

# South Dakota Parent and Families RESOURCE GUIDE *to Learning Disabilities*



In South Dakota

**13.5%**

of public school students received  
special education services

**7,081 CHILDREN**

(ages 6-21) in 2018-19 in South Dakota  
were identified as having specific learning  
disabilities (SLDs)



## South Dakota Learning Disabilities Laws & Guidelines

[Dyslexia Handbook for  
Teachers and Parents in  
South Dakota \(SD DoE, 2017\)](#)

[Special Education Eligibility  
Guide \(SD DoE, 2016\)](#)

## South Dakota Resources

» [South Dakota Department of  
Education's Office of Special  
Education Programs](#)

» [South Dakota Advisory Panel  
on Children with Disabilities](#)

» [South Dakota Parent  
Connection](#)

» [Rocky Mountain ADA Center](#)



# Federal Laws Protecting the Rights of Students and Adults with Learning Disabilities



- » Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
- » Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- » Americans with Disabilities Act
- » Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
- » Every Student Succeeds Act
- » Research Excellence and Advancements for Dyslexia Act

## 40%

Congress promised to fund the extra cost of special education in 1975 with IDEA

## 15%

The extra cost of special education that Congress appropriated in 2021

### Nationwide

## 14% or 7 million

public school students received special education in 2017-18

### Nationwide

## 34% or 2.38 million

public school students who received special education services had SLDs

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## PARENT RESOURCES

- » [What Every Parent Needs to Know About Learning Disabilities](#) (LDA of America)
- » [Developing Your Child's IEP](#) (Center for Parent Information & Resources)
- » [Understanding Special Education](#) (Understood)
- » [A Guide to the IEP](#) (U.S. Department of Education)