



## **Introduction**

Extended School Year (ESY) services are special education and related services that are provided to a student with a disability beyond the public agency's normal school calendar or instructional day; in accordance with the student's IEP; and at no cost to the student and parent. ESY services must meet the standards of the Indiana Department of Education. Although the federal statute does not specifically reference ESY services, ESY services have been incorporated into the federal regulations as part of the requirements for ensuring the provision of a free appropriate public education (FAPE). To meet their obligation to provide FAPE to students with disabilities, schools must ensure that all eligible students receive special education and related services consistent with their IEPs.

The case conference committee is responsible for the determination of an individual student's need for ESY services. The determination of ESY services and its documentation is both complex and elusive. These guidelines and procedures are meant to assist the case conference committee in their discussion.