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Dear Ms. McKechnie:

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE), Bureau of Student Support (Bureau) is writing to report the results of the NHDOE Special Education Program Approval Review of the **Bedford School District's NECC Partner Programs** for students with educational disabilities as required by RSA 186:C. The criteria for the program approval review are specified in the New Hampshire Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities, effective May 24, 2017, Amended June 14, 2019, Amended August 9, 2018 and IDEA 2004.

The New Hampshire Department of Education has approved your request for the **addition of the primary disability categories (highlighted below)** effective **February 3, 2020**.

**The New Hampshire Department of Education, Bureau of Student Support, approves the following special education instructional program(s):**

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in the New Hampshire Special Education Information System (NHSEIS))</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>NECC Partner Program</b> (Created 08/22/14— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 6 students)  <b>Riddle Brook School</b> 230 New Boston Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: K-4	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	<b>Acquired Brain Injury</b> Autism Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance <b>Hearing Impairment</b> Intellectual Disability <b>Multiple Disabilities</b> Other Health Impairment <b>Specific Learning Disability</b> <b>Speech-Language Impairment</b> <b>Traumatic Brain Injury</b>	Self-contained	Year round

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<p><b>NECC Partner Program</b>            (Created 07/06/2017—            Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 6 students)</p> <p><b>McKelvie Intermediate School</b>            108 Liberty Hill Road            Bedford, NH 03110</p> <p><b>Bedford School District</b></p>	Grades: 5-6	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	<p><b>Acquired Brain Injury</b>            Autism            Deafness  <b>Developmental Delay</b>            Emotional Disturbance            Hearing Impairment            Intellectual Disability  <b>Multiple Disabilities</b>            Other Health Impairment            Specific Learning Disability            Speech-Language Impairment  <b>Traumatic Brain Injury</b></p>	Self-contained	Year Round

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<p><b>NECC Partner Program</b>            (Created 07/06/17—Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 6 students)</p> <p><b>Ross A. Lurgio Middle School</b>            47A Nashua Road            Bedford, NH 03110</p> <p><b>Bedford School District</b></p>	Grades: 7-8	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	<p><b>Acquired Brain Injury</b>            Autism            Deafness            Emotional Disturbance            Hearing Impairment            Intellectual Disability  <b>Multiple Disabilities</b>            Other Health Impairment            Specific Learning Disability            Speech-Language Impairment  <b>Traumatic Brain Injury</b></p>	Self-contained	Year Round

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>NECC Partner Program (Created 07/06/2017—Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 5 students)</b>  <b>Bedford High School</b> 47B Nashua Road Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 9-12	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	<b>Acquired Brain Injury</b> Autism Deafness Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability <b>Multiple Disabilities</b> Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment <b>Traumatic Brain Injury</b>	Self-contained	Year Round

These changes have been made in NHSEIS as of the date of this letter.

The following previously approved programs for the **Bedford** School District are provided for your review and are approved until otherwise notified.

**McKelvie Intermediate School** Grades 5-6

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Intensive Needs (Created 09/01/92—Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 3 students)</b>  <b>McKelvie Intermediate School</b> 108 Liberty Hill Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 5-6	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> (as recorded in NHSEIS)	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Resource Room</b> (Created 07/01/1983— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 87 students)  <b>McKelvie Intermediate School</b> 108 Liberty Hill Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 5-6	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

**Memorial School** Grades P K-4

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> (as recorded in NHSEIS)	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>PRESCHOOL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Early Education Intensive Needs</b> (Created 07/01/1990— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 3 students)  <b>Memorial School</b> 55 Old Bedford Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: Preschool	Approved early childhood special education programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (c) Class Size and Age Range.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Early Childhood Special Education Program	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Resource Room</b> (Created 07/01/1983— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 56 students)  <b>Memorial School</b> 55 Old Bedford Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: K-4	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

**Peter Woodbury School Grades K-4**

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Resource Room Program</b> (Created 07/01/1983— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 44 students)  <b>Peter Woodbury School</b> 180 County Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: K-4	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

**Riddle Brook School** Grades K-4

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Intensive Needs</b> (Created 09/01/1999— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 11 students)  <b>Riddle Brook School</b> 230 New Boston Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: K-4	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

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<b>Resource Room</b> (Created 09/01/1999— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 42 students)  <b>Riddle Brook School</b> 230 New Boston Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: K-4	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

**Ross A. Lurgio Middle School** Grades 7-8

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Intensive Needs/Life Skills Enrichment</b> (Created 07/01/2007— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 5 students)  <b>Ross A. Lurgio Middle School</b> 47A Nashua Rd Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 7-8	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Resource Room</b> (Created 07/01/2007— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 72 students)  <b>Ross A. Lurgio Middle School</b> 47A Nashua Rd Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 7-8	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

**Bedford High School** Grades 9-12

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Behavior Support/ Bridges Program</b> (Created 07/01/2007— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 23 students)  <b>Bedford High School</b> 47B Nashua Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 9-12	Self- contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Intensive Needs/ Life Skills Enrichment</b> (Created 08/27/2007— Current utilized capacity in NHSEIS as of 09/27/21 is 15 students)  <b>Bedford High School</b> 47B Nashua Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School District</b>	Grades: 9-12	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year



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<b>Resource Room/            Skills Class</b> <b>(Created 07/01/2007—            Current utilized            capacity in NHSEIS            as of 09/27/21 is            138 students)</b>  <b>Bedford High            School</b> 47B Nashua Rd. Bedford, NH 03110  <b>Bedford School            District</b>	Grades: 9-12	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

You must inform the New Hampshire Department of Education of any new special education programs or substantive program changes that may have a bearing on your special education program approval status. In addition, any deficiencies which may arise for fire, safety and/or health reasons and which could cause revocation of State Health and Fire licensure should be reported immediately to the New Hampshire Department of Education.

The Bureau extends to you its appreciation for your cooperation and assistance. We look forward to our continued partnership in working with you to provide quality special education services to students with disabilities.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (603) 271-4776 or Joanne DeBello@doe.nh.gov.

Sincerely,



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 Education Consultant

cc: Michael Fournier, Superintendent  
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