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NEWS RELEASE

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Community Invited to IDEA Meetings in Ruidoso

SANTA FE - The Special Education Bureau of the Public Education Department would like to invite members of the community, parents, and school district personnel to attend the December 3 and 4, 2009 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Advisory Panel meeting at the Region IX Education Cooperative, 1400 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, (575) 257-2368.

The meetings will be held from 8:30 A.M. to 4:45 P.M. on December 3, and 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. on December 4, 2009.

The following subjects will be discussed:

- On December 3, 2009, the New Mexico State IDEA Advisory Panel will give input regarding the State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report Indicators and have a facilitated discussion on Dyslexia.
- On December 4, 2009, the New Mexico State IDEA Advisory Panel will meet in their subcommittees and work on the goals and objectives for the 2009 – 2010 term.

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires each state to create a state advisory panel. New Mexico has established and maintains an advisory panel for the purpose of providing policy guidance with respect to special education and related services for children with disabilities in the State. The Special Education Bureau encourages community input for the overall improvement of educational success.

The IDEA Advisory Panel agenda can be found on the main page of the Special Education Bureau website <http://www.ped.state.nm.us/seo/index.htm>. For information contact Leah Erickson at (505) 827-1458 or via email leah.erickson@state.nm.us.

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