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Oklahoma special education deadlines

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State rules as of November 20, 2026

RULE	FIRST LINE OF THE RULE	SOURCE
EVALUATIONS		
Responding to an evaluation request	The school must review existing information as soon as possible after your evaluation request and, if it will evaluate, obtain your consent within ten school days after completing that review.	Okla. Admin. Code § 210:15-13-1; Oklahoma Special Education Policies & Procedures (2026), ch. 5, § 1, pp. 71–72
Completing an initial evaluation	In Oklahoma, the school usually has 45 school days to decide if your child is eligible for special education.	Oklahoma State Department of Education, Special Education Services Policies & Procedures (2026), Ch. 5, Sec. 3(D)(1); 70 O.S. § 13-101.2(C)(1)(b), as amended by HB 3718 (2026), effective Nov. 1, 2026
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	You have the right to review your child's education records that the school keeps or uses under IDEA.	34 CFR 99.10(b); 34 CFR 300.613(a)
IEP REVIEWS AND REEVALUATIONS		
Regular IDEA reevaluation	Your child must be reevaluated at least once every three years, unless you and the school agree it isn't needed.	34 CFR 300.303(a), (b)
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 Oklahoma, transition services must be in effect before your child starts ninth grade or on or before their 15th birthday, whichever comes first.	Oklahoma State Department of Education, Special Education Services Policies & Procedures (2026), Ch. 6 §3(M), p. 243
RIGHTS AT ADULTHOOD		
Advance notice about the transfer of IDEA rights	In Oklahoma, by your child's 17th birthday, the IEP team must tell you and your child that special education rights usually transfer at 18.	OSDE Special Education Policies & Procedures (2026), pp.255–256,358–359
The state's age of majority and IDEA rights	In Oklahoma, IDEA rights usually transfer from you to your child at 18.	OSDE Special Education Policies & Procedures (2026), pp.255–256,358–359
PRESCHOOL AND EARLY INTERVENTION		
Preschool special education by age three	For a child moving from early intervention (Part C) to preschool special education, an IEP, or an IFSP where that is allowed, must be developed and in place by the third birthday.	34 CFR 300.124(b); 300.101(b); 300.102(a)(1), (4)
Moving from early intervention to preschool	For a toddler in early intervention who may be eligible for preschool special education, the early intervention program, with your family's approval, holds a transition conference with you and the school district at least 90 days before your child's third birthday.	34 CFR 303.209(c)(1); 303.209(b)–(f)
OTHER RULES		
Section 504 protections in school discipline	Oklahoma: Section 504 requires an evaluation before discipline that significantly changes the student's placement.	34 CFR 104.35(a); 29 U.S.C. § 705(20)(C)(iv)
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 within the state	Oklahoma: comparable services start the first day.	Oklahoma State Department of Education, Special Education Services Policies & Procedures 2026, Chapter 14 § 2(A), pp. 446–447 (effective Aug. 1, 2026)
IEP services after a move from another state	Oklahoma: comparable services start the first day.	Oklahoma State Department of Education, Special Education Services Policies & Procedures 2026, Chapter 14 § 2(B), pp. 447–448 (effective Aug. 1, 2026)

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