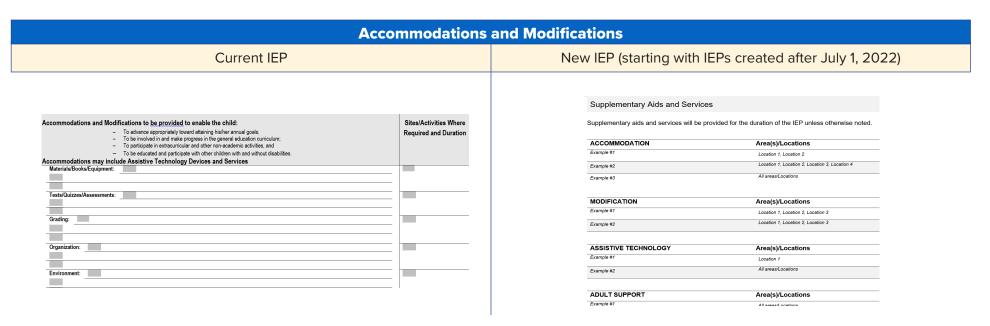
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Changes: Includes the upload of supporting documentation for cases in which parental rights do not transfer.



Changes: Short-term Objectives will include a schedule for progress monitoring and a "by when" date for the achievement of objectives; Related CT Core Standards (or ELDS) will be included for Academic Goals; Associated related services will be indicated.



Changes: The Supplementary Aids and Services section will include: Accommodations, Modifications, Assistive Technology, and direct Adult Support. Specific locations/classes will be selected for each.

Supports for Personnel		
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)	
Note: When specifying required supports for personnel to implement this IEP, include the specific supports required, how often they are to be provided (frequency) and for how long (duration) Frequency and Duration of Supports Required for School Personnel to Implement this IEP include:	Indirect Services Are supports required for school personnel to implement this IEP? Yes No (If Yes, the following will appear) Supports required for school personnel to implement this IEP include: Service Goal ID Frequency Duration Staff Start Date End Date	

Changes: The services that are currently recorded on the bottom of page 8 (e.g., consultation, classroom para) will be documented in the Indirect Services section of the new IEP

Statewide Assessments		
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)	
Check the grade the student will be in when the test is given. Grade Pre-K. Grade K. Grade 1 Grade 2 Grade 3 Grade 4 Grade 5 Grade 6 Grade 7 Grade 8 Grade 9 Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12 Standard Assessments and Alternate Assessments Smarter Balanced Assessments (Grades 3-8), Connecticut SAT (Grade 11) and the Connecticut Alternate Assessments (CTAA), include English Language Arts and Mathematics (Grades 3-8 & 11). Standard Science Assessment or Alternate Science Assessment required in Grades 5, 8 and 11. Assessment Options: (Select ONE Option) 1. Smarter Balanced Assessments (Includes Standard Science Assessment - Grades 5 & 8) 2. CTAA- (Includes Alternate Science Assessment for Grades 5, 8, and 11) ★ 3. Connecticut SAT and Standard Science Assessment (Grade 11) Administration Options - Accommodations will be provided. (Select One Option): The student is participating in the Smarter Balanced Assessments & Standard Science Assessment and requires designated supports and/or accommodations* The student is participating in the Connecticut SAT & Standard Science Assessment and will request accommodations*	The student will participate in the Smarter Balanced Assessment. Assessment: Assessment Name Participation With Accommodations Designated Supports and Accommodation(s) Example 1 Example 2 The student will participate in the Next Generation Science Standards Assessment. Assessment: Assessment Name Participation With Accommodations Designated Supports and Accommodation(s) Example 1 The student will participate in the CTAA Assessment. Assessment: Assessment Name Participation With Accommodations Designated Supports and Accommodation(s) Example 1 Designated Supports and Accommodation(s) Example 2 Designated Supports and Accommodation(s) Example 3	
	Example 1	

Changes: Individualized statewide assessment information will be included based on each student's grade, type of assessment, and need for designated supports or accommodations, which for Smarter Balanced will be submitted directly to the testing vendor on behalf of the district.

