

Special Education Program Update

Audit Update

School Board Meeting Presentation

July 30, 2020

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Student Services

Agenda for the Presentation

- ❑ Status Update of Audit Areas
 - ❑ Vision - Establishment of SEDAC
 - ❑ Communications
 - ❑ Staffing
 - ❑ Curriculum/Professional Development
 - ❑ Procedures/Compliance
 - ❑ Fiscal

Vision - Establishment of SEDAC

- ❑ SEDAC Mission and Vision Approved May, 12
- ❑ SEDAC Bylaws Approved June 8
- ❑ Four Workgroups Under Formation
 - ❑ Communications- Information and outreach
 - ❑ Parent Education and Training
 - ❑ SEDAC Development - Leadership and growth
 - ❑ Inclusion Practices - Collaboration with District inclusion cohort



Vision - Establishment of SEDAC



Parent Education and Training Workshop

August 4, 2020 Office of Client's Rights Advo

SEDAC Meeting Dates 2020-2021

August 25 , 2020

January 26, 2021

September 29, 2020

February 23, 2021

October 27, 2020

March 30, 2021

December 1, 2020

May 25, 2021



Communications

- ❑ SEDAC member has joined the District's Communications Committee and has attended meetings in June and July
- ❑ Informal meetings with SMETA and CSEA Union leadership
- ❑ Schedule for monthly Sped Leadership Team and job-alike cohort meetings has been established and will be shared with staff when they return in August
- ❑ Updated Department Organizational Chart for 2020-21 being finalized with new staff/responsibilities

Staffing

- ❑ Lead Speech Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist and School Psychologist identified to support efficiencies
- ❑ 2.0FTE Inclusion TOSAs hired for George Hall and Meadow Heights/Laurel
- ❑ 1.0FTE additional Program Specialist hired - 5.0FTE in total
 - ❑ Assignments reviewed and re-distributed to better support schools and programs
- ❑ Second Coordinator hired and responsibilities re-distributed for better administrative and program support

Curriculum/Professional Development

- ❑ Office of Client's Rights and Advocacy providing parent training August 4
- ❑ School Nurse team providing paraeducator training during the upcoming Professional Development days - common medical issues with students
- ❑ Continuing general education/special education staff training on inclusion practices
- ❑ Continuing LA and math professional development



Procedures/Compliance

- ❑ PIR plan for 2020-21 accepted by SMCOE
 - ❑ Focus on LA and math
- ❑ CCEIS work initiated analyzing District data regarding Hispanic special education students identified as SLD
 - ❑ Data compiled and reviewed
 - ❑ Stakeholder meetings held June 2020 with root cause discussions with additional meetings this fall
- ❑ Strengthened behavioral services team



Fiscal



- ❑ Accounting Specialist position to be posted
- ❑ HR has developed a partnership with San Jose State University and their Speech Language program
- ❑ HR and Special Education working collaboratively to monitor agency staff

Questions

Thank You