

SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (SNSP)

This notice serves to inform parents and guardians of students with disabilities that the State of Wisconsin has established the "Special Needs Scholarship Program." Under this scholarship program, a child with a disability may be eligible to receive a scholarship from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) that allows the child to attend a private school that is participating in the scholarship program.

A parent or guardian who is interested in the Special Needs Scholarship Program should independently verify the participating private schools and the specific terms, eligibility criteria, and application procedures of the scholarship program with the DPI.

A student with a disability may be eligible to participate in the SNSP if the student meets the following eligibility requirements: - Wisconsin Resident: The student resides in Wisconsin. - Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Services Plan: An IEP or services plan is in effect for the child. An IEP or services plan is considered in effect if it is (1) being implemented at the time of application to the SNSP or (2) was developed no earlier than three years prior to September 15 of the school term during which the student applies to the SNSP and the student has not subsequently been determined to no longer have a disability. Additional information about the Special Needs Scholarship Program should be available on the website of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: <http://dpi.wi.gov/>. (Wis Stats. §115.7915(5))