

# Special Programs Board Report



December 2012

**SpEd** Caseload: 123 k-12

**ELL:** We have completed the review for the desk audit for Title III. There were no official findings. We had four recommendations to clear in the following areas:

1. Our notification letter to ELL parents must include the state average graduation rate for ELL students. Currently, our letter only includes Sheridan School Districts' rate. This will be added to 2012-2013 letters.
2. ODE has asked that we remove parental consent for incoming ELL students. We began this process with ODE recommendations in 2009, so we are seeking further clarification before we proceed.
3. Our Home Language Survey Form needs to include the year the student moved to the country, if born outside of the U.S. Adjustments have been made for the form to include this information for 2012-2013.
4. Monitoring students are students who have exited ELL services, but they remain in monitoring status for two additional years. ODE recommends we have a form that tracks their progress through general education. We are working on developing that form currently.

We notified district Superintendents that due to our very small number of ELL students we would not remain the consortium lead for the 2013-2014 school year and beyond. A member district will need to assume the fiscal responsibility.