

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION SUMMARY

COMPLAINT NUMBER:	CP-264-2008
COMPLAINT INVESTIGATOR:	Bobbie Ritz
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	September 24, 2007
DATE OF REPORT:	October 23, 2007
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION:	N/A
DATE OF CLOSURE:	February 6, 2008

COMPLAINT ISSUES:

Whether the Anderson Community School Corporation and the Anderson Area Special Education Cooperative violated:

511 IAC 7-18-2(a) by failing to provide a free and appropriate public education, specifically with respect to the certification of educational interpreters in accordance with 511 IAC 7-17-61 (Qualified professional) and 460 IAC 2-5-6 (Certificate requirements for practicing interpreters and transliterators).

FINDINGS OF FACT:

1. The School provided documentation of e-mails dated August 28, 2007 through September 6, 2007, between the Director of Special Education and an employee who was employed as an educational interpreter.
2. The School acknowledged the employee had not acquired proper certification by the first day of school, August 20, 2007. In addition, the School has failed to provide documentation that the educational interpreter is properly certified as of October 23, 2007.

CONCLUSIONS:

1. Finding of Fact #2 indicates that the School has not ensured that the educational interpreter was appropriately licensed or certified per 460 IAC 2-5-6. Therefore, a violation of 511 IAC 7-18-2(a) is found.

The Department of Education, Division of Exceptional Learners requires the following corrective action based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions listed above.

CORRECTIVE ACTION:

The Anderson Community School Corporation and the Anderson Area Special Education Cooperative shall:

1. Provide documentation to the Division by December 3, 2007, that the educational interpreter is appropriately certified, in accordance with 511 IAC 7-17-61 (Qualified professional) and 460 IAC 2-5-6 (Certificate requirements for practicing interpreters and transliterators).