

THE LAKE AND PENINSULA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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To: Board of Education

Lake and Peninsula School District

From: Marjorie Waggoner

Special Education Director (Contractor)

Re: Special Education Report

Special Education Enrollment:

On the October 1, 2020 count date LPSD had 62 students receiving special education services across the district. This is one less student than we had starting the 19/20 school year.

The disability categories and the number of students in each category are as follows:

Cognitive Impairment 4

Hearing Impaired 0

Speech or Language Impairment 18

Visual Impairment 0

Emotional Disturbance 1

Orthopedic Impairment 0

Other Health Impairment 9

Specific Learning Disability 23

Deaf-Blindness 0

Multiple Disabilities 1

Autism 1

Traumatic Brain Injury 0

Early Childhood Developmental Delay 5



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LPSD claimed five students as receiving intensive services on the October 23, 2020 intensive count date. This is one student less that we claimed last year. All five of the students have been previously verified by the state.

Special Education Professional Development

The special education teachers participated in virtual professional development Zoom session on October 15 and 16 as part of the fall inservice. Newer teachers were trained in the administration of the WIAT III Achievement Test. We also had a special education law update and a share out session to show off our teachers' innovative ideas in teaching our special education students. It was good to connect with all our sped staff and share with each other. The sped teachers also participated in sessions provided by the District.

The Alaska State Special Education Conference will be held February 6 and 7, 2021. The theme is "A Journey to Inclusion". As a sign of the times, this year it will be a virtual conference on weekend days. The agenda is packed with sessions by nationally recognized professionals in special education and related fields. We are hoping that our teachers will be interested and able to attend.

I want to thank the Board for presenting me with the Shining Star Award. It really touched my heart. I also appreciate the kind words of Matthew Stark.