

## **Frequently Asked Questions Summer Targeted Services Remedial Program** (updated Feb. 7, 2019)

### **What is Targeted Services (TS)?**

Targeted Services provides funding for at-risk students outside of the normal school day. Various schools make use of the funding in different ways. For example, Parkside has offered a before school Eagles Club for students in areas of reading and math. Targeted Services monies are also used to support the summer TS kindergarten, remedial math and remedial reading classes through the district's Community Education department.

### **Who teaches the TS classes?**

Teachers are licensed teachers from BHM school district.

### **What students are eligible to attend TS?**

Current K-5 students that need summer reading and/or math intervention. Students referred should be below the 25th percentile in 2 or more areas for the subject(s) they are being referred. If a student currently receives special education services, the classroom teacher and special education case manager will need to review the student's needs and determine appropriate options for services.

### **How are parents informed?**

After teacher referrals are complete, information letters are sent home to parents from the elementary school principals via U.S. mail. Parents must then register through Community Education for the TS kindergarten, remedial math and/or remedial reading classes they were referred for.

### **Why are we using a google form?**

It will help with the referral process. It ensures students needing summer interventions will be invited to attend. It allows for flexibility in the referral process and gathering information from teachers. It helps with sorting the students and getting the correct information to the necessary staff.

### **What's the ratio in a remedial class?**

Approximately 1:12 ratio.

### **SPED and Targeted Services**

Students who are served through an IEP are considered eligible for ESY (extended school year) services if they meet the criteria set by state and federal law. Eligibility for ESY is based on the student's individual goals and objectives. The majority of students who are eligible for special education services through an IEP do not qualify for ESY services. However, these students are often performing below their peers in reading and math and they would potentially qualify for targeted services programs. **SPED does not provide paraprofessional or support services for Targeted Services summer classes.**

### **Kindergarten and Targeted Services**

In the Kindergarten summer program, students remain with the same teacher throughout the morning. Students work on math, reading and social skills. Classes are taught by licensed district staff.

### **What curriculum or instructional practices are used for TS Math and Reading?**

The TS math and reading teachers are provided with a base curriculum program to use. Teachers have the flexibility to adapt the instruction to fit the needs of the students they have in class. Students can also be moved within the TS math and reading sections to ensure proper placement for them.