



CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

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Circular No. Acad-31/2015

All Heads of Schools
Affiliated to the Board

Subject: "Mandatory appointment of a special educator in all the schools affiliated to CBSE"

Dear Principal,

The Central Board of Secondary Education in its continued effort to ensure quality education for all children, including children with special needs covered under section 3, 8 (c) and 9 (c) of the Right to Education (2009) Act, providing guidelines to its affiliated schools periodically about exemptions and support services essential for inclusion of children with special needs.

This is in continuation to our Circular No.45 dated 29.10.2008, Circular no. 65 dated 24.12.2009, Circular no.25 dated 12.04.2012, Circular no.20/2014 and affiliation byelaws rule no.23(18), rule no.13.11 and rule no. 11 regarding inclusive practices in CBSE schools.

A special educator is specifically required in schools to work with children and young adults who require additional support in order to complete their learning successfully. These teachers may work with children with physical disabilities, sensory impairments, developmental disabilities such as Autism, Mental Retardation, Cerebral Palsy and Specific Learning Disabilities, as they are emotionally vulnerable and have behavioral difficulties. A special educator can also work with gifted and talented children. The qualifications of a special educator are enclosed at Annexure 'A'.

Therefore, in pursuance of the recommendations and approval of curriculum committee held on 02.08.2014 and subsequently ratified by governing body meeting held on 06.08.14, it is made mandatory to appoint special educators in all schools to ensure effective and meaningful inclusion of children with disabilities in schools.

The Board will appreciate the cooperation of the schools in implementation of the above.

Yours sincerely,

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