

ESY – Module 1

What is ESY?

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What are ESY Services?

- Special education services
- And/or related services
- Uniquely designed to provide
- A Free and Appropriate Public Education or FAPE
- To eligible students with disabilities

Extended School Year



What Makes ESY Services Unique?

ESY services are provided beyond the normal school year

- More Days
- More Hours



IS ESY LIKE SUMMER SCHOOL?

Summer School

- Designed for all students
- Teaches new skills
- Helps students catch on and catch up

ESY

- Designed for students with disabilities
- Teaches previously learned skills
Prevents students from falling further behind



How Does ESY Help?

- Retains skills previously learned
- Fully masters recently learned skills
- Does not lose time re-learning skills
- Does not miss a unique window of opportunity



Why Not Just Go to Summer School?

- Skilled instructors
- Familiar with the IEP
- Specialized instruction
- Adaptations
- Modifications
- Behavior intervention



Why not just create year-round learning opportunities?

- Could be Beneficial
- Not Yet Required
- Also is Expensive

Will ESY Help a Student Make AYP?



- Performance
- Rate of Progress
- Regression
- Recoupment

ESY VS. SUMMER SCHOOL

Kids in summer school and ESY may

- Go to the same school
- At the same time
- Spend time together each day
- Take part in joint activities

I'm confused?





Teaching Familiar Skills VS. New Skills

- If time permits can't we do both?
- Why isn't catching up as important as not falling farther behind?
- Isn't the team supposed to help my child reach his goals?

I'm confused! Does ESY really help my child all that much and how?



ESY vs. Child Care

When I came to observe I noticed that . . .

- The ESY staff didn't have a current IEP to follow
- The “snap shot” information was inaccurate and created without my input.
- The staff were not trained to use his technology or implement his behavior plan.



Let's Recap! ESY is

- Special Education
- Related Services
- To Prevent regression
- Addresses recoupment
- Not childcare, summer school or respite care
- Required for some children to benefit from education.

REALITY CHECK

YES	NO	QUESTION
✓		1. ESY includes any related services.
	✓	2. ESY is the same as summer school
✓		3. ESY is not intended to teach new skills
✓		4. ESY requires highly qualified instructors
	✓	5. ESY provides families with respite care
	✓	6. ESY takes place only in the summer
✓		7. ESY helps students to receive FAPE
✓		8. ESY is helpful when students really need it

READY TO LEARN MORE?

The next module informs parents about who is eligible for ESY services and how decisions about eligibility are made.

