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Textbook Loan Requests

Chapter 635 of the Laws of 1984 amended the textbook loan program to permit a board of education to set a date by which requests for textbooks must be submitted to the district. Notice of the date, which cannot be earlier than June 1 for requests for the following school year, must be given to all nonpublic schools. HOWEVER, JUNE 1 IS THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR TEXTBOOK REQUESTS ONLY IF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS ESTABLISHED A WRITTEN POLICY TO THIS EFFECT.

If the district has not established such a policy in writing, there is no cut-off date for textbook requests. Public and nonpublic school authorities should set a mutually convenient date for textbook orders to be given to the district.

EESA Title II

The NYS Education Department has submitted a plan to the U.S. Dept. of Education for the implementation of Title II of the Education for Economic Security Act (PL 98-377) enacted in August 1984.

Sometime in late April or early May, each local public school district will receive application materials, including a notification of allocation, to develop an application for services to public and nonpublic school students and teachers. The focus of these services will be inservice education, training and retraining with an emphasis on math and science teachers.

The State Education Department has urged cooperative efforts between nonpublic and public schools in developing districtwide or regional programs due to the small dollar amount available to individual schools.

The law requires that representatives of nonpublic schools be consulted regarding the services to be provided. Where the needs in both the public and nonpublic schools are the same, the SED has recommended that nonpublic schools participate through the public school grant to maximize the dollars available for services to eligible nonpublic school teachers and students.

If you are not contacted by your local public school administrator by mid-June, contact the Office of Federal Demonstration Programs, Room 860 EBA, NYS Education Dept., Albany, NY 12234 -(518) 474-2380.

ASBESTOS

In order to comply with the EPA asbestos inspection this checklist is offered for your use.

HAVE THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR OFFICE

1. Register (white book)
2. Parent form (some documentation to show that parents have been informed - when and how (even if just in written minutes).
3. Notice to school employees (one in file, 1 on wall or bulletin board in faculty room, boiler room.
4. Individual written notice to employees.
5. All lab reports on samples.
6. Office file labeled "ASBESTOS" containing all communications on the topic.
7. GUIDE FOR REDUCING ASBESTOS EXPOSURE (signed by janitor and dated - one copy in boiler room; one in the file).

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ACTION PLAN SYNOPSIS

The CSAANYS Staff has developed a synopsis, in handbook form, of the changes and regulations under the Regents Action Plan. It will be sent to any administrator, free of charge, upon request.