

1 **R277. Education, Administration.**

2 **R277-603. Autism Awareness Restricted Account Distribution.**

3 **R277-603-1. Authority and Purpose.**

4 (1) This rule is authorized by:

5 (a) Utah Constitution [Article X, Section 3](#), which vests general control and
6 supervision over public education in the Board;

7 (b) Section [53F-9-401](#), which authorizes the Superintendent to distribute autism
8 awareness funds appropriated by the Legislature; and

9 (c) Subsection [53E-3-401](#)(4); which allows the Board to make rules to execute the
10 Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law..

11 (2) The purpose of this rule is to provide procedures, timelines and accountability
12 for distribution of funds received in the Autism Awareness Restricted Account and
13 subsequently appropriated by the Legislature to eligible organizations.

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15 **R277-603-2. Definitions.**

16 [(1)] "Autism Awareness Restricted Account" means the account established under
17 Section [53F-9-401](#).

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19 **R277-603-3. Procedures.**

20 (1) The Superintendent shall provide an application for an organization that meets
21 the qualifications of Subsection [53F-9-401](#)(3), to apply for available Autism Awareness
22 Restricted Account funds to the extent of the legislative appropriation.

23 (2) The Superintendent shall review applications and select qualified recipients.

24 (3) An application shall include a budget section, a plan for use of the funds by
25 eligible charitable organizations consistent with Subsection [53F-9-401](#)(3), and other
26 information as requested.

27 (4) The Superintendent shall distribute funds to eligible charitable organizations, to
28 the extent of funds appropriated, annually.

29 **R277-603-4. Timelines.**

30 (1) The Superintendent shall announce the availability of funds annually by [~~March~~
31 May 15.

32 (2) Applicants may apply for funds on forms available from the Superintendent.

33 (3) Applications shall be due June 5 annually.

34 (4) Applicants identified for funding shall be notified no later than July 1 annually.

35 (5) The Superintendent shall distribute funds annually in July.

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37 **R277-603-5. Accountability.**

38 (1) The Superintendent shall require organizations that receive funding to complete
39 a year-end report describing and documenting the use of funds consistent with the law and
40 this rule.

41 (2) The year-end report may require an independent audit or review of a funded
42 program.

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44 **KEY: autism awareness, restricted account**

45 **Date of Enactment or Last Substantive Amendment:**

46 **Notice of Continuation: September 15, 2016**

47 **Authorizing, Implemented, or Interpreted Law: [Art X Sec 3](#); [53F-9-401](#); [53E-3-401](#)(4)**