

December 2025 Board Report
Office of Special Student Populations

Special Education

The first extended ERD was held on November 19th. The special education department reviewed resources, compliance notes, new guidance, referral requirements, KSA and Brigrance data review, and worked on December 1 count verification of students.

December 1 Count submission deadline has been extended. Bellevue has already submitted required information to KDE.

Council for Exception Children Conference was in Louisville on November 23rd – 25th. Seven staff members were able to attend. All three new hires attended the New Teacher Academy on Sunday.

A new facility for transition activities has been opened in Florence for districts to utilize during the school day. A tour for our middle and high school teachers was held on December 10th so teachers can plan for trips. <https://nkyperspectives.org/>

Early Childhood Services

Current preschool enrollment is 48 students. Preschool screenings were held on December 5th. 6 screenings were scheduled and 5 attended.

NKCES has begun a Preschool Coordinator PLN. The early learning leaders of the region are creating a vision and messaging around the importance of preschool and exploring parent and community involvement events. The second meeting was held on 11/14 where we will be including discussions around the work of our local Collaborative (formerly the CECCs).

Tigers CUBS monthly book program currently sends 95 books a month home to infants and toddlers in our district which include fun tips and tricks about reading with your young child.

Hear our ROAR weekly book distribution will continue this school year with all preschool students taking home one book each week to build their home libraries.

Title

Title budgets have been submitted in GMAP and approved by KDE. Meetings with principals are underway to determine priority purchases and activities, including family engagement requirements.

Grants

Greater Cincinnati Foundation proposal has been submitted for funding of a variety of programming for students and teachers including: funding an afterschool tutoring program at BHS, funding college and career trips for students at BHS, STEAM field trips for GES, training and extra pay for preschool staff for evening parent engagement events as well as summer training needs. If awarded, funds will be available at the turn of the year to begin utilizing. Award announcements have not yet happened.