## **CT - SEDS 'CT Special Education Data System'**

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Dear Lisbon Public School Staff and Families,

We would like to make all families aware that on July 1, 2022 the Connecticut State Department of Education launched a Statewide, web-based special education data management system called CT-SEDS (Connecticut Special Education Data System).

The use of CT-SEDS for special education IEP and 504 documents is mandatory for all districts.

CT-SEDS is an online management system for all Individualized Education Plans (IEP) and 504 documents.

The State moved to CT-SEDS for three reasons:

- 1. To ensure that all districts across the State of CT are utilizing the same IEP/504 platform.
- 2. To streamline the look of IEP/504 documents in order to make them more reader/user friendly.
- 3. To continually improve the quality of IEP/504 plans for all students.

#### **New! Parent Portal**

The new system includes a parent portal for families to access their student's IEP and other important information as well as several language translations for PPT invitations and IEP documents to ensure that parents receive information in their native language.

• The ten languages available for translation include: Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic, Creole-Haitian, Mandarin, Albanian, Polish, Urdu, Bengali, & Vietnamese.

#### New Look! to the IEP

The layout of the individualized education plan (IEP) has changed. The new layout of the IEP is designed to be more user friendly and easy to follow.

The most important thing to take away from these changes, is that they will NOT impact your child's special education programming. Parents and students do not have to take any action at this time. The Special Education department will provide information as it is received.

# Please visit the website below to access the IEP guide for Parents and Families (Asynchronous Multimedia Module):

https://ct.ieptraining.org/

### **New! Training for Select LPS Faculty**

Select LPS employees began training on the new CT-SEDS platform this summer (2022).

Special education, guidance, and related service faculty are set to receive training prior to the start of the year on the new platform.

Our staff will receive training so that our district is ready to roll out with the implementation of CT-SEDS with the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

In the 2022-2023 academic year, if your child's current IEP/504 is being created, reviewed, or modified, it will be completed in the new CT-SEDS platform. As usual, each of our schools will contact families when they are scheduled for their next PPT/504 meeting.

As mentioned above, as soon as the State releases additional information and resources, we will update families again. Click below to view two FAQ's about the CT SEDS platform:

- CT SEDS FAQ
- CT SEDS FAQ2

We look forward to sharing more information very soon.

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