

**RSU #16** (Mechanic Falls, Minot, Poland)

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## **Referral/Pre-Referral of Students with Disabilities**

### **PHILOSOPHY:**

It is the philosophy of the RSU #16 School Board that students who may require special education services should be referred to the Pupil Evaluation Team.

### **POLICY:**

It shall be the policy of RSU #16 School Board to refer all school-age students suspected of having a disability that requires special education to the Pupil Evaluation Team (PET) for an evaluation in the suspected areas of disability. Referrals of students to the PET may be made by professional school staff, by parents, and by other persons knowledgeable about the child's educational needs.

The Superintendent of Schools, in consultation with the Director of Special Education, may develop procedures for referral and use the pre-referral interventions within the local school unit, and may, from time to time, amend those procedures as necessary.

### **AMPLIFYING INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES:**

Referral / Pre-Referral Administrative Procedure, Code IHBAA-R

### **DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY:**

The RSU #16 School Board delegates the authority to implement this policy to the Superintendent of Schools, who may delegate provisions of this policy to the Director of Special Education.

### **LEGAL REFERENCES:**

20 USC §§ 1400 (c)(5)(F)

34 CFR Part 300, App.A., Q.17 (Mar.1999)

Me. Spec. Ed. Reg. ch. 101 §§ 7.7, 9.8, 9.17 (Nov. 1999)

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