

Locating Information in i3

For a **video tutorial** of search methods outlined below, ***accessible with audio***, [please access this video](#).

There are several ways to locate specific guidance topics in the i3 website, with the basics illustrated below:

Categories and Sections on the Home Page

Users may scroll down the home page to see categories and subcategories - Early Intervention, Special Education, and Resources. Subcategories may be clicked on to locate relevant information. **Example:**

Legacy System Documentation Guide Legacy IEP/IFSP System Locating Information Tutorial Videos

Early Intervention (Ages 0 to 3) Special Education (Ages 3 to 21) Resources Site Updates

Special Education Services for Students (3 up to 21)

Students with disabilities (ages 3 – graduation or up to 21) receive special education and related services as outlined in their **Individualized Education Program (IEP)**.

Evaluation and Eligibility

Ensure accurate identification and educational planning for students with disabilities.

[Learn More About Evaluations](#)

Individualized Education Programs (IEPs)

Find essential and detailed information about the development and implementation of IEPs.

[Explore IEPs](#)

Procedural Safeguards for Parents

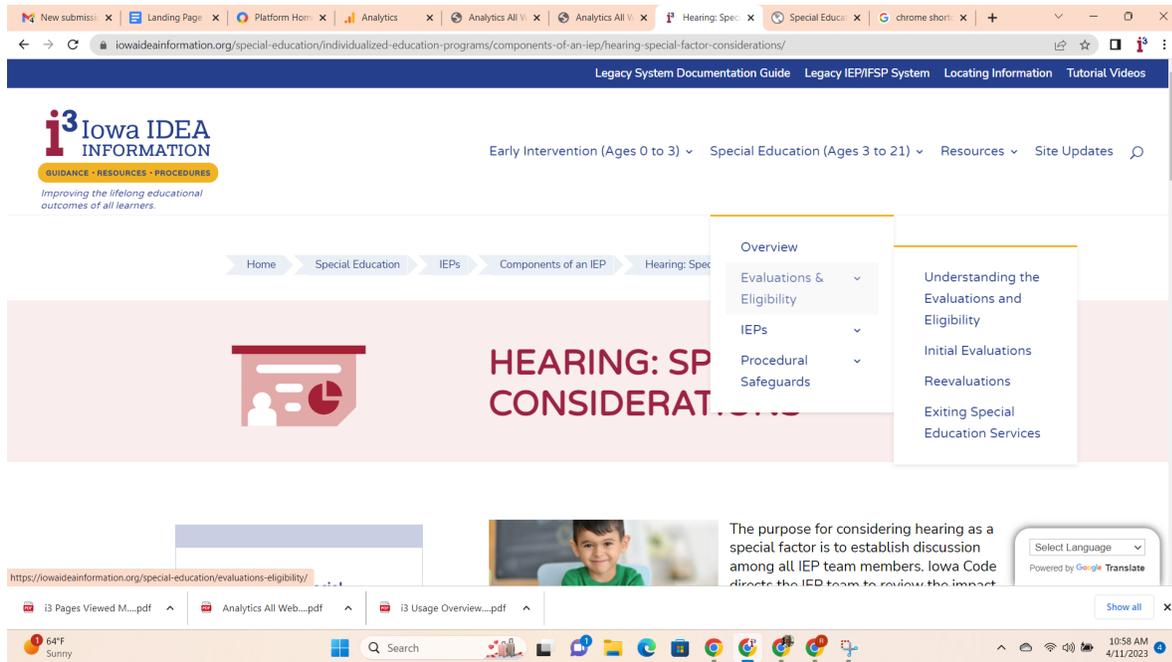
Learn about IDEA procedural safeguards for parents, guardians, and children with disabilities.

