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Dear Mr. Jim Buckheit, Executive Director

I am in support of transition at age 14. Transition allows for more students to successfully graduate, which reduces drop out rates and improves outcomes for all students with disabilities. The Federal Government is using the 20 indicators to judge Pennsylvania. I believe it was a very important decision on the part of the State Board to maintain the age 14 requirements.

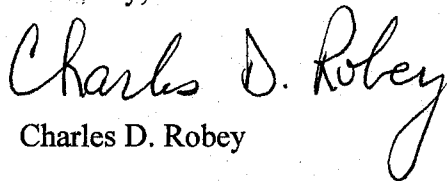
I would encourage the State Board to consider the caseload chart with Level II standing at 20 students instead of the proposed 25. In addition, I recommend that the Speech and Language caseload for school age be set at a maximum of 50, students due to the changing nature of services and the number of contacts per week with each student on the caseload.

On the issue of behavior, I appreciate the detail used when describing a restraint. This will be most helpful at the IEP team meeting, in order to be in compliance. Understanding the written word in this section will be critical.

Finally, please maintain the "60 school days" for the evaluation process.

I thank you and the State Board for the opportunity to share my thoughts and opinions!

Sincerely,

  
Charles D. Robey

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