



Agenda Item Details

Meeting	Jan 22, 2024 - Regular School Board Meeting - Revised
Category	3. Administrative Reports
Subject	3.6 Special Education/Pupil Services
Type	Information, Reports

School District of Bayfield Board Report **Stephanie Lewis, Director of Special Education/Pupil Services January 17, 2024**

School Counselors *Strategic Priority - Student & Staff Health and Wellbeing, Student Success*

The school counseling team, including Karla Vinci, Amy Day, and Brian Boyd, joined by Colleen Beagan, have worked on the following topics over the last month:

- Xello - use for K-12 portfolios - Colleen
 - First step to implement ACP plan is to meet with Shellie to go over expectations and need for an ACP committee.
 - Steph will set up
- Character Education - Career Readiness and Character Education - ACP committee separate. Need to gather resources and wait until February to see if we receive a grant to support funding.
- Civics Exam - Karla will email Shellie and Stacey to find out the schedule for testing and what juniors still need to take the test and pass.
- MS/HS Scheduling - Karla will be working with HS students to get course selections done. Amy will talk to Shellie to get the MS scheduling forms.
- b.e.s.t. results with MS - Karla and Amy will meet with MS teachers during their PLC 5th hour to review screener results and potential intervention needs.

School-Based Mental Health Professionals Project *Strategic Priority - Student & Staff Health and Wellbeing, Student Success*

- Continued support of Amy Day and Brian Boyd as they pursue their School Counseling licenses. August Gordon is finishing her School Social work license. Amy Schmidt is finishing her School Psychology license. The grant covers the tuition for all of these individuals with the intent that they continue with our district in supporting students.

Human Resources - *Strategic Priority - District Excellence*

- Interviews were held January 16, 2024, resulting in one recommendation for hire of an elementary special education paraprofessional to fill a December vacancy. For the first time this year, the special education department will be fully staffed.

Wellness Committee - *Strategic Priority - Student and Staff Health and Wellbeing*

January 16, 2024

Present: August Gordon, Holly Weber, Colleen Beagan, Stephanie Lewis, Karla Vinci, Amy Day

- Recap January 9th prevention meeting - Holly/Steph/Amy
 - The Gilbert J. Botvin Lifeskills program is the program the county is looking to support and implement for districts wanting to participate. Holly is continuing to meet with districts in the county to determine need, preference, and support. Opioid money through the county for 10 years.
 - Money to be used for staff training, time, materials.
 - CESA 12 trainer will support our district through the counselors to implement the program - Amy grades 3-6, Karla 7 & 8, 9th grade through School Connect, and 10th through health class.
 - Possibility of having school counselors trained to co-teach with the CESA trainer.
 - County focus switched from suicide prevention to social connectedness.
- [USDA Farm to School Grant](#) - Kat (due January 12) - Steph and Kat went over the rough draft of Kat's application. Application submitted January 12. We should know by the end of February if we received the USDA grant as well as the Stronger Connections grant.
- Scheduling - Steph mentioned some of the suggestions at the BEA meeting in hopes that teachers might compile scheduling/calendar suggestions. Liz Bodin is also on the calendar committee, but we will share suggestions with others on the calendar committee as well.
 - Suggestions for a daily calendar to give teachers more professional time. Collab with the calendar committee.
 - Specialized "labs"/IEs where students go if they are getting a C or lower. Students, teachers, or specialized tutors assist in lieu of study hall. Intent is to focus on positive study habits and support for academic areas of deficit.

- BEA/calendar committee suggestions?
- Kevin Hines - will be speaking in Ashland in April 2024. Bayfield is invited.
- Bayfield law enforcement in school on Fridays. Be sure this individual has appropriate background with community outreach. Red Cliff law enforcement? Be intentional about rolling information out with families before there is police presence.
- Circle of Courage - NEXT MEETING'S FOCUS! - [Materials](#)
 - Holly - community service focus - start with a general list of community service options and appropriate ages.
 - Possibly use Stronger Connections grant money to fund a PT volunteer/community service coordinator.

Special Education - Strategic Priority - Student Success & District Excellence

- The special education department is finalizing corrective action steps/meetings as a result of the RDA:PCSA. The goal of the self-assessment is to ensure compliance with selected legal requirements and improve outcomes for students with disabilities. Stephanie will finalize all corrective documents and letters before they are mailed home and the CESA 12 representatives comes to review. Further review to ensure continued compliance will happen again in the spring and in the fall of 2024.
- The special education case managers met January 11, 2024:
 - Inservice - Monday: FastBridge Training 10-11 - Getting Started - 1 hour only. Stephanie and Colleen will attend the rest of the day and the training will be recorded for case managers to watch at a later date. The intent is to implement FastBridge interventions during the second semester. Case managers will use Monday's in-service time for SLOs/IEPs etc.
 - Paras - required to be at in-services - help in areas needed. All morning and afternoon duties still need to be covered (in the event that MS/HS students still have school.) Elementary paras also need to be prepared to sub for colleagues at the MS/HS level on elementary only in-service days. Priority will be for paras to check in with their team teacher for duties/tasks to be completed. If paras have time to support others, they can review the compiled google list. If the list has been exhausted, individual PD can be completed (book studied, Master Teacher PD, etc.) Please continue to document individual PD on your google sheets.
 - RE-3 Waiver - documentation change
 - Assessment update - last two meetings will be scheduled by Kelly.
 - IEP progress reports- Turn in a stapled copy to Lucy/Linda. Copy to Kelly - no staples, 1-sided- alphabetically by last name. Put in your colorful folder on the snack bar in her office.
 - Draft - February 16 in-service
- **As of 1/17/24, 94 IEP/evaluation meetings have been held since the start of the school year. Fifteen initial special education referrals have been received. The district currently has 131 students with IEPs.**

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