[Discover Procedural Saf](#)

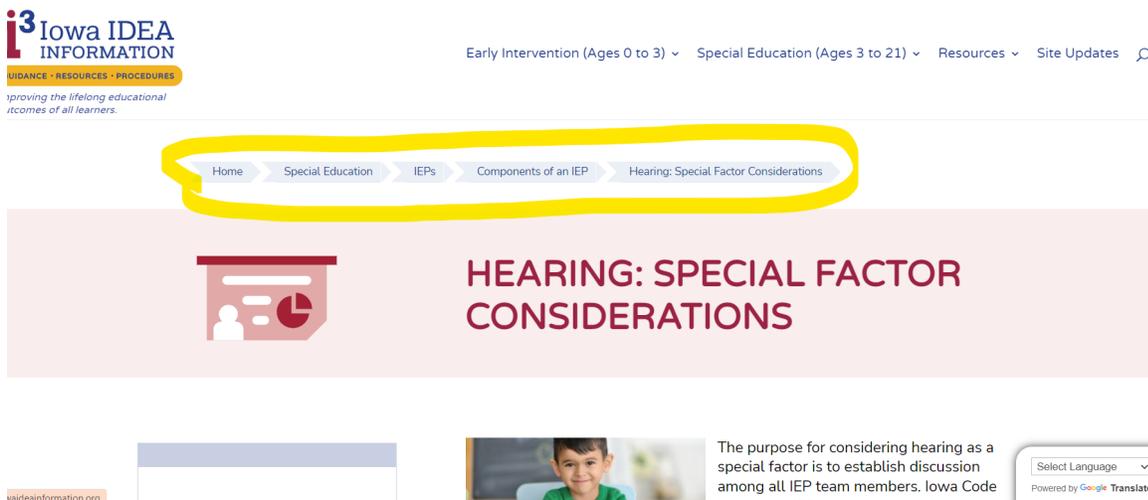
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Headings and Drop-down Menus

Users may use the drop down menus of categories and sub-categories (Early Intervention, Special Education, Resources) to navigate to the desired guidance pages. **Example**

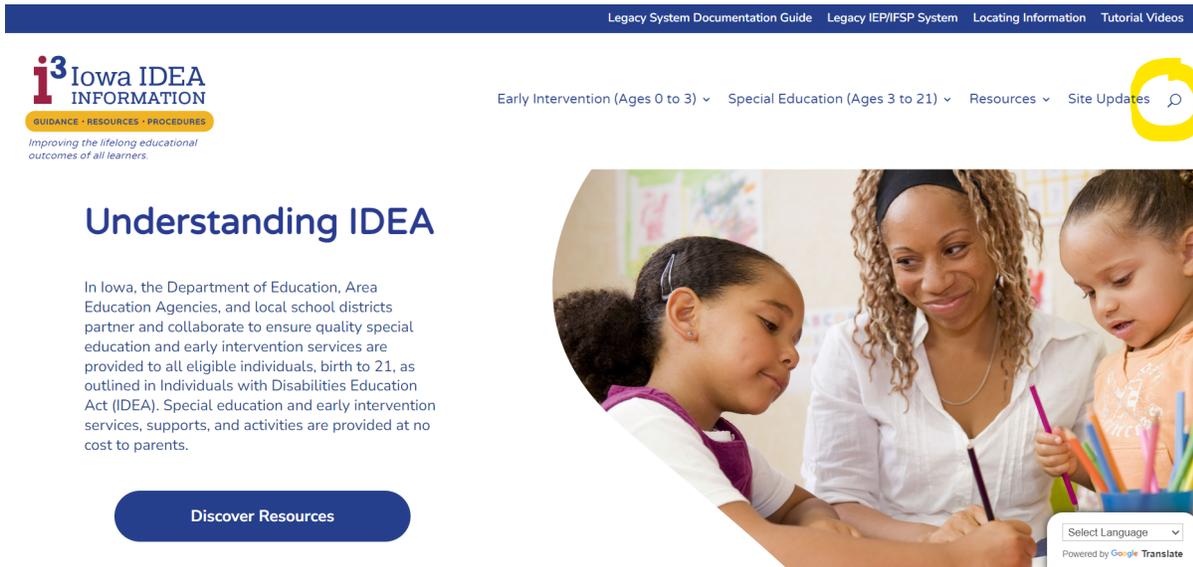


After navigating several pages into a tiered sequence, notice that there are "breadcrumbs" at the top of the page, where user's may easily click back to the previous pages. **Example:**



