

School District of Bayfield Board Report

Sandra J. Raspotnik
Director of Special Education/Pupil Services
February 6, 2013

Currently we have 111 students in the Special Education program. There are nine (9) students on a 504 plan and we have one student on an At-Risk plan. To date we have had 17 new referrals. Eight (8) of the students qualified for services and one (1) was not found eligible. The remainder of the referrals are still in process.

I will attach a letter from DPI, showing the result of the validation process completed on our self-assessment. As a part of the self-assessment, surveys are being sent to a random sample of parents who have children with special needs. We are required to have a minimum of 20% of the parents selected return the survey. I have explained that process to parents at each IEP meeting. I am hoping that we will have a quick turn over from parents. We are just receiving those surveys and we need to wait at least another week before we are able to send them out.

The transition of our special education personnel is going fairly smoothly. Some parents were concerned with the changes, but in a short time many of them have been able to recognize the positive aspect of the changes.

Some of our staff has received training in how to write goals that correspond with the Common Core State Standards. The changes will take some time to accomplish, but we will be working toward that goal for all of the students. We are making slow, but steady progress toward the use of RtI as a means to qualify students in the learning disability program.

January 8, 2012

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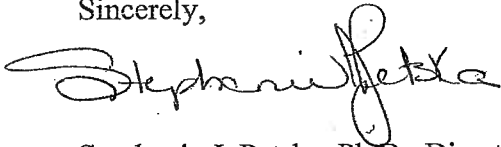
RE: Special Education Procedural Compliance Self-Assessment
Validation Report

Dear Dr. Aslyn:

On December 19, 2012, Department of Public Instruction (DPI) staff conducted onsite activities to validate your public agency's *Special Education Procedural Compliance Self-Assessment* submitted this school year. Attached to this letter are several enclosures, including four *Procedural Compliance Self-Assessment* validation forms with the results of the department's validation activities. The validation results and any actions required were discussed with Ms. Raspotnik at the time of the validation. The self-assessment process conducted by Bayfield School District staff was entirely accurate.

We hope your staff has found the validation process informative and useful in ensuring correct implementation of special education requirements. We would also like to thank Ms. Raspotnik in particular for her assistance during the validation visit, and her thoroughness in completing the self-assessment. If you have any questions about this letter or the process of *Self-Assessment* validation, you may contact Patricia Williams, School Administration Consultant, at 608-267-3720 or patricia.williams@dpi.wi.gov.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

c: Sandra Raspotnik, Director of Pupil Services, Bayfield School District