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Request for Public Comment on the Special Education Policies and Procedures

The American Samoa Department of Education (ASDOE) Special Education Division (SPED) has for public review the following:

ASDOE-Special Education is mandated by IDEA Regulations to advertise any revisions to its policies and procedures under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) of the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) with the US Department of Education (USDOE) for public review and comments before submission for approval.

The American Samoa Department of Education (ASDOE) Special Education Division (SPED) has for public review the following:

1. SECTION XVIII: STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL regarding policy statement, membership and duties.

The public must be afforded reasonable opportunities for comment for 30 days due to revision of the policies and procedures **SECTION XVIII: STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL** prior to the public hearing August 27, 2026. Public comments may be submitted no later than 3:00pm August 27th, 2026 via email: herbert.boat@doe.as, roxanne.salavea@doe.as, and leilani.maifea@doe.as sent by mail to: Dr. Herbert Boat, SPED Assistant Director, PO Box 1032, Pago Pago, AS 96799 or submission to the DOE- Special Education Division main office in Fagaalu next to the Matafao Elementary School.

Copies of the policies and procedures are available at the Special Education office located at the west end of the Matafao Elementary School in Fagaalu. All persons interested are encouraged to pick up a copy between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm. Written comments will also be taken during these hours. Comments and suggestions may also be made via email to leilani.maifea@doe.as. The Part B policies and procedures are also posted on the ASDOE website: www.asdoe.net.

Comments and suggestions may also be made via email to herbert.boat@doe.as or may be sent to: Dr. Herbert Boat, SPED Assistant Director, PO Box 1032, Pago Pago, AS 96799. The Annual State Part B Application for funding is also posted on the ASDOE website: <https://www.amsamoadoe.com>

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact the Special Education main office at 633-1323 or 6334789.