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## February Board Report

### **Professional Development:**

On February 13th, the district paraprofessionals had a trauma training at WHS. This training was presented by Sarah Brennfleck, a social worker from Perandoe. While the paraprofessionals were busy at WHS, district special education teachers spent their day at SWIC in Red Bud participating in a professional development, "Creating Data-Driven Goals and Tools for Successful Progress Monitoring". This was presented by the Illinois SLD support project.

### **Interventions:**

ReadLive was introduced to WHS and JH special education teachers. Lyndi Davis trained the group on how to provide the intervention, using best practices. ReadLive is a structured, research-based reading intervention program designed to improve fluency, comprehension, vocabulary for struggling readers.

### **ACT:**

ACT accommodations have been applied for juniors with accommodations listed on their IEP or 504 plans. While IEP and 504 teams create assessment accommodations during their meetings, ACT requires an application process for every student. Ultimately, ACT approves or denies those accommodations for each student.