ELP Assessments			
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)		
English Language Proficiency Assessment English Language Proficiency Assessment required for all English Learners Grades K-12 Student requires designated supports/accommodations on the ELP assessment	ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (ELP) ASSESSMENT Has the student been identified as an English Learner? Yes No English Language Proficiency Assessment is required for all English Learners Grades K-12. (Display if Yes) The student will participate in the ELP / Alternate ELP Assessment (One option will display) Participation Participation level displayed here – with or without accommodations Designated Supports and Accommodation(s) Example 1		

Changes: The ELP Assessment information will be required if the student has been identified as an English Learner.

Districtwide Assessments			
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)		
Districtwide Assessments (Select all appropriate options.) N/A - No districtwide assessments are scheduled during the term of this IEP. Alternate Assessment(s) ★ Select one of the following options: No accommodations will be provided, OR Accommodations will be provided as specified on Page 8, OR Accommodations will be provided as specified below.	DISTRICTWIDE ASSESSMENTS District Assessment participation displayed here Assessment Example #1 Example #2 Example #3 Designated Supports and Accommodations Displayed here, if any	Participation Example #1 Example #2 Example #3	

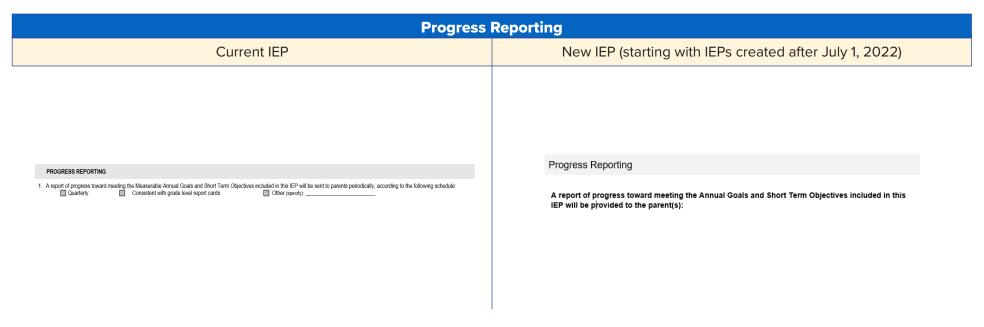
Changes: The name of the district assessment(s) will be included.

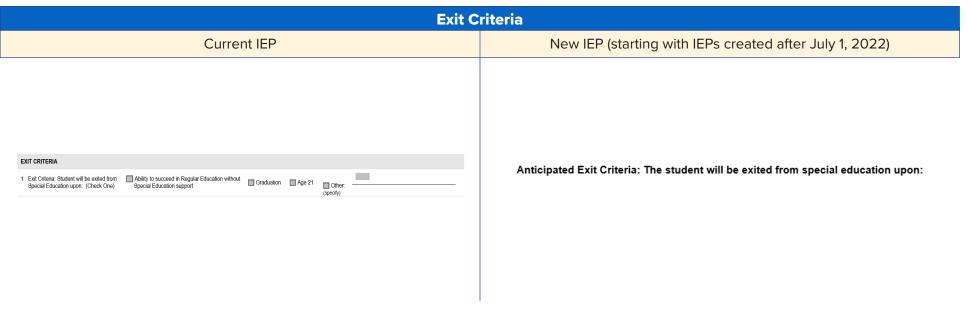
Alternate Assessment Eligibility Form and Justification Statement		
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)	
The Alternate Assessment Eligibility Form must be submitted and approved for Statewide Assessments. The form is recommended for use in determining the need for alternate Districtwide Assessments. Alternate assessments must be specified and a statement provided for each as to why the child cannot participate in the standard assessment and why the particular alternate assessment selected is appropriate for the child.	Alternate assessments must be specified and a statement provided for each as to why the student cannot participate in the standard assessment and why the particular alternate assessment selected is appropria for the student. Statement displays here	

Changes: While technically not part of the IEP, the Alternate Eligibility Assessment Form is built into the CT-SEDS process flow with minor formatting changes

Special Factors Information		
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)	
1. For students whose behavior impedes her/his learning or that of others, the PPT has considered strategies, including positive behavioral interventions and supports to address that behavior, and: IEP Coals and Objectives have been developed to Other (specify):	Special Considerations	

Changes: Special Factors Information is included in the Special Considerations section near the beginning of the IEP.





