

## Nonpublic School Services ***What You Need to Know***

### **What is Act 89?**

Act 89 was established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to provide auxiliary services to nonpublic school students. The program is a **state-funded** mandate that is supervised and administered through intermediate units. The Colonial Intermediate Unit 20's (CIU 20) Act 89 Nonpublic School Services program (NPSS) provides remedial reading and math support, academic consultation, school psychology services, and school counseling services to the nonpublic schools in its catchment area. These services may be direct or indirect.

### **Program Funding**

Act 89 funding **does not** carry an individual entitlement of services to any one student or school. The allocated funds are limited and must be carefully budgeted each year in order to include the greatest number of students in the program.

### **Program Eligibility and Enrollment**

Any student, who is a **resident of this commonwealth**, and whose tuition **is not** paid by the commonwealth, is eligible to receive auxiliary services under Act 89 if enrolled in grades K-12 inclusive in a nonpublic school. The program is funded for these students. Out-of-state and international students **do not** qualify for services under Act 89.

### **Dismissal from the Act 89 Program**

The goal of the Act 89 program is to dismiss students based on their academic achievement and success. Students may be dismissed from the Act 89 program when they have demonstrated the skills to be successful in the classroom without auxiliary support.

### **Contact Us**

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