

# *Glassboro Public Schools*



## **MEMO**

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To: Mark Silverstein

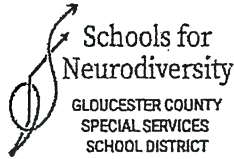
From: Michael Sloan

Date: April 24, 2024

Re: GCSSSD Choice Student Program

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Recommend that the Board approve the 2024-2025 Contract for Participation in Gloucester County Special Services School District Choice Student Program as well as the 2024-2025 Choice Student Program Guidelines attached.



Schools for Neurodiversity  
Gloucester County Special Services School District  
1340 Tanyard Road  
Sewell, NJ 08080  
856 – 468 – 6530

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April 10, 2024

Dear Michael Sloan  
Business Administrator  
Glassboro Public Schools  
560 Joseph L. Bowe Boulevard  
Glassboro

Several Gloucester and Salem county school districts have been designated as Choice Schools. Resident school districts are responsible for arranging either transportation or AIL payments for the students attending these schools. The documentation and paperwork needed to process these students is either very similar or identical to those needed for nonpublic students.

We would like to offer you the option of coordinating the paperwork for any of your students who are attending an out-of-district Choice school. This would include placing the student in our May and/or July 2024 bid, notifying the parents by letter of either transportation arrangements or AIL payments, contacting the schools to verify attendance, sending vouchers to the parents/guardians, etc. The cost would be **\$46.60 per student**, the same as for your nonpublic students. The enclosed Guidelines contain additional information and procedures about this program.

Enclosed are two copies of a 2024-2025 Contract for Participation in GCSSSD's Choice Student Program as well as a copy of the 2024-2025 Choice Student Program Guidelines.

Please present the enclosed contract to your Board for approval. Sign each copy (original signatures required), affix your Board seal, and return both copies to GCSSSD by **June 7, 2024**. We will return a fully executed copy to you as soon as they are complete.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to serving your district in the 2024-2025 school year.

Sincerely,

*Alyssa Valori*

Alyssa Valori  
Director of County Services - Transportation

c: Christopher Retzbach, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Enclosures

**2024-2025 CONTRACT**  
**FOR PARTICIPATION IN**  
**CHOICE SCHOOL PROGRAM**

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2. District agrees to participate in the Gloucester County Special Services School District Choice School Program for the school year 2024-2025 (which period shall not exceed twelve (12) months) at a cost of \$46.60 per Choice Student application on file with GCSSSD on November 4, 2024.

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Special Services School District

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President, District                                      Date  
Board of Education

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Board Secretary, Gloucester                      Date  
County Special Services School District

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Board Secretary, District                              Date  
Board of Education

**Gloucester County Special Services School District**  
**Choice Student Program Guidelines**

1. The Participating District will send Choice student applications for the 2024-2025 school year to GCSSSD as soon as they are received. GCSSSD will place these students in a Bid to be held in May and/or July 2024. A list of students eligible for Aid-in-lieu payments and/or transportation will be forwarded to the District. Copies of all applications will be maintained in GCSSSD's files.
2. Letters will be sent to parents notifying them of the cost of their child's transportation and requesting that they confirm whether or not they will pay the cost of transportation which is over \$1,165/student/year. GCSSSD will notify the District as to the parents' decision.
3. If parents/guardians agree to pay the excess transportation costs, it will be the District's responsibility to arrange for payment from the parent. GCSSSD will bill the District the full cost of the transportation route(s) on a monthly basis.
4. Letters will be sent to parents informing them as to whether their child(ren) will receive transportation or Aid-in-lieu.
5. Request for Payment of Transportation Aid-Choice School Student Vouchers will be sent in January and May to all parents whose child(ren) are eligible for Aid-in-lieu payments for the 2024-2025 school year. The original, completed vouchers will be returned to the District on or before the first week of February/June. Vouchers received after the due date will be forwarded to the District as soon as they are received. GCSSSD will not keep copies of the completed vouchers.
6. GCSSSD will contact each Choice school in mid-October to ascertain the continuing attendance of eligible students for DRTRS reporting and again in January and May (B8Ts) for Aid-in-lieu payments. The original, completed B8T will be sent to the District on or before the third week in October for DRTRS reporting, and on or before the last week in January and the last week in May in order for the district to process Aid-in-lieu payments. A copy of each B8T will be maintained in GCSSSD's files.  
  
GCSSSD will establish contacts at each Choice School in order to monitor student attendance, including change of addresses, change of school placement, etc. All information will be forwarded to the District in a timely manner.
7. GCSSSD will charge the Participating District **4% of \$1,165.00** per 2024-2025 school year Choice Student application on file in our office as of November 4, 2024. (\$46.60 per student).  
An invoice will be sent to the Participating District in November 2024.