

## Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative Executive Advisory Board

FROM: Marianne Fidishin, PhD, Executive Director

DATE: September 6, 2017

RE: Illinois Youth Center Status, Fall, 2017

During the 2015-2016 school year, Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative (MVSEC) entered an agreement with the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), Special Education Services Division to provide services to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (IDJJ). The agreement specified the service provision to include a) technical assistance, b) IEP completion assistance, c) professional development, and d) instructional support for the staff of District 428 staff at the Illinois Youth Center, St. Charles, Illinois. In order to implement the services, ISBE awarded a grant of \$186,500. Services for the District 428 ended by May 31, 2017. To date, \$86,375.25 of the total grant amount has been expended, specifically to address the salary and benefits of MVSEC staff as well as instructional supplies and staff recruitment. Of the total grant award, \$100,124.75 remains.

With the opening of the new school year, ISBE has decided to not enter an agreement with MVSEC for the 2017-2018 school year. This does not preclude MVSEC from entering an agreement directly with IDJJ should IDJJ wish to purchase services from MVSEC. At this point in time, no agreement between IDJJ and MVSEC has been discussed.

Attached you will find the final expenditure report outlining the 2016-2017 grant fund balance.