



Least Restrictive Environments Resources

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MDE Resources

MDE Office of Special Education: [Family Matters FAPE Fact Sheet](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/FAPE_FactSheet_600260_7.pdf) [PDF]
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MDE Office of Special Education: [Family Matters Educational Placement and the Least Restrictive Environment \(LRE\) Fact Sheet](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/LRE_FactSheet_600258_7.pdf) [PDF]
(https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/LRE_FactSheet_600258_7.pdf)

Other Resources

[The Arc: Principles of IDEA: LRE](https://youtu.be/GFrbfdOTf7o) [Video] (<https://youtu.be/GFrbfdOTf7o>)

IRIS Center: [Least Restrictive Environment \(LRE\) Information Brief](https://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/wp-content/uploads/pdf_info_briefs/IRIS_Least_Restrictive_Environment_InfoBrief_092519.pdf) [PDF]
(https://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/wp-content/uploads/pdf_info_briefs/IRIS_Least_Restrictive_Environment_InfoBrief_092519.pdf)

Pacer Center: [Least Restrictive Environment](https://www.pacer.org/parent/php/php-c7.pdf) [PDF]
(<https://www.pacer.org/parent/php/php-c7.pdf>)

US Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services:
[Updated Dear Colleague Letter on Preschool Least Restrictive Environments, January 9, 2017](https://sites.ed.gov/idea/files/idea/policy/speced/guid/idea/memosdcltrs/preschool-lre-dcl-1-10-17.pdf) [PDF]
(<https://sites.ed.gov/idea/files/idea/policy/speced/guid/idea/memosdcltrs/preschool-lre-dcl-1-10-17.pdf>)

Zirkel, Perry: [National Compilation of Case Law 1998 to the Present Under the IDEA and Section 504/ADA](https://perryzirkel.files.wordpress.com/2021/01/national-update-12.31.20.pdf) [PDF] See section I.C. for cases related to LRE.
(<https://perryzirkel.files.wordpress.com/2021/01/national-update-12.31.20.pdf>)