

281—59.3(257) Development of plan. On or before November 1 of each year a local education agency may submit program plans to the department to provide gifted and talented programming for the school year commencing the following July 1.

The department of education may upon request allow a local education agency to submit program plans after November 1 for good cause. Good cause shall include illness or death of a local education agency staff member, acts of God, or unforeseeable circumstances which in the opinion of the director of the department of education constitute sufficient cause for allowing submission of program plans after November 1. A local education agency desiring permission to submit a program plan after November 1 shall notify the department of education staff member responsible for receiving applications as soon as possible upon determining that it will not be able to meet the November 1 deadline. When an extension of the submission deadline is allowed, the department of education shall establish a date by which the local education agency shall submit the plan. Permission to submit a program plan after November 1 shall expire upon receipt of the program plan by the department of education, and shall not carry over into subsequent application years.