



# Exceptional Student Services

Exceptional Student Services ensures that public education agencies in Arizona have special education programs, policies, and procedures that comply with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and its implementing regulations and that eligible children and youth with disabilities receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE). ESS provides professional learning opportunities, provides technical assistance to schools, supports the needs of families of students with disabilities, monitors schools for compliance with the regulations that implement the IDEA, and administers the IDEA Entitlement grant.

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## Professional Learning and Sustainability

- [Behavior, Mental Health, & Social Emotional Learning](#)
- [Literacy](#)
- [Math](#)
- [Recruitment and Retention](#)

## Special Projects

- [Assistive Technology](#)
- [Special Populations](#)
- [Secondary Transition](#)
- [My Future AZ](#)
- [Post School Outcomes](#)

## Dispute Resolution

- [Facilitated IEP](#)

## Early Childhood Special Education

- [Early Childhood Special Education Events](#)
- [Early Childhood Special Education Educator Resources](#)

## Program Support and Monitoring

- [Training Materials](#)
- [Guide Steps](#)
- [Find Your Specialist](#)

## Assessment and Alternate Assessment

- [Testing Calendar](#)
- [Assessments Overview](#)

## Operations

- [Program Management](#)
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## Other Important PD, Resources, and Contacts

[NAU SELECT Courses](#) | [Arizona Academic Standards](#)

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