

281—34.5(218) Program submission and approval. Educational programs shall be submitted, reviewed, modified, and approved using the following procedures:

34.5(1) *Submission.* Each institution shall submit a proposed educational program to the department of education and the department of human services by January 1 for the following school year. The proposed program shall be submitted on forms provided or in the manner prescribed by the department and shall include a description of the following:

a. The general education program including content standards, benchmarks, student learning goals and all other requirements of 281—Chapter 12.

b. Special education services including instructional, support and other services that ensure the provision of a free appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment for students with disabilities in accordance with 281—Chapter 41.

c. Procedures that will be implemented to ensure the effective transition of each child back to the school district of the child's residence.

34.5(2) *Approval.* The department shall review and approve or modify the proposed educational program by February 1 and communicate this action to each institution. The department shall also notify the department of revenue of its action by February 1.