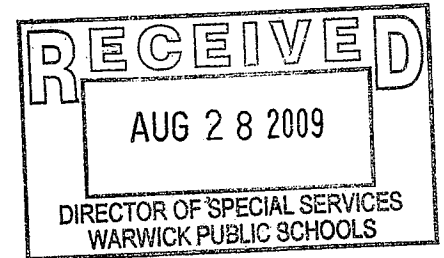




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**School Support System**  
*A Collaborative System of Focused Monitoring*  
**2009-2010**

Rhode Island Department of Education  
Office for Diverse Learners (ODL)  
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The Office for Diverse Learners (ODL) has established its 2009-2010 schedule of School Support System on-site reviews. This year monitoring reviews are scheduled for Burrillville, Coventry, Pawtucket, Northwest Region, Chariho, and Newport. The School Support System is being implemented by the Office for Diverse Learners to improve results for students who receive special education services. The School Support System evaluates the quality and effectiveness of special education, and the extent to which the district meets special education laws and regulations.

Participation in a School Support System on-site review is an exciting professional development opportunity. Volunteers may include parents, special education and general education teaching and/or administrative staff, school psychologists, school social workers, related service personnel school nurses, and others. *The Office for Diverse Learners can reimburse districts for substitutes when teaching staff participate. **Forty (40) contact hours will be awarded towards professional development credits.** Although the on-site reviews are typically a week in length, staff needs to commit for only 4 days during the visit (Monday – Thursday). Participation additionally requires attendance at the 1 hour team training session held the week prior to the district review.*

**If you are interested in serving on a School Support System Review Team, please carefully review the schedule below and complete the attached form. Forms can also be mailed to Jane Keane, at the Department of Education, Office for Diverse Learners or faxed to Jane Keane's attention at (401) 222-6030. If you have any questions please contact Jane at (401) 222-8998. Thank you for your support in this important process.**

Sincerely,

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to participate in a 2009-2010 School Support System Review. Please review the list below and select your choice in order of preference (1,2,3 etc.). Forty (40) contact hours will be awarded towards professional development credits.

<u>District</u>	<u>School Support Review Date</u>
_____ Burrillville	October 19-22, 2009
_____ Coventry	November 16-19, 2009
_____ Pawtucket	January 11-14, 2010
_____ Northwest Region	February 1-4, 2010
_____ Chariho	March 29-April 1, 2010
_____ Newport	May 17-20, 2010

Please complete and return to: Jane Keane, Focused Monitoring Specialist  
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