Search Function

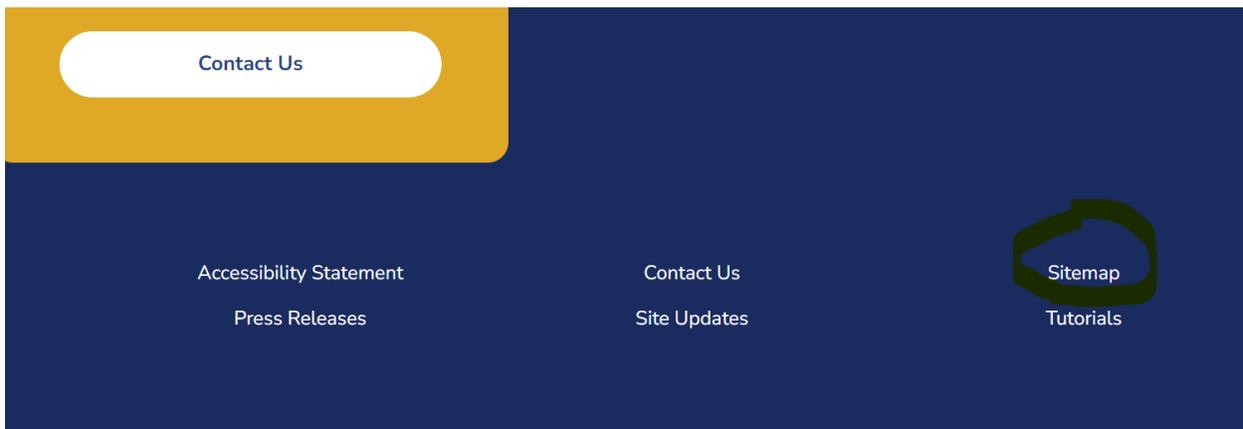
The magnifying glass icon in the upper right corner may be used to enter keywords, to search for specific guidance topics. Typing in keywords will result in a display of pages that match the search criteria. **Example:**



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with links: Legacy System Documentation Guide, Legacy IEP/IFSP System, Locating Information, and Tutorial Videos. The main header includes the i3 Iowa IDEA INFORMATION logo with the tagline "Improving the lifelong educational outcomes of all learners." and a search icon. Below the header, there are dropdown menus for "Early Intervention (Ages 0 to 3)", "Special Education (Ages 3 to 21)", "Resources", and "Site Updates". The main content area features a large image of a teacher and two students working together. To the left of the image is the article title "Understanding IDEA" and a short paragraph of text. Below the text is a blue button labeled "Discover Resources". In the bottom right corner of the image area, there is a language selection dropdown and a "Powered by Google Translate" notice.

Site Map

The link for the i3 Site Map can be used to access a listing of sections/links that are in a format similar to a table of contents. **Example - link at bottom of the home page:**



The screenshot shows the bottom of the website with a dark blue background. On the left, there is a yellow button labeled "Contact Us". In the center, there are links for "Accessibility Statement", "Press Releases", "Contact Us", and "Site Updates". On the right, there is a green magnifying glass icon with the text "Sitemap" and "Tutorials" below it.

The site map is similar to a table of contents and has links to sections of the i3 guidance:

The screenshot shows a navigation menu for the 'Legacy System Documentation Guide'. The menu is organized into a tree structure. The top-level item is 'Early Intervention (Ages 0 to 3)', which is expanded to show a sub-menu. The sub-menu items are: 'Procedural Safeguards for Early Intervention', 'Special Education', and 'Resources'. Under 'Procedural Safeguards for Early Intervention', there are five items: 'Dispute Resolution', 'Early Intervention Records', 'Parent Consent', 'Parent Participation in IFSP Processes', and 'Prior Written Notice'. Under 'Special Education', there are two items: 'Evaluations & Eligibility' and 'Child Find Process for Special Education'. Under 'Evaluations & Eligibility', there are three items: 'Defining a Disability', 'Suspecting a Disability', and 'Consent and Initial Evaluation Planning'. Under 'Child Find Process for Special Education', there is one item: 'Iowa's Position on Disability Categories'. The 'Resources' item is highlighted with a yellow circle.

