



Agenda Item Details

Meeting	Sep 15, 2025 - Regular School Board Meeting
Category	3. Administrative Reports
Subject	3.6 Director of Special Education & Student Services Report
Type	Reports

9/15/2025

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Director of Special Education & Student Services

Community Collaborations & Partnerships

Laugh & Learn Community Event with Mitch Factor was a success! Many families and students attended and multiple raffle prizes were awarded. The next District/Community Event will focus on Circles of Courage and led by Beth Dahl (PBIS Coordinator) and the Student Services Team.

The “community connection” team (Gwen Topping, August Gordon, and Jared Blanche) continue to engage and attend community events and meetings. Entities the team is collaborating with include Red Cliff Behavioral Health, Clinical Services, and long term support. Gwen, August, and Jared have also started the process of focusing efforts based on families with an end goal of having one member assigned to each family for consistency and relationship building.

District Excellence

The 2025/2026 Kick Off Week ([schedule linked here](#)) was a hit! Staff survey feedback included themes of appreciation for work time, structure of the sessions, and the food provided. Suggested areas of improvement included more time in classrooms, enhanced school safety specific training, and increased participation from families/community. The survey feedback will be referenced when planning the 26/27 Kick Off Week.

Efficient Use of Resources

The Goal Book Toolkit is now available for Case Managers to support in IEP goal writing and development. Case Managers participated in an initial training and ongoing professional development and case by case support is provided through the service. More information about the Goal Book Toolkit [HERE](#).

Student Success

New to the 25/26 School Year, all district staff are required to complete a 40 minute Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) Training that focuses on verbal de-escalation and proactive support for students. In previous years, only the Student Services Team was required to enroll in CPI training. Members of the SST will continue to be certified in the full CPI framework. More information about the newly implemented De-Escalation Course for all staff can be found [HERE](#).

The Student Services Team (SST) will meet at the elementary, middle, and high school levels respectively during the 25/26 School Year. The “leveled” meetings will be held at minimum twice a month. District staff are able to refer students to the SST using the form linked [HERE](#). Student attendance trends and data will be discussed at each meeting. A parent/caregiver form is in process. The District SST meeting meets once a month to determine K-12 approaches and supports. SST Roster is available [HERE](#).

The Sensory Room Training will be held on Friday September 12th for all elementary and related services staff. Angie Schoeppach (Occupational Therapist) is leading the design and plans for the room. Once all items have been received and set up an opening announcement and schedule will be distributed.

Student Specific Special Education and Student Services Meetings:
As of 9/15/2025

Meeting Type	#
Initial Evaluations	1
Annual IEP	3
Reevaluations	0
Review/Revise	4
Review/Revise without meeting	1
Parent Inquiries	1
Other non-sped meetings	#
504 Meetings	0
Collaborative Conversations	0

Student and Staff Health Health & Wellbeing

The Circle of Courage PBIS Framework implementation has started with Beth Dahl and the PBIS team leading the efforts. The SST/Beth Dahl (PBIS Coordinator) has also implemented the staff “Ishpinanin” Circle of Courage Weekly Drawing. The intent is to engage and recognize staff in the Circle of Courage Framework adopted for the students.

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