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EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR POLICY

CODE: E11

Bridgewater Village School provides special education and/or related services to each student who has been found to be eligible for such services as required by law. It is recognized that it may be necessary in some instances to provide such service to such a student over an extended school year (ESY – that is a period beyond the regular 175 day school year), in order to provide an appropriate special education program to that student.

Such a student shall be provided extended school year special education and/or related services if the student has been determined by the Basic Staffing Team to be eligible for special education and related services in accordance with state and federal regulations within the last three years, and

1. where specified extended school year services are an essential (not simply beneficial) component of the student’s IEP, if that benefit accrued to the student during the regular school year would be significantly jeopardized if the student were not provided particular special education and/or related services during the summer months, or
2. where a summer break without specified special education and/or related services is likely to cause that student to suffer severe regression and such loss of skills, combined with limited recoupment ability, will significantly increase the likelihood of that student failing to achieve IEP goals or objectives.

Procedures implementing this policy shall be promulgated and revised if necessary by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee.

Steps shall be taken by special education personnel to inform parents of students eligible for special education and/or related services, of the existence of this policy and implementing procedures, and of their right to challenge decisions concerning ESY services through the due process hearing procedure.

<u>Unit: Board of:</u>	<u>Warned</u>	<u>Adopted</u>	<u>Re-warned:</u>	<u>Re-adopted</u>
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