

Kansas State Department of Education Request for Comments Indicator 4A and 4B.

The Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) is offering the public the opportunity to comment on the State's methodology on State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) Indicator 4A and 4B.

Dates

Interested stakeholders are invited to submit comments on or before January 28, 2024.

Addresses

Please submit written comments to SESPublicComments@ksde.org or mail comments to Special Education and Title Services, Kansas State Department of Education, 900 SW Jackson Street, Suite 620, Topeka, Kansas 66612.

Public Hearings

The public is also welcome to present comments at public hearings held via Zoom from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 9, and January 16, 2017. To connect via Zoom: https://ksde.zoom.us/j/82792992036

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For Further Information Contact: For specific questions related to KSDE request for comments, please contact Brian Dempsey, bdempsey@ksde.org.

Background

SPP/APR Indicator 4 measures the rates of suspension and expulsion. Specifically, the <u>FFY 2022 SPP/APR Part B Indicator Measurement Table</u> describes SPP/APR Indicator 4A as the:

Percent of local educational agencies (LEA) that have a significant discrepancy, as defined by the State, in the rate of suspensions and expulsions of greater than 10 days in a school year for children with IEPs.

The FFY 2022 SPP/APR Part B Indicator Measurement Table describes SPP/APR Indicator 4B as the:

Percent of LEAs that have: (a) a significant discrepancy, as defined by the State, by race or ethnicity, in the rate of suspensions and expulsions of greater than 10 days in a school year for children with IEPs; and (b) policies, procedures or practices that contribute to the significant discrepancy, as defined by the State, and do not comply with requirements relating to the development and implementation of IEPs, the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and procedural safeguards.



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The table below shows the current information on the left and the recommendations on the right. Recommended changes are highlighted.

<u>Current Information</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
Indicator 4A Definition of Significant	Indicator 4A Definition of Significant
Discrepancy	Discrepancy
Any district that suspends at least 10 special	Any district that suspends at least <mark>1 special</mark>
education students and suspends 2% or more	education student and suspends 3 times or
of its special education population for more	more the state rate of its special education
than 10 days.	population for more than 10 days.

<u>Current Information</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>
Indicator 4B Definition of Significant	Indicator 4B Definition of Significant
Discrepancy	Discrepancy
Any district that suspends at least 10 special	Any district that suspends at least 1 special
education students of a given race or ethnicity	education student of a given race or ethnicity
and suspends 2% or more of students with	and suspends <mark>3 times or more the state rate</mark> of
individualized education programs (IEPs) of a	students with individualized education
given race or ethnicity for more than 10 days.	programs (IEPs) of a given race or ethnicity for
	more than 10 days.

To read the Kansas FFY 2021 SPP/APR please visit, https://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/SES/KIAS/spp/APR-2021B-KS.pdf

To read the FFY 2022 SPP/APR Part B Indicator Measurement Table please visit, https://sites.ed.gov/idea/files/FFY2022-Part-B-SPP-APR-Reformatted-Indicator-Measurement-Table.pdf