

## Dear Parents,

Our School District receives funding from the Medicaid Direct Service Claiming (DSC) program for Individual Education Program (IEP) covered services provided to eligible children through the state's Medicaid agency. This is a state-approved program that allows our school district to receive reimbursement from federal funds for providing certain health-related services to eligible children in our school system. Examples of covered services include speech therapy, assistance with daily living skills, and special education transportation. We are required to notify you of our participation and of the regulations stated below.

The school district, working with the state Medicaid agency, will need to determine if your child is eligible or should become eligible in the school-based Medicaid program. Your written consent indicates that you understand and agree that the district will submit your child's information to the state Medicaid agency and their authorized agencies to verify eligibility and submit claims to the DSC program. The school may use Medicaid benefits in which a child participates to provide or pay for services documented in the IEP. Parents are not required to sign up for or enroll in Medicaid to receive services or a free appropriate public education, nor are they responsible for any out of pocket expenses for these IEP services. In addition, the school district's access to these benefits is not allowed if it would have a negative impact on your public insurance.

We will provide the required services to your child at no cost to you whether or not you grant written consent. Your consent is voluntary and may be revoked at any time. The school's use of this reimbursement program does not in any way affect or impact other Medicaid benefits to which the child is entitled, including any otherwise eligible services outside of school.

Thank you,

Jacqueline Camacho

Director Exceptional Student Services