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# **FAQ: Education Plans At IMSA**

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## What is an Education Plan?

An Education Plan (also referred to as an Ed Plan) is a list of accommodations given to a student in order to support them academically based on where they may be struggling due to one or more disabilities.

# What is the process to receive an Education Plan?

The process begins by submitting diagnosis information to the current Academic Support Associate, Dr. Linda Hefferin, at lhefferin@imsa.edu.

#### What kind of diagnosis(ses) qualify for an education plan?

Education Plans are available for various types of medical or social-emotional diagnoses.

#### Can I submit my 504/IEP plan?

IMSA does not use 504/IEP plans. Students may submit their 504/IEP plans, but the doctor's diagnosis dated within the past three years is used to start the education plan process.

## Where can I get financial help in order to get a diagnosis?

There are options available to support low-income families in getting a student a diagnosis. If this would be beneficial to you, please speak to one of the counselors in Student Life and they will help explore the best option that works for your family.

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