July 2023 Board Report

Office of Special Student Populations

Special Education

New documents have been released from the state department and training is being scheduled for all Case Managers.

All end of the year reports have been submitted.

Early Childhood Services

Tigers CUBS monthly book program currently sends 100 books a month home to infants and toddlers in our district and has continued through the summer months.

Screenings are from August 16, 17 and 18 for enrollment. 2 home visits per year are required by regulation, the first round will be completed by September 30th.

Preschool staff are attending training on July 20th on the new Early Childhood Standards. Once training has completed, curriculum and lesson planning alignment will be planned.

Trauma Informed Care/Mental Health

Mental Health Specialists have adjusted caseloads and are working to craft plans for group sessions.

In addition to in school access services, Bellevue Independent Schools has launched and will continue its partnership with Care Solace so that every student and family member can access mental health services with ease.

Grants

KyCL grant is going strong with teacher training, district literacy team meetings, etc. Scholastic will remain our partner for the 2023-2024 school year for K-12. In addition, teachers are being presented with the opportunity to participate in the LETRS training. Present by Lexia Learning, the continuum of ECLETRS and LETRS in a professional learning course for instructors of reading, spelling and associated language skills. This training provides knowledge and skills in the area of literacy that can be used with any reading program.

GEERS grants are supporting the salary of the Mental Health Specialists in each building as well as family engagement opportunities. Skool Aid continues with after school activities for students and families. Skool Aid will also be supporting summer learning opportunities. These funds must be spent by September 30, 2023

Preschool Partnership Grant supports a full day preschool option with a focus on the social and emotional health of our youngest Tigers. Aunt Kathy’s is open at GES Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

MAF grant awarded to the district is supporting the work of a GES math coach. The grant requires the coach to be enrolled in courses through the University of Louisville to become an expert in math content and coaching and modeling for teachers on best practices for math instruction. These funds are also supporting classroom manipulative kits and professional literature.

The Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF). The focus of the proposal is to hire personnel and purchase curriculum that will target the prevention of the onset of alcohol, vaping and cannabis use. This grant was awarded on September 22, 2022 and will generate $375,000 per year for the next five years. A Prevention Specialist has been hired whose first day is May 22.

The Equipment Assistance grants were submitted to KDE. Each grant written was awarded which will provide for additional equipment at the high school.

The JustGrants submission for school safety equipment has been submitted. Notice of Award is scheduled for October 2023.

The Full Service Community Schools Grant is being drafted for a multi-district effort which will provide $15,000,000 over the next five years to create a true community school approach to learning. Bellevue, Daytona and Southgate are partnering in this effort and Bellevue Independent Schools will be the fiscal agent.