

SPECIAL EDUCATION

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**To:** Board of Education

From: Lisa Nickel

**Re:** October Board Report

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## Special Education:

- Our newly hired social worker for CHS, Halle Sullins, started on Monday, September 22nd. Welcome Halle!
- Marie Larson and I have been busy planning our second annual Wellness Expo
  which will be held on Saturday, October 25th at WSEC from 10-12. We have even
  more community partners than last year and look forward to hosting this event!
  This is open to families as well as the community. There will be activities, snacks
  as well as many representatives from our community featuring a wide range of
  offerings that support personal and family wellness.
- I was able to share information regarding the upcoming <u>CTE millage proposal</u> that will be on the November ballot at the Senior Center Open House on September 10th as well as with Kiwanis on September 15th.
- Once again, the Chelsea Kiwanis Club very generously made a donation of \$2,000 to be used for families who can not access Early Childhood programs due to a financial need. Pierce LakeEarly Childhood Center thanks them for their generous gift!
- Family Champions Group update: Social Saturdays are back! Join us from 11:00-1:00pm on: September 13, October 25, November 22, December 13 300 Building (Early Childhood) Rm. 312 (enter and turn left).

Workshop - Transition Student and Parent/Guardian - Washtenaw Association for Community Advocacy September 30, 2025, 5:30-6:30pm in person at WISD 1819 S. Wagner Rd, Ann Arbor Topics covered - \*Medicaid Information \*Social Security Benefits

Webinar- Legal Decision Making Options - <u>Washtenaw Association for Community Advocacy</u> - This webinar will provide information about supported decision-making, guardianship, and less restrictive alternatives. Register at: <a href="https://bit.ly/46wsZnu">https://bit.ly/46wsZnu</a>

Respectfully,

Lisa Nickel, Director of Special Education Chelsea School District