Special education means specially designed instruction, at no cost to parents or guardians, to meet the unique needs of a child with a disability, including—

- (1) Instruction conducted in the classroom, in the home, in hospitals and institutions, and in other settings; and
- (2) Instruction in physical education. (Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1401, 7703, 7705, 7713; 37 U.S.C. 101)

§ 222.51 Which children may a local educational agency count for payment under section 8003(d) of the Act?

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, the children described in sections 8003(a)(1)(A)(ii), (a)(1)(B), (a)(1)(C), and (a)(1)(D) of the Act who are eligible for services under the provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) may be counted by the local educational agency (LEA) for the purpose of computing a payment under section 8003(d).

(b)(1) An LEA may count a child or children described in paragraph (a) of this section who attend private schools or residential programs if the LEA has placed or referred the child or children in accordance with the provisions of section 613 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. and 34 CFR part 300, subparts C and D.

(2) Children who are placed in private schools by their parents may not be counted under section 8003(d), but may participate in public school programs that use section 8003(d) funds.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1400 $et\ seq.$ and 7703(d))

§ 222.52 What requirements must a local educational agency meet to receive a payment under section 8003(d)?

To receive a payment under section 8003(d), an eligible LEA shall—

- (a) State in its application the number of federally connected children with disabilities it claims for a payment under section 8003(d);
- (b) Have in effect a written IEP for each federally connected child with disabilities claimed for a payment under section 8003(d); and

(c) Meet the requirements of subparts A and C of the regulations in this part.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. and 7703)

§ 222.53 What restrictions and requirements apply to the use of funds provided under section 8003(d)?

- (a) An LEA shall use funds provided under section 8003(d) in accordance with the provisions of section 8003(d)(2) and 34 CFR part 300.
- (b) Obligations and expenditures of section 8003(d) funds may be incurred in either of the two following ways:
- (1) An LEA may obligate or expend section 8003(d) funds for the fiscal year for which the funds were appropriated.
- (2) An LEA may reimburse itself for obligations or expenditures of local and general State aid funds for the fiscal year for which the section 8003(d) funds were appropriated.
- (c) An LEA shall use its section 8003(d) funds for the following types of expenditures:
- (1) Expenditures that are reasonably related to the conduct of programs or projects for the free appropriate public education of federally connected children with disabilities. These expenditures may include program planning and evaluation but may not include construction of school facilities.
- (2) Acquisition cost (net invoice price) of equipment required for the free appropriate public education of federally connected children with disabilities.
- (i) If section 8003(d) funds are used for the acquisition of any equipment described in this paragraph (c)(2) of this section, the fair market value of any financial advantage realized through rebates, discounts, bonuses, free pieces of equipment used in a program or project for the free appropriate public education of federally connected children with disabilities, or other circumstances, is not an allowable expenditure and may not be credited as an expenditure of those funds.
- (ii) Funds awarded under the provisions of section 8003(d) may be used to acquire equipment for the free appropriate public education of the federally connected children with disabilities