

Dear CPS Families,

As part of our commitment to support students with disabilities, the district is implementing its Student Specific Corrective Action (SSCA) process to identify students who may be eligible for a remedy as a result of a potential delay or denial of special education services during the 2016-17 and/or 2017-18 school years. You may have already received a notice for a Universal Enrichment Remedy (UER) call or an SSCA meeting. The district will be providing additional notices this fall.

To ensure families who may be eligible for a remedy receive additional support as quickly as possible, the district is offering automatic remedies or UERs to students who may have been impacted by specific changes to the district's electronic Individualized Education Program (IEP) system in 2016-17 and 2017-18. The district also identified a smaller group of students who are eligible automatically for an SSCA meeting but are not being offered an automatic UER.

Eligible families were notified in February of 2020. The district is continuing to notify eligible families to discuss and provide remedies. If you believe you are eligible, but you do not receive a notice for a UER call or an automatic SSCA meeting, please request a meeting if you believe your child was:

- impacted by special education policies and procedures during the 2016-17 and/or 2017-18 school years, including those related to extended school year services (ESY), paraprofessional support, transportation, identification as a student with a specific learning disability (SLD), placement in a therapeutic day school,
- or if your child was delayed or denied services as a result of the budget and budget appeals process in effect during those school years.

Please ensure that your phone number and email address are up to date in the district's ASPEN student information systems, as these will be the primary methods of communication.

If you would like to request a meeting or have additional questions about the SSCA process, please email SSCA@cps.edu or call 773-553-1843. Additional information will also be available at <https://www.cps.edu/services-and-supports/special-education>.



If you have any additional questions or would like to learn more about your options, you can talk to a lawyer who represents parents for free. Call Equip for Equality at (312) 895-7231. Interpreters are available.

Sincerely,

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