



MASE Legislative Implementation Ideas: Expanding Special Education Services to Age 22

What are the BIG ideas you captured regarding the change?



Students can continue until age 22. Funding ends on 22nd birthday (general consensus, though mixed messages from MDE). Something was sent out saying that students could receive support through the end of the year.

A flow chart was sent out.

An email was sent to Directors that has a flow chart. [MARSS Memos](#)

Some districts are indicating this is not retro-active. If students have already graduated, they have graduated (MDE has indicated this as well)

MDE Website → Districts, Schools and Educators → School Finance → MARSS Student Accounting → MARSS Reporting Instructions

[School Attendance Age Limitations](#)

What is the timeline associated with this change?



Waiting for clarity from MDE before sharing things out

Because of this learning, what will your district:

Start doing?

Stop doing?

Continue or Tweak?



Start:

- Planning for more students and therefore more staff and space needs

Stop:

- Exiting students in June of the year they turn 21

Continue/Tweak:

- Once a student receives their diploma, regardless of age, they are no longer eligible for services

<p>What do you need to share and with whom?</p>	<p>No one has started communicating out yet because of conflicting information and concern about implications. Until there is clarity, most are holding tight with making any formal plans.</p>
<p>What questions do you have? What additional guidance is needed?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Do these students generate funding through the year they turn 22 or does it end on 22nd birthday? Conflicting information from MDE. Are students eligible for services until June 30th of the year they turn 22 or do they need to be exited as of their 22nd birthday? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Flowchart has confusing information in MARSS memo ○ MDE Website → Districts, Schools and Educators → School Finance → MARSS Student Accounting → MARSS Reporting Instructions ○ School Attendance Age Limitations