Changes: Renamed to Anticipated Exit Criteria

Information on IEPs and Secondary Transition					
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)				
INFORMATION ON IEPs and SECONDARY TRANSITION 1. Parents, including Surrogate Parents and the student if 18 or older have been provided ☐ electronically or ☐ in hard copy) with relevant information and resources relating to IEPs created by the CSDE (including, but not limited to, information relating to transition resources and services for high school students) immediately upon the formal identification of any child as a child requiring special education and at each PPT meeting thereafter. ☐ Building a Bridge ☐ Parent's Guide to Special Education ☐ IEP Manual ☐ OTHER: 2. The Parent's Transition Bill of Rights has been provided to parents of students in sixth through twelfth grade to ensure that the PPT discusses transition services. Parent's Transition Bill of Rights. ☐ is available on the school district website; ☐ is enclosed with this document; ☐ was already provided, reviewed and discussed this school year (date)	Resources The following documents were provided to the parent(s) at this meeting on MeetingDate or sent electronically with parental permission: Procedural Safeguards in Special Education Parental Notification of the Laws Relating to Physical Restraint and Seclusion in the Public Schools A Parent's Guide to Special Education IEP Manual Building a Bridge Transition Bill of Rights Other				

Changes: Included in the Resources section of the new IEP.

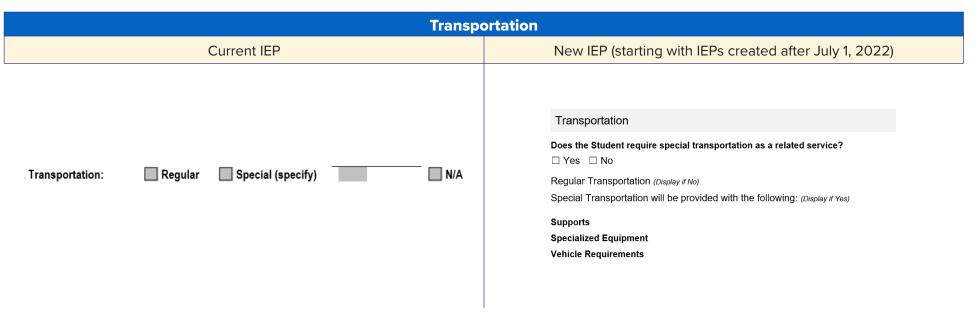
Documents will be made available to parents via the parent portal or can be printed and mailed.

Special Education and Related Services Grids											
Current IEP							New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)				
Special Education Services Goal(s) Frequence # Frequen	y Responsible Staff	Service Implementer	SERVICES, AND REGU Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)			If needed, description of Instructional Service Delivery (e.g. small group, team taught classes, etc.)		Special Education and Related Services SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES Service Goal ID Frequency Duration Staff Staff Service Implementer Start Date End Date Site Instructional Service Delivery Responsible Implementer Start Date End Date Site Instructional Service Delivery RELATED SERVICES Service Goal ID Frequency Duration Responsible Staff Implementer Start Date End Date Site Instructional Service Delivery			

Changes: Minor formatting with a revised list of instructional sites

Special Education and Related Services — Extended School Year (ESY)						
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)					
SPECIAL EDUCATION, RELATED SERVICES, AND REGULAR EDUCATION Special Education Services Goal(s) Frequency Responsible Service Start Date End Date Site* If needed, description of Instructional Service	ESY Services					
# Staff Implementer (mm/dd/yyyy) (mm/dd/yyyy) Delivery (e.g. small group, team taught classes, etc.)	Are extended school year (ESY) services required for the Student to receive FAPE?					
	☐ Yes ☐ No (If Yes, the following will appear)					
	ESY SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES					
	Responsible Service Instructional					
Related Services	Service Goal ID Frequency Duration Responsible Service Staff Implementer Start Date End Date Site Service Delivery					
1. Regular Classroom 2. Resource/Related Service 3. Self-Contained 4. Community- 5. Other:						
"Instructional Site: 1. Regular Classroom 2. Resourcentated Service 3. Sent-contained 4. Community 9. Order: Room Based 9. Classroom Based	ESY RELATED SERVICES					
Extended School Year Services: Not Required Required: See service delivery grid above or an Required: Continue to implement current IEP						
additional page 11 for services to be provided						

Changes: If needed, ESY Services will be documented separately.



