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To: Sonoma County SELPA Member Governing Boards

Re: LEA Board Approval for Sonoma County SELPA Local Plan Section B: Governance and

Administration

Dear Board Members and Trustees:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 20 *United States Code* (20 *USC*) Section 1400 et seq. and related federal regulations, require each special education Local Plan area (SELPA) to assure a continuum of program options are available to meet the needs of students with disabilities for special education and related services.

The Local Plan is the document that provides those assurances, describes how a SELPA operates, and how it supports its member LEAs. As one of those members, you are provided support for your staff, students, and families on all matters related to special education.

Submitted for your approval is the newly updated Local Plan Governance and Administration Section B. This version of the Sonoma County SELPA Local Plan is mostly new with a completely redesigned template. Under new regulations it must be approved every three years starting with this first revision.

Revisions to the Local Plan Governance and Administration, Section B must be adopted by each local educational agency's (LEAs) governing board prior to being submitted to the CDE for review and consideration for approval (EC Section 56195.1).

The Local Plan section before you was developed by a diverse group of LEA staff representing general education administrators and teachers and special education administrators and teachers. The Plan was reviewed and approved by the SELPA's Superintendents' Council, its governing board, which consists of 13 Sonoma County superintendents.

We urge you to approve the Local Plan as the updated road map for services for students with disabilities, their families, and your staff that support them.

Thank you for your support of the Sonoma County Charter SELPA.

Sincerely,

Adam Stein