

January 7, 2021

Dr. Keith Posley, Superintendent of Schools  
Milwaukee Public Schools  
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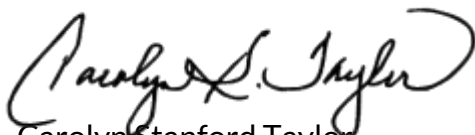
Dear Dr. Posley:

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (department) received Milwaukee Public School's (MPS) December 23, 2020, request for an extension of time to implement in-person instruction for students with Individual Education Programs (IEPs). I approve your request to extend the timeline for one week following the Milwaukee Board of School Directors meeting on January 28, 2021. By February 4, 2021, the department expects MPS will provide in-person services to those students who require them to receive a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE).

If MPS fails to provide in-person services as required for students with IEPs by the deadline of February 4, 2021, the department will move forward with withholding reimbursement of state special education categorical aids, as well as funds available under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The department will continue to monitor the determination and implementation of in-person and compensatory services.

The department is available to provide technical assistance and share practices to support MPS in the provision of FAPE. If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Dr. Barbara Van Haren, assistant state superintendent, Division for Learning Support, at [barbara.vanharen@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:barbara.vanharen@dpi.wi.gov) or (608) 266-1649.

Sincerely,



Carolyn Stanford Taylor  
State Superintendent

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cc: Larry Miller, Milwaukee School Board President