



# PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Directors, Exceptional Children Programs  
 Coordinators, Charter Schools  
 Directors, State Operated Programs

**FROM:** Sherry H. Thomas, Director DS  
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 Exceptional Children Division

**SUBJECT:** Public Notice for Participation and Comments on the North Carolina Application for Grant Award under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as amended in 2004 for Federal Fiscal Year 2021

Attached is a Public Notice for Participation and Comments on the North Carolina Application for Grant Award under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as amended in 2004 for federal fiscal year 2021. Your assistance is requested in meeting public participation requirements for the IDEA, Part B state eligibility. Public participation requirements are set forth in the IDEA, Part B regulations at 34 CFR §300.165 and in the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) (20 U.S.C.1232d(b)(7)). States must make their Part B Application available for 60 days and accept comment for 30 days prior to submission.

The Department requests that you display the attached Public Notice and proposed State Application in the main lobby of your Central Office from March 15, 2021 through May 14, 2021, to afford interested parties an opportunity to participate during the review and comment period. Please notify the private schools in your Public School Unit and inform your local communities of the opportunity for public participation.

Thank you for your cooperation and continuous efforts to improve the education of children with disabilities in North Carolina.

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Attachment

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