

# Special Education Board Report

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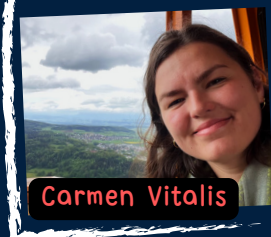
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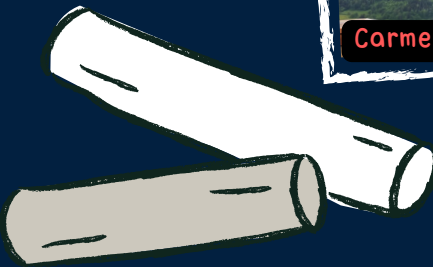
Garth Olson



Kelly Opiola-Johnson



Carmen Vitalis



### Welcome New Staff Members!

Unity School District is excited to welcome new staff members to the Special Education Team.

- Sydni Sondrol, Middle School Special Education Teacher
- Garth Olson, High School Special Education Teacher
- Kelley Opiola-Johnson, Speech and Language Pathologist
- Carmen Vitalis, U of M Student/ Learning Facilitator for Speech and Language (January to May)



### Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training

Several Unity educators will attend training in Fall 2023 at CESA 11 to certify or recertify in Non-Violent Crisis Intervention (NVC) techniques. NVC is a comprehensive training designed to proactively, effectively, and safely address challenging behaviors. The training emphasizes all aspects of crisis development, including prevention, intervention, and planning for future success while addressing the requirements of Wisconsin ACT 125 & ACT 118.

Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or in the same way." -

George Evans