- Procedural Safeguards for Early Intervention
 - Dispute Resolution
 - Early Intervention Records
 - Parent Consent
 - Parent Participation in IFSP Processes
 - Prior Written Notice
- Special Education
 - Evaluations & Eligibility
 - Defining a Disability
 - Iowa's Position on Disability Categories
 - Suspecting a Disability
 - Consent and Initial Evaluation Planning
 - Child Find Process for Special Education
- Resources

Note: Resource Links are available at the bottom of many pages

At the bottom of most pages, a link to the general resource page and other resources are linked. **Example (from the Secondary Transition page):**

The screenshot shows the footer of a website page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links to 'Legacy System Documentation Guide', 'Legacy IEP/IFSP System', 'Locating Information', and 'Tutorial Videos'. Below the navigation bar, there is a secondary navigation bar with links to 'Early Intervention (Ages 0 to 3)', 'Special Education (Ages 3 to 21)', 'Resources', and 'Site Updates'. The main content area of the footer is titled 'Secondary Transition Resources'. Below the title, there is a paragraph of text: 'Additional resources on Secondary Transition Planning for families and educators are located on the Resources page.' The word 'Resources' is highlighted with a yellow circle. Below the paragraph, there is a list of links: 'Iowa Secondary Transition Learning Community', 'Transition Iowa', 'National Technical Assistance Center on Transition (NTACT)', 'Transition Coalition', 'Zarrow Center for Learning', 'National Center on Secondary Education and Transition (NCSET)', and 'National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth (NCWD)'. A yellow bracket is drawn on the left side of the list of links. At the bottom right of the footer, there is a small grey button with an upward-pointing arrow.

Note: Iowa Administrative Code is linked at the bottom of many pages

Relevant sections from *Iowa Administrative Code / Iowa Rules of Special Education* are listed as links to the actual code at the bottom of many pages, for users who wish to read the source of Iowa's IDEA guidance. **Example (from Secondary Transition page):**



The screenshot shows a navigation bar with links: Legacy System Documentation Guide, Legacy IEP/IFSP System, Locating Information, Tutorial Videos, Early Intervention (Ages 0 to 3), Special Education (Ages 3 to 21), Resources, and Site Updates. Below the navigation bar is a section titled "Iowa Administrative Rules for Special Education" containing a bulleted list of rules:

- 281—41.5(256B,34CFR300) Assistive technology device
- 281—41.34 (256B,34CFR300) Related services
- 281—41.39 (256B,34CFR300) Special education
- 281—41.43(256B,34CFR300) Transition services
- 281—41.305 (256B,34CFR300) Additional requirements for evaluations and reevaluations
- 281—41.320 (256B,34CFR300) Definition of individualized education program
- 281—41.321 (256B,34CFR300) IEP team
- 281—41.324 (256B,34CFR300) Development, review, and revision of IEP
- 281—41.403(256B) Paraprofessionals

Note: i3 text can be translated to many additional languages, using the Google Translate function in the lower right corner.

Select from multiple languages in the translate function. **Example:**



The screenshot shows the Google Translate interface on the Iowa IDEA Information website. The text "Entendiendo IDEA" is visible, along with a paragraph explaining the partnership between the Iowa Department of Education, Area Education Agencies (AEAs), and local districts. The Google Translate widget is active, showing the text translated into Spanish. The widget includes a dropdown menu for selecting the target language (Spanish) and a "Powered by Google Translate" logo.

Iowa IDEA Information (i3) is a partnership between the Iowa Department of Education, Iowa's Area Education Agencies (AEAs), and local districts across the state.