Differentiated Monitoring and Tiered Engagement

Risk Assessment Rubric

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires state education agencies (SEAs) such as the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to oversee IDEA compliance by school districts within the states. The oversight mandate is known as the IDEA "general supervision" requirement. Under this oversight mandate, SEAs must ensure that each student with an individual education program (IEP) within the state receives a free appropriate public education (FAPE). As part of the general supervision process, the KDE's Office of Special Education and Early Learning (OSEEL) is providing Differentiated Monitoring and Tiered Engagement (DMTE) to Local Education Agencies (LEA) as part of its compliance review and results-driven accountability system. The OSEEL differentiates its approach for each LEA based on the LEA's unique strengths and areas for improvement. LEAs are identified as Tier I – Universal Engagement, Tier II – Targeted Engagement or Tier III – Intensive Engagement.

District engagement will be differentiated based on OSEEL's Differentiated Monitoring and Tiered Engagement system. Tier I districts will receive statewide universal guidance, support and technical assistance (TA) in the form of guidance documents, website support and services from OSEEL by request. Tier II districts will receive universal as well as targeted support and TA in the form of statewide or regional training, coaching or content-specific TA. Tier III districts will receive the support available to Tier I and II districts as well as an onsite monitoring review. A district's level of risk is determined by the LEA Annual Determination and the OSEEL's Risk Assessment Rubric.

A district is identified for Tier III and Risk Focused Monitoring (RFM):

- An *Annual Determination* of needs assistance two, needs intervention or needs substantial intervention and has not received a focused monitoring visit in the past two years; **OR**
- An Annual Determination of meets requirements, with a score in the top 5% of all districts on the Risk Assessment Rubric and has not received an on-site focused monitoring visit in the past five years.

Districts can also be identified for Tier III Engagement through:

- 1. Comprehensive Special Education Review
- 2. Kentucky Educational Collaborative for State Agency Children (KECSAC) and Correctional Facilities Monitoring
- 3. Management Audits
- 4. Fiscal Audits

A district is identified for Tier II when noncompliance is discovered through:

1. Self-Assessments

- 2. Indicator desk reviews
- 3. Alternate Assessment: desk reviews, justifications, assurances

All districts are offered Tier I support.

General Risk Measures

	Score = 0	Score = 1	Score = 2	Score = 3
Percentage of students receiving special	Percentage is equal	Percentage is 0.01%	Percentage is 5% to	Percentage is 10%
education and related services	to or less than the	to 4.99% above the	9.99% above the	or more above the
	state average	state average	state average	state average
Timely and accurate submission of data	All required data	Either one	A total of two	More than two
of the IDEA annually:	submitted on or	submission past	submissions late or	submissions are
1) Child Count	before established	established due date	needing	past established
2) Exiting	due date and did not	or one report had to	corrections.	due dates, or
3) Discipline	require any	be corrected.		more than two
4) Indicators 11, 12, 13 Self-Assessments	corrections to the			reports had to be
5) Alternate Assessment	reports.			corrected
6) Personnel				
7) Comprehensive Coordinated Early				
Intervening Services (CCEIS)				
8) Maintenance of Effort (MOE)				
IDEA Formal Written Complaints	No formal complaints	One IDEA formal	Two IDEA formal	Three or more
	with findings of non-	complaint with	complaints with	IDEA formal
	compliance	substantiated non-	substantiated non-	complaints with
		compliance	compliance	substantiated non-
		identified	identified	compliance
				identified
Director of Special Education (DoSE)	Three years or more	Two years of DoSE	One year of DoSE	First-year as a
experience	of DoSE experience in	experience in the	experience in the	DoSE in the district
	the district	district	district	
Significant Disproportionality under the	The LEA is at or	The LEA has one	The LEA is a current	The LEA is above
IDEA (if a district has multiple findings	below the 3.000	year of significant	CCEIS identified	the 3.000

	Score = 0	Score = 1	Score = 2	Score = 3
for significant disproportionality, the	minimum threshold	disproportionality	district or is in year	minimum
highest determination category of those	for the potential	data above the	one of reasonable	threshold for
data is the area to which the overall risk	CCEIS identification	3.000 minimum	progress exit	potential CCEIS
score for this category is assigned)		threshold for		identification for
		potential CCEIS		the past two data
		identification or has		years
		more than one year		
		of reasonable		
		progress exit		

Indicator Risk Measures

Indicator	0	1	2	3
Indicator 4A: Suspension/Expulsion	The district does not			The district does
	have significant			have significant
	discrepancy by race			discrepancy by
	or ethnicity in the			race or ethnicity in
	rate of suspensions			the rate of
	and expulsions of			suspensions and
	greater than 10 days			expulsions of
	in a school year for			greater than 10
	students with IEPs.			days in a school
				year for students
				with IEPs.
Indicator 5a: Educational Environments	The LEA is meeting or	The LEA is below the	The LEA is below	The LEA is below
(School Age)	exceeding the state	state target	the state target	the state target
	target identified on	identified on the	identified on the	identified on the
	the State	SPP and has	SPP and has	SPP and has
	Performance Plan	improved from the	remained constant	declined from the
	(SPP)	previous year	from the previous	previous year
			year	

Indicator	0	1	2	3
Indicator 6a Educational Environments	The LEA is meeting or	The LEA is below the	The LEA is below	The LEA is below
(Preschool)	exceeding the state	state target	the state target	the state target
	target identified on	identified on the	identified on the	identified on the
	the SPP	SPP and has	SPP and has	SPP and has
		improved from the	remained constant	declined from the
		previous year	from the previous	previous year
			year	
Indicator 7: Preschool Outcomes	The LEA is meeting or	The LEA is below the	The LEA is below	The LEA is below
	exceeding the state	state target	the state target	the state target
	target identified on	identified on the	identified on the	identified on the
	the SPP.	SPP and has	SPP and has	SPP and has
		improved from the	remained constant	declined from the
		previous year	from the previous	previous year
			year	
Indicator 8: Parent Involvement	The LEA is meeting or	The LEA is below the	The LEA is below	The LEA is below
	exceeding the SPP	state target	the state target	the state target
	target	identified on the	identified on the	identified on the
		SPP and has	SPP and has	SPP and has
		improved from the	remained constant	declined from the
		previous year	from the previous	previous year
			year	
Indicator 14C: Post School Outcomes	The LEA remained			The LEA declined
	constant or			from the previous
	demonstrated			year.
	growth from			
	previous year.			

Bonus Areas

Timely Grant Management Application	-1		
and Planning (GMAP) application			
submitted in a substantially approvable			
form			
1st Year DoSE Mentorship through OSEEL	-1		
GUIDES			
Participation in Transformation Zone (T-	-1		
Zone)			
Meets Requirements for LEA annual	-1		
determinations for the last five years			