

Big Sandy Area C.A.P., Inc. – HEAD START
Program Policies and Procedures

Interagency Agreement

POLICY:

Head Start commits to specific efforts to develop interagency agreements with the LEA's and other agencies within the grantee's service area.

This policy relates to Head Start Performance Standards 45 CFR Part 1302.33, 1302.60, 1302.61, 1302.62, 1302.63.

PROCEDURE:

1. Head Start participates in the coordination of services to eligible preschool children through state (Kentucky Preschool) and federal (Head Start) funds. The agreement is based on the planned growth criteria set by the Kentucky Board of Education in conjunction with Head Start in January 1994 regarding local school districts requirements for full utilization of Head Start in Kentucky.
2. Efforts are made to develop interagency agreements with the LEA's and other agencies within the Big Sandy Head Start service area. If no agreements can be reached, the grantee documents its effort and informs the Regional Office.

The interagency agreements include information regarding:

- a. Head Start participation in the public agency's Child Find plan under Part B of IDEA;
- b. Joint training of staff and parents;
- c. Procedures for referral for evaluations, IEP meetings and placement decisions;
- d. Transition;
- e. Resource sharing;
- f. Head Start commitment to provide the number of children receiving services under IEP's to the LEA Child Count report by December 1st annually;

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- g. Cooperation in assessing the community's needs for preschool services;
- h. Maximizing the use of Head Start funds to provide services to as many three and four year old children as possible;
- i. Coordinating the recruitment of preschool children for publicly funded preschool programs;
- j. Coordinating the location of preschool sites in the community in order to minimize the transportation of young children and to facilitate parent involvement in the preschool program;
- k. Coordinating services to children with disabilities;
- l. Updating the agreements annually.

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