

WARE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

IDEA requires that public school districts ensure that leaders of private schools and parents of private school and home schooled students have opportunities to engage in "timely and meaningful" consultation about the opportunity to access special education. Ware Public Schools will be facilitating a Proportionate Share meeting on **Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Ware Junior Senior High School to discuss the following with leaders of private schools and parents of private school and home schooled students:

- a. Child find process
- b. Determination of proportionate share
- c. Consultation schedule and methodology for the year
- d. Provision of proportionate share services

e. Written explanation of proportionate share services if the district disagrees with the views of the private school officials

Please consider this letter your formal invitation to attend and participate in the Proportionate Share meeting. Feel free to contact me should you have questions regarding this matter. I look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,

Jessica R. Bolduc Director of Special Education Ware Public Schools

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