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**Questions & Answers from
Special Education Operating Procedures
March 2022**

Questions 1-3

Question 1

Will this presentation be available?

Yes, the Special Education Operating Procedures (March 2022) slide deck is posted on the [TEA Special Education Guidance](#) webpage in the Guidance Documents section.

Question 2

When is this due?

The Operating Procedures are due August 31, 2022.

Question 3

Where can we find the templates?

The templates can be found in the Legal Framework Resource Library.

Questions 4-6

Question 4

What does the number signify?

The number just indicates that this is the newest template.

Question 5

Does everyone need to add information to these new (revised) templates that end in (1)?

Yes, every local education agency (LEA) should update to the newest template.

Question 6

Will the #FAPE Composite (1) include Dyslexia?

No, Dyslexia Services includes information about dyslexia in the Child Find category.

Questions 7-8

Question 7

What will happen with the current Operating Procedures uploaded in the Legal Framework?

All Operating Procedures should be uploaded/linked to the appropriate hashtag (#) templates by August 31, 2022. On September 1, 2022, the old templates will be erased. Then when a report is run, LEAs will be able to see which Operating Procedures have not been uploaded/linked.

Question 8

If a district's current Operating Procedures have multiple areas covered in one document addressing FAPE, is that still allowed?

Yes.

Questions 9-11

Question 9

When will the old templates be deleted?

The old templates will be deleted on September 1, 2022.

Question 10

Will the templates already uploaded by LEAs be deleted?

The required templates all begin with a hashtag (#). Some hashtag templates will be deleted, and other templates will be moved under another template. A list will be provided to the Legal Framework Resource Library in the next couple of weeks.

Question 11

So, each sub content area requires an Operating Procedure?

Yes, each are addressed in the related template.

Questions 12-14

Question 12

My current Operating Procedures are the #templates.
Will I need to use only the #template (1) templates?

Yes, the only templates you will need to update are the (1) templates.

Question 13

Are the five new templates required to be uploaded in March for 2021-2022 or by August 31, 2022, for 2022-2023?

The five new templates are required to be uploaded/linked by August 31, 2022.

Question 14

Will you provide a rubric/crosswalk/checklist so we can track progress?

Yes, the crosswalk and information sheet are posted in the Information Items in the Legal Framework's Resource Library.

Questions 15-16

Question 15

What is the new expectation that must be completed by August 31, 2022?

The expectation is that LEAs save their Operating Procedures to the correct hashtag (#) templates. The ones that end in (1) are to be updated August 31, 2022.

Question 16

How will this change for linking instead of uploading?

LEAs that choose to link need to use the correct template name and save them.

Questions 17-18

Question 17

Does board policy also need to follow the new naming convention with the hashtags (#) or is that only for Operating Procedures?

Only Operating Procedures need hashtags (#).

Question 18

When is the self-assessment due?

The window for completion of the special education self-assessment will be May 2, 2022, to September 30, 2022. Please see the [Self-Assessment](#) webpage for more information.

Question 19

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What is a commercial product?

A commercial product is a framework product purchased from a private vendor. LEAs must ensure that the uploaded or linked Operating Procedures:

- contain the four elements consistent with the templates available in the Legal Framework,
- include the required content, and
- have the **exact name** for the template as it appears.

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Upcoming Requirements



Senate Bill (SB) 89 Requirement



Dyslexia Handbook 2021 Update Training and Communication Requirement

Assurances due by August 31, 2022

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