

Special Education May Report. Mary Donaldson Special Education Director

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A Great Year

All paper work for 150 sped students was completed on time, finalized and entered by May 1. This is a huge accomplishment and a shout out to our teachers and to Becky Miller for making it happen.

All certified staff was offered contracts and will be returning. We will need a few para positions – but it is looking great for next year.

UPDATE ON 2025-2026 GOALS

ONE - Accomplished

Increase parent learning involvement outside of IEP meetings through a minimum of 6 events held throughout the year.

TWO – Accomplished – and even more!

Increase learning opportunities for special education staff and regular education staff through an established calendar of training. Topics based on a needs assessment of current special education staff and relevant to each building.

THREE – Partly met – great beginning – a grant for 2026-2027 was needed to increase implementation. Spencer Foundation Grant was tied to staffing.

Integrate culturally relevant pedagogy through programs and practice to increase graduation rates of our students in special