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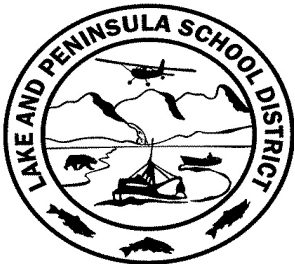
From: Marjorie Waggoner
Special Education Director (Contractor)
Re: Special Education Report

Special Education Professional Development

Some of our special education teachers will be attending the Alaska State Special Education Conference on February 5, 6, and 7. The theme this year is “Choose Your Own Adventure: Your Voice Makes a Difference”. National and state experts in special education and related fields will be sharing their knowledge and experiences. It is also a wonderful opportunity for our teachers to network with special educators from across the state. This investment by the district in our special education teachers is worthwhile and appreciated!

Paulene Manning and Kacy Lou Leyba, LPSD Crisis Prevention Institute trainers, have been working during this school year to provide training for the special education teachers and other vital staff members in verbal intervention (including de-escalation) and non-violent crisis intervention (including safe physical interventions). Our goal is for each school to have staff trained in these techniques to provide for the safety of staff and students.

I will be attending the Special Education Directors’ Training sponsored by DEED in March. We will be participating in sessions dealing with special education law and sessions to sharpen the skills that are required to be a special education director. I look forward to spending time with fellow directors and our wonderful Alaska DEED special education leadership team.



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Indicators 8 and 14

It's that time of year and I am working on compiling data for Indicators 8 (Parent Involvement) and 14 (Post School - Outcomes). This data is provided to the state yearly to enable the department to conduct surveys that determine the post-school outcomes of special education students, and measure parent involvement with special education students. The Post-School Outcomes Survey is for all students who left school in 2022-2023. The Parent Involvement Survey is sent to all parents or guardians who currently have a student (Pre-kindergarten through 12th grade) on an IEP. This data is due to the State on February 27th.

I enjoy my work with LPSD. The district has a fine leadership team and dedicated teachers.