

## Southgate Board of Education Meeting

April, 2018

### Special Education & Preschool Report

1. Working Preschool Roster for 2018-19 ---  
There are 17 students signed up; 4 are returning, 8 are 3yr olds coming in from First Steps, 3 are 3yr olds being screened for a possible delay at the request of the parent, 2 are 4yr olds.
2. Preschool Collaboration Grant Tier 3 is still a possibility. I will continue to watch for the information. In the past the grant was for up to \$75,000. If they are made available, I will jump on it immediately!
3. This week several cartons of new books for P-K were delivered to the Southgate Library. Over \$4,173.50 in books were purchased with the Tier 2 collaboration grant. Our school library was in great need of new picture books and pre-literacy books for our students. Students will be able to check them out next school year. Preschool also donated extra shelving for the books.
4. New preschool chairs for the cafeteria have been purchased. The height of the chairs will bring us into code. Tier 2 Grant money was used to make the purchase.
5. Last day of school for Preschool will be Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
6. May 3<sup>rd</sup> will also be the preschool graduation ceremony followed by the **Preschool Carnival on the Playground**. Graduation will start at 5:00 in the auditorium and will last approximately 20 minutes. We will then proceed to the playground for pizza, a Sundae Bar, carnival games and the ever so popular bouncy house! All festivities will end at 7:00.
7. KDE is seeking feedback from parents of students with IEPs. They are surveying to see how involved parents are in the decision making of their child's education. Mrs. Iden has posted it on the website and I have sent information home with the students.
8. Preschool will be set up at the Kindergarten Registration Kick Off. Preschool parents have been informed they may come up to the school to see the classroom and meet the teacher.
9. Children Inc. will also be in attendance to meet families and answer any questions regarding their after school program.
10. Preschool staff, CI staff, administrators and FRYSC met with the CI administrators to discuss changes that need to occur in the CI program in order to make it a viable option for our families. After the first year, instead of a half day program from 11 – 6, the preschool wrap around program needs to begin at 7:00 and run until 6:00. It was determined that they will need 8 students in order to sustain the program. If by the end of the first semester we have not had a minimum of 8 students, the program will be canceled. We will have ample time for families to make other arrangements. We are all committed to making it work!!
11. Will be working with Mr. Frankie to provide Accommodation Training to the staff at their next PLC. I will also provide a list of each student and their accommodations as listed on their IEP.