**Section 226.560 Mediation**

a) The procedures for mediation shall conform to the requirements of 34 CFR 300.506.

b) The agreement of the parties to enter mediation shall allow the child to remain, or "stay put", in his or her current placement during the pendency of the mediation. The placement shall be the last placement to which the parties agreed.  *If mediation fails to resolve the dispute between the parties, the parent (or student if 18 years of age or older or emancipated) shall have 10 days after the mediation concludes to file a request for a due process hearing in order to continue to invoke the "stay-put" provisions.* (Section 14-8.02(j) of the School Code)

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