Richmond School District Policy Statement **Policy #: 342.11**
Independent Educational Evaluation

An Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) is addressed in the federal regulations that implement the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). "Independent educational evaluation" means an evaluation conducted by a qualified examiner who is not employed by the public agency responsible for the education of the child in question. A parent/guardian has a right to an IEE at public expense if the parent/guardian disagrees with a recent evaluation conducted by the District. For purpose of this policy, "evaluation" means the procedures used to determine whether a child has a disability and the nature and extent of the special education related services the child needs. The district is not required to pay for an IEE if the District has not conducted a recent evaluation.

In the event the District receives a parent/guardian request for an IEE, the District must, without unnecessary delay, either provide the IEE at school expense per this policy or request a due process hearing to show that its evaluation is appropriate. If the District finds the evaluation to be appropriate, the parent/guardian still has a right to an IEE, but not at the public expense.

If the District agrees to a parent/guardian IEE request, the parent/guardian must use a certified DPI licensed School Psychologist to conduct the IEE. The parent/guardian must use a public agency to obtain an evaluation. The District must consider the results of the evaluation, but not required to adopt or endorse the results. Parents/guardian may only request one publicly funded IEE for each evaluation completed by the District. The parent/guardian must request payment for the IEE within one year of the date the results of the school district evaluations were shared with parents/guardians.

LEGAL REFERENCE Chapter 115, subchapter V Wisconsin Statutes
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

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