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Nonpublic Schools/Agencies

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TODAY'S OUTCOMES

Participants will:

- Build awareness about nonpublic schools/agencies how they serve LAUSD students



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When is NPS placement considered?

- Student's documented needs, as stated on the IEP, are of a **nature and/or severity** that require a special education instructional program or services, which cannot be provided by a District program
- **No other placement is available** in a District-operated school that meets the student's unique needs



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What do we mean by...Exploring NPS placement options?"

- NPSs and NPS/RTCs set their own criteria for admissions and have the right to refuse a student if they believe that they cannot meet his/her needs
- NPS and NPS/RTC placements are voluntary
- No guarantee of securing NPS placement



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What is a Nonpublic School?

Each Nonpublic School:

- Is a private, nonsectarian school, contracted with LAUSD to serve students and deliver all services specified on the student's IEP
- Is certified by the CDE and employs credentialed special education teachers
- Meets specific District criteria before entering into Master Contract with District
- Sets its own criteria for admissions and has the right to refuse a student if they believe that they cannot meet his/her needs as per the IEP

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Nonpublic Schools:

- Follow District curriculum and instruction, behavioral intervention and discipline foundation policies
- Are reviewed by the CDE and through LAUSD's DVR process
- Are one of the most restrictive environments for students



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When NPS is recommended: IEP Procedures

- **Upon NPS enrollment, all related services** are to be delivered by the NPS
- **Completing FAPE** when exploring NPS options
 - Part 1 - Placement
 - Part 2 – Summary of Services
 - Part 4 – Additional Discussion



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An illustration showing a yellow school bus with a blue stripe driving from left to right. A red school building with many windows is in the background. A red arc highlights the bus and the building. A small grey vertical bar is on the left side of the arc.

Reminder:

The student has the right to remain in the current public education program or an alternate District placement, until enrollment begins in a NPS or NPS/RTC.

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