

JOHNSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Special Services

DATE:

NAME:		D.O.B.:
SCHOOL:	TEACHER/COUNSELOR:	GRADE:

Dear Parent:

This letter is in response to your request for an independent educational evaluation. Consistent with the *Regulations of the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education Governing the Special Education of Students with Disabilities* an “independent educational evaluation means an evaluation conducted by a qualified examiner who is not employed by the school district responsible for the education of the student in question”. As a parent you have the right to an independent educational evaluation at public expense if you disagree with an evaluation conducted by the school district. On

DATE:

you submitted the request for the evaluation indicating that you are not in agreement with the findings of the school staff. I have reviewed the information available and the school district will agree to a referral for the completion of the following independent educational evaluation(s) at public expense:

The special education professional staff/agencies are recommended for you consideration:

	NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
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Whenever an independent educational evaluation is at the expense of the school district, the professional staff completing the evaluation must hold appropriate certification and have knowledge of the Rhode Island Regulations regarding the identification and provision of special education services to students with disabilities.

Please indicate the person/agency that you have selected by completing the enclosed Release of Information form. You may return the form in the enclosed envelope and upon receipt the school district will forward a letter of referral. Upon completion and receipt of the evaluation the Evaluation or IEP Team will be reconvened to review the results and make appropriate recommendations. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the *Parental Rights and Procedural Safeguards in Special Education*. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours truly,

Director of Special Education