Welcome
September 3, 2019
Special Thanks

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Kelly Ingram
Objectives for the Evening

✓ Review the Strategic Plan
✓ Introductions to Department Members
✓ Share Department Contact Resources
✓ Provide Overview of Services/Audit of Service Delivery
✓ Share Upcoming Events in the Department
5 Strategies
Academic success through personalized learning.
Interpersonal skills for becoming a member of the community.

3 Objectives
Skill development that leads to college and career readiness.
MISSION:

The mission of the Shawnee Mission School District, the bridge to unlimited possibilities yet to be discovered, is to ensure students construct their own foundation for success in life’s endeavors through relevant, personalized learning experiences orchestrated by talented, compassionate educators and distinguished by:

• an inclusive culture
• an engaged community
• and robust opportunities that challenge learners to achieve their full potential.
BELIEFS:

- Every individual has inherent worth and deserves to be valued and celebrated.
- A community's strength is derived from its diversity.
- Respecting a community's diversity and each individual's dignity demands equitable access.
- A thriving community meets the basic physical, social, and emotional needs of its members.
- Safe and caring relationships are essential for learning and growth.
- Acknowledged and appreciated individuals confidently engage and collaborate.
- Individuals of all abilities and experiences can achieve personal excellence.
- Ownership empowers each person to ignite their future.
- Effective communication is truthful, genuine, reciprocal, and respectful.
Dr. Leigh Ann Neil
Assistant Superintendent
Principal of Early Childhood Education
Carla Heintz
Coordinator for Early Learning
Linda Phillips
Coordinator of Special Education, Elementary

Apache  Brookwood
Comanche  East Antioch
Lenexa Hills  Merriam Park
Nieman  Oak Park Carpenter
Overland Park  Pawnee
Rosehill  Sunflower

- Teachers of the Visually Impaired
- CPI Training
- Teachers of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing
- Physical and Occupational Therapists
- Extended School Year
- Orientation and Mobility
Katie Laird
Coordinator of Special Education, Elementary

• Speech Language Pathologist
• Autism Coaches
Dr. Jennifer Dancer
Assistant Director of Special Education

- School Psychologists
- Gifted Education
- Private Parochial
- Behavior Support Teachers/BCBA

Benninghoven Brookridge
Highlands Marsh
McAuliffe Mill Creek
Roesland Rushton
Santa Fe Trail Trialwood
Westwood View
Hocker Grove
Indian Hills
Indian Woods
Trailridge
Westridge

- Paraeducators
- Dynamic Learning Maps

Deb Dupree
Coordinator of Special Education, Secondary
Shawn Mackay
Coordinator of Special Education, Secondary

- SM North
- SM South
- SM East
- SM West
- SM Northwest

- Post High (18-21)
- Project Search Support
- Job Coaches
Sherry Dumolien
Director of Special Education

- Special Education- All Programs
- Gifted Education
- School Psychologists
- Instructional Specialists
- Project Search
- Adaptive PE
- Art and Music Therapists
- Off Campus Education Services
- Arrowhead Day School
- Out of District Liaison
District Resources

Instructional Specialist
Elementary - Katie McCann, Luke Schneider
Low Incidence - Maureen Massie
Transition - Kelly Chapman

BST’s
Autism Coaches
Related Service providers
Off Campus Supports
Para Educators
Special Education Quick Guide

See Handout
THE CONTINUUM OF SERVICES

General Education with No Direct Special Education Services or Supports (Traditional Mainstreaming)

General Education Class, Direct Special Education Services and Other Related Services in the General Education Class

Pull-out Special Education Services and Other Related Services for a Small Portion of the School in a Setting Other than General Education Classroom

Sub-separate Classes with Mainstreaming Opportunities in Academic & Non-Academic Classes as Specified in the IEP

Day/Residential Schools, Hospital Schools, Home Services

Move this way only as far as necessary

Return this way as rapidly & feasibly as possible
Upcoming Opportunities

✓ Establishment of Special Education Collaborative Group
Special Education Collaborative Group

✓ We exist to collaborate with the school district on matters relating to continuous program improvement efforts as they pertain to special education. We provide communitywide support to families with students from age 3 through age 21 in the school district’s special education programs.

✓ To act as an advisory body to the district through the director of special education on behalf of students receiving special education services. This group will work toward the district mission and beliefs to ensure each learner opportunities for learning and a commitment to reach one’s potential.

✓ To provide a forum for parents and staff to share ideas, problem solve concerns, and advise the department in order to improve services for children with disabilities.

✓ The long-term goal is to advocate for high quality programs and services necessary to effectively and efficiently meet the needs of all children with disabilities and their families.
Special Education Collaborative Group

Application Details

✓ Application can be completed electronically or via paper copy
✓ Application Due September 25th
✓ First Meeting will be in October
“Children are the Priority. Change is the Reality. Collaboration is the Strategy.”