



DENIAL OF THERAPEUTIC DAY SCHOOL

If a therapeutic day school (TDS) placement was taken away, delayed, or denied for your child during the 2016-17 or 2017-18 school year, then you should think about filing a complaint to get extra services for your child.

What Should I Put in the “Supporting Facts”?

Write it in the “supporting facts” if CPS did any of these things:

- Changed or took away your child’s TDS placement without a big change in your child’s functioning;
- Told you there wasn’t enough data or days of observation for the decision to be made;
- The IEP team agreed to a TDS placement, but it was not given to your child;
- The IEP team said your child should get a TDS placement. But you did not get it because there wasn’t enough data, the District Representative said no, or the District Representative was not at the meeting;
- Told you they needed to observe your child and get 5 weeks of school data, even if private evaluations said your child needed a TDS placement; or
- Told you the CPS computerized IEP blocked a TDS placement.

What Should I Put in the “Proposed Remedy” (what can I ask for)?

If your child didn’t get placement in a TDS, then you can ask for:

- If your child never got a TDS, you can ask for it now. If your child has a TDS placement now, you should ask for extra services like:
 - Tutoring after school or over the summer.
 - Other services, like social work or therapy, if not having a TDS limited progress in that area.
- If your child’s issues have gotten worse due to the lack of a TDS, you should think about what other services he needs to make up for that, like getting more intensive services (through TDS or residential programs) or getting services for more time than usual.

If you have questions or need help filling out the Complaint, call for FREE legal help:

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