Special Education EOY Data Guidance: Impact of COVID-19

All district and state data collections and reports will continue on the original schedule. Federal filing dates have not changed at this time.

- The "End of Year" data collection will occur on July 1 as scheduled.
- Prior to this date, districts must review the quality of their data that will be collected.

However, some changes to the collection and review of certain data elements have been made due to these special circumstances.

INDICATOR 7: EC Outcomes

- Complete unfinished but due ECO ratings prior to June 30, if possible. Ratings that cannot be completed will not be included in indicator 7 calculations and *will not be held against districts in the fall determination*.
 - * Unfinished ratings should be completed in the fall, for the benefit of the child's permanent record.
 - * Only ECO ratings that were due by March 13, along with any additional completed ratings, will be reviewed during any required improvement activities.

INDICATORS 11 & 12: 45-day timeline and Part C to B transition

***The district summary data page has been updated to include two additional reasons for delay that are not "family reasons" for each indicator. The new list is:

- LEA's failure to follow appropriate procedures
- MEEGS team decided additional data was necessary
- Lack of appropriate resources
- Breaks in school calendars and/or staff not on contract
- Late referral from SoonerStart
- Parents did not show for scheduled eligibility meeting, or delayed meeting (new)
- Extreme weather or other atypical events such as pandemics (new)
- Reporting Procedures for Indicator 11
 - Report all outcomes of all *initial* consents during the entire current school year, including those whose evaluations were/are due after March 13, and whether delayed or not. Refer to the new list of reasons for delay shown above.
 - Any student whose eligibility was delayed for ANY reason (including Covid-19) must ALSO be documented on the late evaluations non-compliance spreadsheet (template available at <u>https://sde.ok.gov/end-year-data-reporting</u>).
 - If signed consent was received within the 45 school days before March 13 or after, *compliance with those timelines will not be included in the calculations on the fall determination.* However, districts are still obligated to meet timelines under IDEA for initial evaluations and non-compliance must be identified and addressed.

- * Monitoring will occur to ensure that evaluations exceeding the timeline are completed.
- * All non-compliance for Indicator 11 will be reported to the Office of Special Education Programs through the Annual Performance Report.

Reporting Procedures for Indicator 12

- Report all outcomes of any SoonerStart referrals received during the entire current school year, and whether delayed or not. Refer to the new list of reasons for delay.
- Any child whose evaluation or IEP was delayed for ANY reason (including Covid-19) must ALSO be documented on the late early childhood transition noncompliance spreadsheet (template available at <u>https://sde.ok.gov/end-year-datareporting</u>).
- If the child's third birthday is after March 13, compliance with those timelines will not be included in the calculations on the fall determination.
 - * Monitoring will still occur to ensure that evaluations and IEPs are completed for any children referred.

INDICATOR 13: Secondary Transition Requirements

- OSDE-SES will pull a list of ALL students who meet the reporting requirements and their IEP compliance. If the IEP was due to be refinalized after March 13, compliance with those timelines will still be included in the calculations on the fall determination.
- Because IEPs can be developed and meetings held remotely, districts can review the IEPs of all students remotely and re-finalize them virtually with all team members.