



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Memorandum

To: Special Education Directors

From: Exceptional Student Services Operational Support

cc: Public Education Agency Administrators
AzEDS Data Coordinators

Date: June 29, 2023

Re: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Parent Information and the AzEDS System

The Arizona Education Data Standards (AzEDS) system will begin collecting an extension of parent information starting in the fiscal year 2024. This additional information is a flag on parent data submitted into AzEDS that identifies the parent as an Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) parent. This flag should be marked for parents who meet the definition outlined in [34 CFR § 300.30](#).

Exceptional Student Services will require public education agencies (PEAs) to indicate an IDEA parent for the dates of any special education program submitted into AzEDS (excluding ancillary services). At a minimum, PEAs must identify that at least one IDEA parent exists, but PEAs may mark multiple IDEA parents concurrently. PEAs must adjust the contact as appropriate for any time span for students with frequent changes in IDEA parents, such as foster children.

Vendors that submit student data to AzEDS on behalf of their clients can find the technical information on the [AzEDS developer website](#). The department has posted use case documents and integrity rules on this web page for the upcoming 2023–2024 school year.

If you have any questions, please [email ESS Data Management](#).