

IDEA 2004 website:

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This site was created to provide a "one-stop shop" for resources related to IDEA and its implementing regulations, released on August 3, 2006. It is a "living" website and will change and grow as resources and information become available. The site provides searchable versions of IDEA and the regulations, access to cross-referenced content from other laws (e.g., the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), etc.), video clips on selected topics, topic briefs on selected regulations, links to OSEP's Technical Assistance and Dissemination (TA&D) Network and a Q&A Corner where you can submit questions, and a variety of other information sources. The cross-referenced and cross-linked capability of the search function, and related information and resources provide a tremendous tool for those seeking complete and the latest information on IDEA 2004.

### **Q&A Corner**

Click on "Contact Us" at the bottom of the web page to get to the *Q&A Corner*. This section of the website provides a way for you to ask questions about the statute or regulations or associated policy and guidelines. Questions will be compiled and Q&A documents created periodically to respond to questions of general interest. Note that each question will not receive an individual response. Please read the completed *Q&A Documents*, to see if your question has already been addressed.

### **Browse Major Topics**

On the left side, in the top green box, *Browse Major Topics*, you will find Topic Briefs published by OSEP on the major changes in the regulations. Click on title to bring up the related resources. They might include:

- Related sections of the statute
- Related sections from the regulations
- Video clip
- Dialogue guide
- Presentations
- Search feature
- Helpful links

### **Check These Out**

The left side, bottom green box contains additional documents for you to read and/or download:

- Regulations
- Statute

- Curriculum
- Model Forms
- Video Clips
- Presentations
- Dialogue Guides
- Q&A Documents

### **Search**

The search function allows you to search the entire site, the statute, and the regulations. To search the **regulations**, enter the search key word, set the pull down to "regulations" and go.....The pertinent sections of the regulations appear at the top of the screen, other resources appear at the bottom of the screen-----all are linked and connected. If you click on the section of the regulation, the section text appears. If you then look at the right side, below the search box, additional related sections of the **statute** now appear. If you were to search on the statute, and go through the same process as above, you would pull related section of the regulations.