September 2024 Board Report

Office of Special Student Populations

Special Education

All special education staff have been assigned caseloads for the school year and are actively following student schedules.

ERDs with staff to refine practices and continue clarification on compliance indicators to ensure we are doing everything we can for our students benefit.

Exit Data report is in process with a due date in October.

Early Childhood Services

Preschool enrollment is currently at 55 students. Preschool is fully staffed.

Tigers CUBS monthly book program currently sends 65 books a month home to infants and toddlers in our district. A large order of books to replenish stock has been submitted and delivered to continue these mailings.

A mailer is being developed to send to every structure in the district to encourage parents to sign their infant and toddlers up for this service and for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

Hear our ROAR for weekly book distribution will continue this school year with all preschool students taking home one book each week to build their home libraries. A large order of books to replenish stock has been submitted and delivered to continue these mailings.

The new rating system is underway in the state to assess preschool quality. I have been to reliability training and have scheduled several meetings with preschool staff to train them on the new expectations.

Title

Title GMAP was submitted on time and is currently awaiting approval from KDE. The next steps are to obtain the consultation packets from each private school and also work on the waiver we need to submit by 9/30 for funds from last school year.

Grants

Arts In Mind grant through NKCES consists of: $16,700 for materials, $6,785 for salary and fringe for the professional learning team, and $8,500 for events. Ashton Pitzer is heading up this work at GES.

The Andrew Lloyd Webber grant is currently available. The award is for up to $50,000 for improvements that may include new lighting, sound and curtains for the stage at Bellevue High School. The grant is due in October and Tiffany has sent requests for quotes to some vendors that will allow us to begin drafting the proposal.