



Exceptional Student Services (ESS) / Data Management

SPED Exit Reason Codes 9 and 12

What's the difference?

To address questions from the field and improve data reporting with regard to the **SPED Exit Reason Codes 9 and 12**, ESS Data Management is providing this technical assistance document; the intent is to clarify the intended uses of these SPED Exit Reason Codes.

SPED Exit Reason Code 9 – Student is exited because of a change in SAIS data element(s) only.

SPED Exit Reason Code 9 is used when a student ends one SPED Service Participation and begins another. Scenarios in which this might occur include but are not limited to the following situations:

➔ Changing from one SPED Service Type to another:

- Student's Need Category is SLD.
- Student's SPED Service Type is A from 8/6 to 11/1.
- Student's IEP changes and the SPED Service Type becomes B on 11/2.
- Student is exited from the SPED Service Participation with SPED Service Type A with SPED Service Exit Date 11/1 by using **SPED Exit Reason Code 9** (changing SAIS data elements).
- Student is entered into a new SPED Service Participation with SPED Service Type B and SPED Service Entry Date 11/2.

➔ Changing from one Need Category to another:

- Student's Need Category is OHI from 8/6 to 10/8.
- Student's IEP changes and the Need Category becomes SLD on 10/9, while the Need Category for OHI ceases.
- Student is exited from the SPED Service Participation for Need Category OHI with SPED Service Exit Date 10/8 by using **SPED Exit Reason Code 9** (changing SAIS data elements).
- Student is entered into a new SPED Service Participation for Need Category SLD with SPED Service Entry Date 10/9.

➔ Changing the Federal Primary Need Indicator (FPNI):

- Student's Need Categories are SLI and SLD.



- From 8/6 until 11/15, SLI is indicated as the Federal Primary Need (FPN),
- Student's IEP changes and from 11/16 on, SLD will be indicated as the Federal Primary Need, while SLI will continue as a Need Category.
- Student is exited from both Services with SPED Service Exit Date 11/15 by using **SPED Exit Reason Code 9** (changing SAIS data elements).
- Student is entered into new SPED Services for both Need Categories with SPED Service Entry Date 11/16 (with SLD indicated as the FPN).

SPED Exit Reason Code 12 – Student is exited from one Need but continues in another.

SPED Exit Reason Code 12 is used when a student has been receiving SPED Services for two or more Needs at the same time and then ceases to receive SPED Services for one or more Needs while continuing to receive SPED Services for one or more of the other Needs. A scenario using SPED Exit Reason Code 12 follows:

- ➔ Exiting from one Need but continuing in another (this situation may require using both Exit Reason Codes 12 and 9):
- Student's Need Categories are SLD and SLI starting on 8/6.
 - Student's IEP changes and it is determined that the student will no longer receive services for SLI as of 12/5.
 - Student is exited from the Service for SLI with SPED Service Exit Date 12/5 by using **SPED Exit Reason Code 12** (exiting from one need; continuing in another).
 - If SLD was and continues to be the Federal Primary Need, no other action is required.
 - If SLI was the Federal Primary Need, the FPN must be changed to SLD:
 - Exit the student from the SPED Service for SLD on 12/5 by using **SPED Exit Reason Code 9** (changing SAIS data elements).
 - Add a new SPED Service Participation record for SLD with a SPED Service Entry Date of 12/6 and indicate that SLD is now the FPN.