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Agenda Item Details

Meeting Oct 27, 2025 - Regular School Board Meeting - Revised

Category 3. Administrative Reports

Subject 3.6 Director of Special Education & Student Services Report

Type Reports

Board Notes 10/21/2025 Lynn Lindahl Director of Special Education & Student Services

Community Collaborations & Partnerships

Red Cliff Programming Meeting. Members of the Student Services Team and Administration attended a Red Cliff Programming Meeting that included representatives from the Red Cliff Library, Boys & Girls Club, LCO University, Health Department, and Education Department. The purpose of the meeting was to explore ways to increase collaboration and create joint events and engagement opportunities. One exciting idea discussed was hosting a Scholastic Book Fair at both the Red Cliff Library and the school library. The conversation sparked great ideas about how we can continue to work together to support our students, families, and community. Agenda/Notes Linked HERE.

Trunk or Treat. The Student Services Team will be hosting a station the Red Cliff Health and Human Services "Trunk or Treat" Event dressed as Inside Out Characters on October 30th @ 3pm-6pm.

Drum and Dance Social. Huge kudos to the Student Services Team Members (Jared, Beth D., Gwen, Tatum, August, and Dusty) for organizing the first of many Friday Drum and Dance Social! It was amazing to see students, staff, and community members come together, connect, and celebrate. <u>Future dates for Drum and Dance Socials Link Here.</u> These events directly align with the Circles of Courage Sense of Belonging.

District Excellence

High-Leverage Special Education Practices. Case Managers and Paraprofessionals are engaging in High Leverage Practices (HLP) Professional Development from the Council for Exceptional Children. This shared training will build common language and strengthen collaboration across roles. Learn more: <u>CEC High Leverage Practices</u>.

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities for Case Managers:

- Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) Workshop Offered by CESA 12 on October 27th & January 26th LINK TO REGISTER
- FBA: The Wisconsin Way Workshop November 4th, with Katherine Smith (Statewide FBA Trainer, DPI) LINK TO REGISTER

Efficient Use of Resources

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Circles of Courage - Staff. The PBIS/Circles of Courage *STAFF* drawings will be conducted on the last Friday of the month. The admin team will collect, draw, and announce staff winners. For your convenience, Staff Ishpinanaan Boxes will be placed in the front office, Shellie's office, and MIke's office. Four names will be selected each month and gift values will be *approximately* \$25

Student Services Team Update. New Student Services Meeting Structure for 25/26 - Beginning this school year, the Student Services Team is rolling out a leveled meeting approach. Separate meetings will be held for Elementary, Middle, and High School staff, along with one general meeting. See the <u>Student Services Staff Roster</u> for representatives. Calendar invites have been sent.

- SST Elementary Every other Thursday @
- SST Middle School 3rd Monday of the month @ 7:50
- SST High School 4th Monday of the month @ 7:50
- SST General (K-12) 3rd Monday of the month @ 2:00

Troller Swag. Troller "Swag" Store will be operated by the Student Service Office. Troller Swag order is finalized and will be placed next week. The anticipated opening date for the Swag Store is November 10th. An order form link will be sent when ready. The end "Swag goal" is to have enough funds to purchase each student a t-shirt for an all school photo at the end of the school year.

Student Success

Restorative Circles. Student Services Members August Gordon and Amy Day facilitated a successful restorative circle conversation with three middle school students and their caregivers. The focus was on generosity and belonging, and the feedback from both students and caregivers was overwhelmingly positive. The Student Services Team will continue to refine and expand this practice moving forward.

Social Emotional Screener. Amy Schmidt, our School Psychologist, is currently reviewing Social Emotional Screeners for potential district-wide adoption to replace the previously used BEST Screener. One tool of interest that Amy is piloting is the SSIS Assessment and Intervention Suite. The SSIS gathers insights about each student from three perspectives — the student, their teacher, and their parent/guardian — providing a comprehensive understanding of social-emotional functioning. The results can be integrated directly into your MTSS/RtI process and software to refine whole-child support protocols. Additional information HERE.

IEP Distribution. Classroom binders containing individual IEPs, an IEP overview, and guidance on what to bring to an IEP meeting have been provided to Elementary Classroom Teachers. Similar binders will be prepared for Middle and High School teachers in the near future. As a reminder, it is the legal responsibility of content/general education teachers to be familiar with the specific IEP language and services for each student. We've seen great progress this past year in expanding student access to the general education classroom and instruction.

Continuum of Services. Case Managers met to discuss the continuum of service options for students receiving Specially Designed Instruction (SDI). Initial conversations highlighted the strength of our onsite services, while also recognizing our limited options on the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) continuum. Beyond onsite special education services, scheduled home visits, and case manager-created curricular resources, our service continuum remains narrow. Discussions will continue as we explore ways to expand service delivery options

Student Specific Special Education and Student Services Meetings:

Meeting Type	#	Students in Attendance
Initial Evaluations	2	
Annual IEP	8	1

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Reevaluations	0	
Review/Revise	4	1
Review/Revise without meeting	1	
Parent Inquiries	2	
Manifestation Determination	1	1
Other non-sped meetings	#	
504 Meetings	2	
Collaborative Conversations	1	2

Student and Staff Health Health & Wellbeing

Unity Day. October 22nd is UNITY DAY. Unity Day celebrates and promotes kindness, acceptance, and inclusion to prevent bullying. It's a national day of action where people wear and share the color orange to send a united message that no one should feel alone and that everyone deserves respect. <u>Unity Day Classroom Resources</u> shared with staff.

Growth and Development. Jackie Noha facilitated a Growth and Development meeting with the Red Cliff Clinic and Bayfield County Nurse. The intent of the meeting was to discuss and plan Growth & Development district initiatives. Ongoing meetings will be scheduled.

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