

Special Education Staff in District

May 2018

Teachers- 20

Paraprofessionals- 32

Related Service Staff: **Speech** 1- Full time Speech Language Pathologist

1- Contracted Full time Speech Language Pathologist (contracted- 5 days a week),

2 -Full time Speech Language Pathologist Assistants

Educational Diagnostician: 4- Full time staff **OT/PT:** 1- Full time – OT, PT- 3 days a week (contracted)

Licensed Specialist of School Psychology- 1- Full time **Special Education Counselor-** (112 days a year)

Vision/AT Therapist- 1- Full time **Audio Impairment Specialist –** 1- Full time **Interpreter for the Deaf-** 1- Full time

Brownwood Student Count: Student Population Count - **3663** (as of 4/16/2018)

Special Ed Count: **343** Percentage: **9.48%**

(358 served during the year- 15 dismissed or withdrew)

- **BHS-** 69 students
- **BMS-** 62 students
- **COGGIN-** 87 students
- **EAST-** 32 students
- **NORTHWEST-** 61 students
- **WOODLAND-** 55 students

Breakdown of Services (count of 358 students)

Disability Code (primary codes) District Wide broken down by category:

01 Orthopedic Impairment-4

08 Learning Disabilities-95

02 Other Health Impairment-56

09 Speech Impairment- 76

03 Audio Impairment-5

10 Autism-42

04 Visual Impairment-7

13 Traumatic Brain Injury-1

05 Deaf-Blind-0

14 Noncategorical Early Childhood-10

06 Intellectual Disability-38

07 Emotional Disturbance-24

In order of highest student representation to lowest: Learning Disabilities- 95, Speech Impairment -76, Other Health Impairment- 56, Autism- 42, Intellectual Disability- 38, Emotional Disturbance-24, Noncategorical Early Childhood- 10, Visual Impairment-7, Audio Impairment-5, Orthopedic Impairment- 4 Traumatic Brain Injury-1

Speech Only Students (district wide)- 82

Speech with other Services (district wide)- 83

Goal for Special Education department: To provide a range of services to foster the academic, social and functional growth of “differently-able” students in an environment that meets their identified needs.

Highlights 2017

- Updated Special Education section on Brownwood ISD website
- Operating Guidelines updated and on district website
- Useful links on Parent & Staff resources section under the Special Education section
- Student team participation in Special Olympics Regional Contest- Abilene
- Relationship with Center for Life assisting students and families access outside resources
- Unique Learning System curriculum for all Like Skills programs (low incident population)
- Involvement in RtI activities (academic and behavior) to increase campus intensive instruction

Future Target Activities

- Summer Blast 2017 professional development (2 days) with special services theme
- Movement to Boardmaker Online to increase access to augmentative communication for students
- Life Center curriculum with HS students in the area of transition education
- Staff development training in researched based program- Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports
- Special Education support staff members trained in Assistive Technology evaluations and Crisis Prevention to support campuses