FREE GUIDE

Alaska special education deadlines

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State rules as of November 20, 2026

RULE	FIRST LINE OF THE RULE	SOURCE
EVALUATIONS		
Completing an initial evaluation	In Alaska, the school has 90 calendar days after your consent to finish your child's initial evaluation.	4 AAC 52.115(a)
FIRST IEP MEETING		
The initial IEP after eligibility	Once the team decides your child needs special education and related services, a meeting to write your child's first IEP must be held within 30 calendar days.	34 CFR 300.323(c)(1)
SCHOOL RECORDS		
Timing of access to education records	In Alaska, once you ask to see your child's education records, the school district must let you see them without unnecessary delay.	4 AAC 52.510(b)(5); Alaska DEED Notice of Procedural Safeguards, p. 10
Copies of records, fees and access barriers	Alaska: Copy fees cannot prevent you from accessing education records.	34 CFR § 300.617; 34 CFR § 99.11; Alaska DEED Notice of Procedural Safeguards, p. 10
IEP REVIEWS AND REEVALUATIONS		
Regular IDEA reevaluation	In Alaska, your child must be reevaluated at least once every three years.	4 AAC 52.180(a), (d)-(e)
Reviewing the IEP at least annually	Your child's IEP team must review the IEP periodically, and at least once a year, to see whether the annual goals are being met.	34 CFR 300.324(b)(1)(i)
TRANSITION PLANNING		
When transition goals and services begin	In Alaska, your child's IEP must include transition goals and services by age 16, or earlier if the IEP team decides that's appropriate.	34 CFR § 300.320(b); Alaska Special Education Parents' Guide, p. 6
RIGHTS AT ADULTHOOD		
Advance notice about the transfer of IDEA rights	In Alaska, at least a year before your child turns 18, the IEP must say your child was told about any IDEA rights that will transfer to them.	4 AAC 52.620; 4 AAC 52.140(f) (adopting 34 CFR § 300.320(c)); Alaska Department of Education & Early Development, Parent Resource Guide (ADA compliant)
The state's age of majority and IDEA rights	In Alaska, special education rights under IDEA transfer from you to your child at age 18.	Alaska DEED Notice of Procedural Safeguards, Transfer of Rights, p. 8; 4 AAC 52.620
PRESCHOOL AND EARLY INTERVENTION		
Preschool special education by age three	Alaska: For a child in an infant learning program (early intervention) whom the district finds eligible for special education, the initial IEP must be developed before the third birthday and put into effect on that birthday.	4 AAC 52.140(c); 34 CFR § 300.101(b)
Moving from early intervention to preschool	Alaska: plan for the move from early intervention before age 3.	Alaska EI/ILP Policies, Methods, and Descriptions (effective July 1, 2023), IV.B–F, printed pp. 22–27; 34 C.F.R. §303.209
OTHER RULES		
Section 504 protections in school discipline	Alaska: Before a significant disciplinary change in placement, the school must review whether the behavior was related to the student's disability.	34 CFR § 104.35(a); OCR Section 504 Discipline Guidance (2022), pp. 19–20
Give written notice before moving to a private school	If you plan to move your child to a private school and ask the district to pay, give the district written notice at least 10 business days before your child leaves the public school.	34 CFR 300.148(d)–(e); 300.11(b)
IEP services after a move from another state	Alaska: During a same-school-year move from another state, the new school provides comparable IEP services while it completes any needed evaluation and new IEP.	34 CFR § 300.323(f)

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