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To: Board of Education

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Re: May Board Report

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Special Education:

- Spring testing is almost finished! We just need to finish the MI ACCESS assessment and get it shipped but we are definitely closing in on the end!
- Summer learning is all set with over 70 students with IEP's from preschool through high school participating in some learning over the summer. A huge thank you to the staff who commit their time to this added learning opportunity for students.
- We are in the throes of the hiring season! We have 3 open special education teaching positions at South Meadows as well a school psychologist position that is shared between Beach and South. I am also assisting with the hiring of the interventionist positions at North Creek and CHS. We have had strong candidates apply which makes it challenging to hone in on the best hire which is a great problem to have!
- This is also the busy season for IEP and transitional meetings as we wind down the school year and look to next year. I am also meeting and talking with families looking to relocate or who have applied for schools of choice with our district.
- Our Special Olympic athletes are gearing up for the state summer games which annually are hosted by Central Michigan University. This year the dates are May 28-30. Our own Katy Fillion is the Co-Director of Area 20 which is the [Washtenaw Southeast area](#). Go Bulldogs!

Respectfully,

Lisa Nickel, Director of Special Education