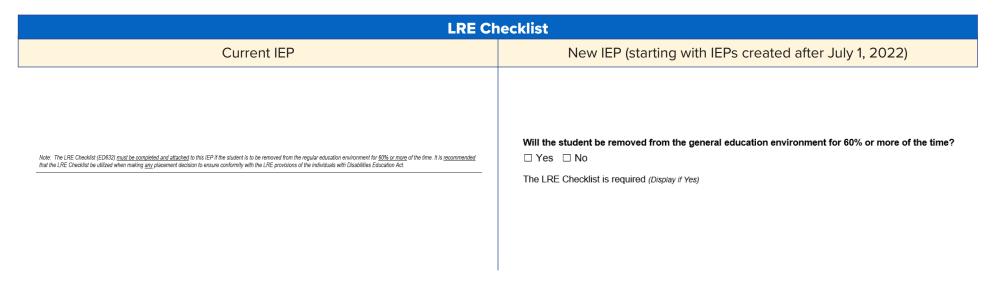
Changes: Special transportation requirements are separated into three categories.

Special Education Hours and Time	with Non-Dis	sabled Pe	ers (TWNDP)		
Current IEP	Nev	w IEP (starti	ng with IEPs cr	eated after J	uly 1, 2022)
Length of School Day: (Specify) Number of Days/Week: (Specify) Length of School Year: (Specify)	SCHOOL YE Length of Sci XXX D Start Date	nool Year	Length of School X.XX Hours Special Education Hours/Week	•	otal School Hours/Week XX Hours Percentage of Time with Non-Disabled Peer
8. Total School Hours/Week: (Specify) 9. Special Education Hours/Week: (Specify) 10. Hours per week the student will spend with children/students who do not	9/4/22	1/22/23	X.XX	XX	XX %
8. Total School Hours/Week: (Specify) 9. Special Education Hours/Week: (Specify) 10. Hours per week the student will spend with children/students who do not have disabilities (time with non-disabled peers):	1/23/23	6/15/23	X.XX	XX	XX %

Changes: More specificity in TWNDP (e.g., a change from Semester 1 to Semester 2) will be provided. CT-SEDS will also allow for displaying different years if IEP is in effect over two school years.

Justification Statement for Removal from General Education Setting							
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)						
13. a) The extent, if any, to which the student will not participate in regular classes and in extracurricular and other nonacademic activities, including lunch, recess, transportation, etc., with students who do not have disabilities: Not Applicable. Student will participate fully	Explain the extent to which the student will not participate in general education classes and non-academic activities with non-disabled peers Justification for the removal from the general education environment						

Changes: Minor formatting



Changes: While technically not part of the IEP, the LRE Checklist is built into the CT-SEDS process flow.

Required Date Collection (Page 12)						
Current IEP	New IEP (starting with IEPs created after July 1, 2022)					
Required Data Collection (Collect and/or update at every PPT) For Children 3 years of age Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) by age 3.	√ Additional Placement Information					
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2. Identify the E.C. Placement Setting where the child spends the majority of the week which is a combination of programming from both pages 2 AND 11: Regular E.C. Preschool or Kindergarten Program E.C. Special Education Program in Separate Class E.C. Special Education Program in Separate School E.C. Special Education Program in Residential Facility Home	At the time of this IEP implementation, will the student be living at a hospital? Yes No (Required)					
Service Provider Location (litinerant Services) – applies only when a child does not spend time in any environment with non-disabled peers Education Placement 3 to 21 years of age 1. Does the student live at any of the following locations? None of these locations (Default-10) Temporary Housing Situation Foster Home, Group Home, Safe Home, Supported Housing, and Temporary Shellters. (02) (Housing that is subsidized by DCF, DDS, DMHAS or other state agency.) Hospital (03) Private Residential Facility (09)	At the time of this IEP implementation, will the student be living at a Private Residential Facility?					

Changes: Some data elements will be collected during the IEP development process.

