

## Special Education Funding: Non-Mandated Age Ranges

MAASE recommends that districts be reimbursed for 100% of the state-mandated special education programs and services it provides that fall outside the federally required age ranges (birth through age 3, ages 22-26).

Focus:



State



Michigan has mandated that districts provide special education to eligible individuals from birth through age three and ages 22-26. Michigan is the only state that provides services for eligible students over age 21, and one of five that mandates services for children birth through age three.

Unlike any other state, funding that is intended for Michigan's K-12 system is being diverted to provide these mandated services.



### Legislation Tied to This:

- SB 130
- HB 4089 (H-1)

### Data:

- Federal IDEA legislation requires special education and related services for individuals with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 22.
- Michigan laws mandates services for additional ages: birth – age 3 and ages 22-26.

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