

Special Services Department Report

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SPED Department Staffing Update:

The Special Education Department Staff has continued to work alongside the Human Resources Department to fill all Special Education positions across the district. Below is an update on SPED staff at this time in February. Those in **GREEN** are filled for the 23-24 SY.

Special Education Staff (PK-12)	Filled:	Need to Fill:
Special Education Teachers	14	0
Special Education TAs	13	0
Personal Care Attendants (PCAs)	17	4
Speech Pathologist	5	0
Speech Therapy Assistants	4	0
Occupation Therapist	1	0
Physical Therapist	1	0
PT/OT Therapy Assistant	1	0
Adaptive PE Teacher	1	0
Behavior Specialist	1	0
School Psychologist(s)	4	0
Confidential Secretary	1	0
Department Administrative Assistant	1	0

Department Work This Past Month:

- Met weekly with school psychologists to check-in with our prioritized list of student evaluations. *32 special education evaluations have been completed at this time up from 24 in January.*

- Special Services Department & Bullshoe Elementary staff attended a collaboration meeting at BECC to coordinate transition and special education services for Head Start students during the month of February.
- Held SPED Principal's Training on Wednesday, February 28th to review best practices in discipline for IDEA eligible students. The training was provided to BPS leadership by MTSBA.
- Director attended the MT OPI State Special Education Director Meeting on February 14th.

Upcoming Department Events:

BPS/BECC Collaboration Meeting

March 20, 2024

ChildFind-Community Based

June 24-26, 2024

BPS Special Services Extended School Year

July 8-25, 2024