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Ms. Marlene Brady
Superintendent
North Mac Community Unit School District 34
525 North Third Street
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Dear Ms. Brady:

The Illinois State Board of Education's Special Education Services Division has reviewed the corrective action and supporting documentation submitted by the North Mac Community Unit School District 34 for the focused monitoring review conducted on October 24-26, 2011. The district was required to address the following finding(s) and required evidence of immediate correction as identified in the final report dated December 03, 2011:

Area of Noncompliance - Finding I

Evidence demonstrates that placement decisions for students with disabilities are not made in compliance with federal regulations IDEA, Part B, 34 CFR § 300.116 and 34 CFR § 320. Based on the evidence collected and analyzed, placement decisions for students with disabilities do not fully document the consideration of placement in, and removal from, the general education setting and the general curriculum.

Required Evidence of Correction – Immediate

By **February 5, 2012** the district must demonstrate correction of each individual case of noncompliance. The documentation in 100% of the following records must be corrected to demonstrate the required evidence of immediate correction.

Issues with Citation						% of IEPs with Identified Noncompliance					
An appropriate <i>Parent/Guardian Notification of Conference</i> was completed and sent 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. 34 CFR 300.503 and 23 IAC 226.520						19%					
Specific IEPs with Identified Noncompliance:						NM2	NM5	NM10	NM11	NM13	
NM17											
The appropriate team members were present at the IEP meeting, verified on the <i>Conference Summary Report</i> (minimum participants: parent, LEA representative, special educator, and general educator,						12.5%					

The IEP contains an explanation of the extent, if any, to which the student will not participate with nondisabled students in the general education class. 34 CFR 300.320(a)(4)(ii)	12.5%				
Specific IEPs with Identified Noncompliance:	NM4	NM5	NM10	NM16	

Thank you for your timely submission of documentation. An analysis of documentation provided by the district was completed as part of the focused monitoring process to verify the required evidence of correction that was to be completed immediately. The following is the status of the documentation:

NORTH MAC CUSD #34
IEP Review Student Identifier/Immediate Correction

	NM1	NM2	NM3	NM4	NM5	NM6	NM7 NID*	NM8 NID*	NM9	NM10	NM11 D*	NM12
10 day notice		Met			Met					Met		
Team members present	Met			Met								
Annual review				Met	Met				Met			
Placement based on IEP						Met						Met
Harmful effects		Met	Met	Met	Met				Met	Met		
Parent input and concerns												
Effects of disability					Met							
Special education location, frequency, initiation date, etc.												
Supplementary aids, accommodations		Met										
Explanation for non-participation in general education				Met	Met					Met		

*NID=Not In District
*D=Discharged From Special Education

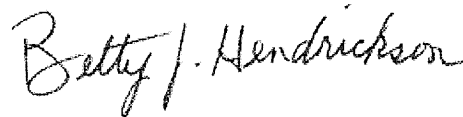
	NM13	NM14	NM15	NM16	NM17	NM18	NM19	NM20	NM21	NM22	NM23
10 day notice	Met				Met						
Team members present	Met										Met
Annual review	Met	Met			Met						
Placement based on IEP			Met				Met			Met	Met
Harmful effects			Met	Met	Met	Met		Met	Met	Met	Met
Parent input and concerns										Met	Met

Effects of disability										Met	
Special education location, frequency, initiation date, etc.											
Supplementary aids, accommodations		Met		Met	Met			Met			
Explanation for non-participation in general education				Met							

The review of documentation demonstrates that the required immediate evidence of correction has been fulfilled. This addresses the directive in the report labeled "Required Evidence of Correction – Immediate" and provides the documentation necessary to close this section of the monitoring review. An analysis of documentation submitted by the district to verify the directive identified as "Required Evidence of Correction – Subsequent" will be conducted prior to December 3, 2012 in order to ensure that the district also meets this requirement.

Your cooperation and assistance throughout this process have been appreciated. If you have any questions regarding this response, please feel free to contact me at 217/782-5589 or bhendric@isbe.net

Sincerely,

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