

## DATA COLLECTION CHANGES REGARDING PARENTALLY PLACED PRIVATE SCHOOL CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

**Data collection for private school students evaluated, found eligible and served during the school year** – Section 612(a)(10) of IDEA04 requires that each local educational agency maintain in its records and provide to the State the number of children evaluated, the number of children determined to be children with disabilities and the number of children served. Districts will need to submit these counts to DESE at the end of each school year using a format that is yet to be determined. Descriptions for the three data elements follow:

- a. Number of children evaluated – This is the total number of parentally placed private school students that were evaluated by the public school during the school year (July 1 – June 30). This is the universe of children that the following two numbers are based upon.
- b. Number of children determined to be children with disabilities – OF THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN EVALUATED DURING THE YEAR (previous number determined in a.), this is the number that were determined to be eligible for special education services. This is not the total number of eligible private school students in the district's jurisdiction, it is only those evaluated and found eligible during the school year.
- c. Number of children served – OF THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN DETERMINED TO BE CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (previous number determined in b.), this is the number who received special education or related services through the public school. This is not the total number of private school students served, it is only those who were evaluated and found eligible and served during the school year.