

## **Special Services Board Report**

**12/06/22**

### **Board Meeting**

- The SPED Department continues to work on covering all open positions. We will be interviewing for two TAs this week, which means we almost have all the positions filled. We still need two TAs, Two PCAs, and one teacher, but we're getting there.
- The three School Psychologists are working hard to assess all students who need assessments completed. They're hoping to be caught up by the end of the 2022/23 school year. Tracie Coursey is assisting the virtual School Psychologists in the assessment process.
- Kylie Rutherford, our new SPED Nurse, screened students from BES and Napi, as a part of the referral process.
- The OTs and PT who were hired through Rock Creek Therapy, have been working with Chyanna Johnson

to assess SPED students with possible OT and/or PT needs.

- After the Holidays, the SPED department will be offering several trainings; On Jan 18<sup>th</sup> OPI will be conducting a training on transition IEPs for Middle School and High School SPED teachers needing more training in this area. Charity Symonds, from the Aware Program will also be conducting a training for PCAs and TAs to help them be more productive, effective and organized in the classroom and with their students.
- Colleen Nolan has been working for many hours to help train the four new iTudor teachers Hire for the BPS SPED Program.