

## March 2023 Board of Education Meeting Special Education and Preschool Report



1. The Preschool Count for March 1 was reported as 12. We currently serve 22 students. We have 8 Universal-4 students thanks to the Southgate Board of Education!
2. The last day for Preschool will be Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Graduation will be held on Friday, May 12, at 6:00 in the auditorium. Board members are welcome!
3. Preschool and Kindergarten Open House and Early Registration will be held on Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30. Flyers are printed and ready to be sent out in the community. Parents will be able to RSVP online this year so that we may get a more accurate count!
4. I have reviewed our numbers for the upcoming school year. Southgate will need 3 special education teachers to service 22 students that have been identified as having special needs. There are 22 students with speech IEPs.

**MSD unit** – 1 teacher and 2.5 paraeducators to service 7 students

**LBD unit** for grades K-4 – 1 teacher and 1 paraeducator to service 11 students

**LBD unit** for grades 5-8 – 1 teacher to service 4 students

5. ATM meetings are going well. Southgate has 3 students currently in referral that will be placed before the end of the school year.
6. Ready 4 Kindergarten was a big success this past week. Unfortunately, we had to reschedule the date due to the stormy weather that was predicted. We had 13 families registered. When we met on the rescheduled date, we had 7 families that participated in the evening program. The last program is April 20<sup>th</sup>. Lisa Hilf and the Courtney Scott received several positive comments of appreciation. We're hoping we have started something good that will continue!!
7. The Last Little Cub School will be held on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Student will receive a certificate and a book to commemorate the occasion.