



“Together We Fly”

## Universal Academy Special Education Evaluation Information

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### **Full Individual and Initial Evaluation (FIIE)**

A Full Individual and Initial Evaluation (FIIE) is conducted when a student is suspected of having a disability and may require special education services.

- Parent consent is required prior to evaluation
- Evaluations are completed within 45 school days
- Evaluations are conducted by a multidisciplinary team
- Results are reviewed by the Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) Committee

### **Disability Categories**

Evaluation results identify eligibility under one or more IDEA disability categories:

- Autism,
- Deaf-Blindness,
- Deaf or Hard of Hearing,
- Emotional Disturbance,
- Intellectual Disability,
- Multiple Disabilities,
- Orthopedic Impairment,
- Other Health Impairment,
- Specific Learning Disability,
- Speech or Language Impairment, Traumatic Brain Injury, and
- Visual Impairment

### **Evaluation Procedures and Documentation**

Universal Academy ensures all evaluations are conducted using compliant procedures, including:

- Use of multiple data sources

- Completion of required protocols and assessments
- Documentation of findings
- Consideration of academic, behavioral, and functional performance

### **Review of Existing Evaluation Data (REED)**

Prior to evaluation, existing data is reviewed to determine additional assessment needs.

This includes:

- Previous evaluations
- Classroom performance
- Teacher and parent input
- State and local assessments

### **Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE)**

Parents have the right to request an Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) if they disagree with evaluation results.

The district will respond in accordance with state and federal requirements.

### **Evaluation Records and Reporting**

- Evaluation reports are completed within required timelines
- Parents receive copies at no cost
- Reports are provided prior to ARD meetings
- Data is used to support instructional planning

### **Contact Information**

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