

1. We will have 2 new special education teachers for the 2025-2026 school year. Mrs. Malia Melville will be the elementary LBD teacher. Mrs. Christina LaCalameto will be the middle school LBD teacher.

The special education teacher shall provide learning experiences designed to meet the unique needs of handicapped children as outlined on each student's IEP. The special education teacher shall be responsible for planning, implementing, and monitoring an instructional program designed to meet the individual educational/behavior needs of handicapped students.

## Roles and responsibilities of Special Education Teachers:

- Provide instructional activities appropriate to meet each child's IEP goals and specific objectives.
- Collect data on an on-going basis for monitoring student progress in meeting IEP short-term objectives.
- Provide a stimulating and conductive learning environment.
- Design and plan a successful learning experience for each child, considering each student's preferred learning modality and unique motivational needs.
- Design and organize materials needed to meet each student's success level.
- Design and implement successful classroom behavior management techniques and programs as needed.
- Implement/monitor individual behavior management techniques and programs as needed.
- Schedule students into regular classes as outlined in their IEP.
- Consult formally and informally with classroom teachers on a routine basis to monitor student performance and behavior in their regular classes.
- Serve as a consultant to regular teachers in developing intervention strategies prior to or during the referral/evaluation process.
- Assist in identifying special education students through classroom behavior observations and through conducting formal and informal assessments in suspected areas of academic weakness
- Assist in arranging annual review meetings within one year of the previous ARC meeting and coordinate a mutually agreeable time with other ARC members.
- Participate in ARC meetings and assist the committee in the development of the IEP and placement decisions.

2. I am currently working on the IDEA budget for 2025-2026 school year. Our funding decreased by -\$7561.

I am working on the end of the year reports, Indicator 11, Indicator 12 and Safe Schools



3. The Me and My School Program begins next Monday, June 9, 2025! Little Lions Camp begins July 14, 2025. Ms. Adamson and Mrs. Scott have both been working hard to plan for a summer full of fun and learning!



4. I have begun working with the companies and service providers we partner with on new contracts for the 2025-2026 school year to provide services to our special education students. Once the proposed contracts have been received, I will present them to the board to ask for approval.







5. I appreciate your continued support as the Director of Special Education and Preschool! I have enjoyed the past 2 years and look forward to many more. I feel blessed to have a supportive Board of Education helping me help our students!





