



Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)

Feb, 02, 2022

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Welcome & Introductions

Agenda

6:10 p.m. Approve <u>January minutes</u>

6:15 p.m. Inclusion Activity, Brenda Natala

6:35 p.m. Transition Process Map, Ramsey County Disability Supports and Services

7:05 p.m. Early Childhood Special Education Update, Sarah Zielinski

Special Education Update, Brenda Natala, Director Specialized Services

7:35 p.m. SEAC Forum

7:45 p.m. Meeting Wrap Up

8:00 p.m. Adjourn



Approve January minutes

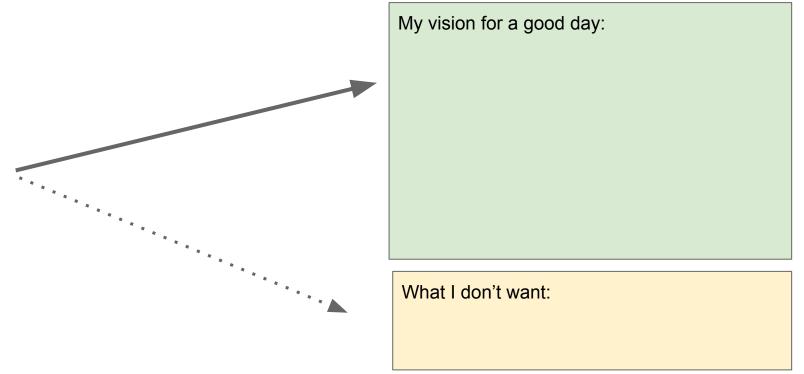


Inclusion Activity

Charting the Life Course

- ★ What's your vision for a good life?
- ★ What's your child's vision for a good life?
- ★ What is your family vision for a good life?

What's your vision of a good day?



Transition Process Map

Ramsey County Disability Supports and Services

Jonathan Rose Jackie Kelly Amy Eelkema

Specialized Services Update



Office of Specialized Services (OSS)

Marcy Doud, Deputy Chief of Schools

Supervises Schools under Division of Schools

Oversight of Special Education, Wellness, Third Party Billing

Legal, Finance, Dispute Resolution



Supervise daily operations of Special Education Birth-21

OSS Organization Link - schools and supervisors





OSS Supervisors



Jennifer Krueger
Supervisor,
Due Process



Larry Wren
Supervisor
K-12 Schools



Sarah Zielinski Supervisor, ECSE

OSS Supervisors



Chong Thor
Supervisor
K-12 Schools



Amy Johnson
Supervisor
K-12 Schools



Hai Yen Vo Supervisor K-12 Schools

Special Education Updates

Marcy Doud

Deputy Chief of Schools in SPPS through June 30, 2022

Superintendent of ISD 287 starting July 1, 2022

Brenda Natala

Appointed Executive Director of Specialized Services 1/31/2022

United Hmong with Disabilities

United Hmong with Disabilities National Conference - January 22

United Hmong with Disabilities: Website



Special Education Recovery Service

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Planning for summer - ESY and Recovery Services
Implementing recovery services



Current Planning

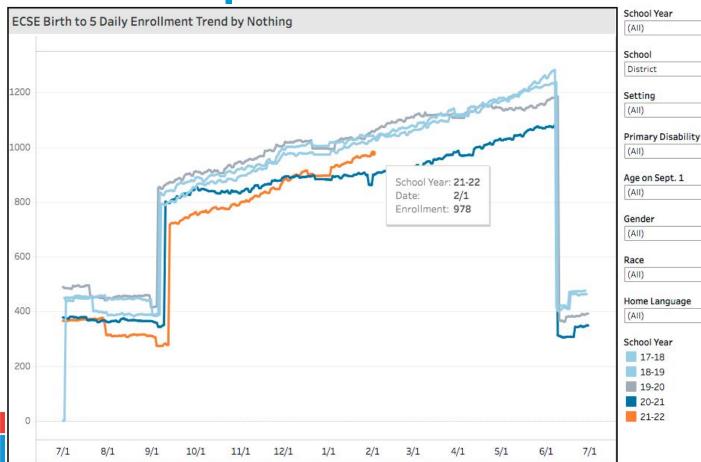
- Staffing shortages due to COVID improving
 - Temporary Shift to Virtual Learning due to staff absences
 - Handful of schools have had temporary shifts none this week
- Summer ESY and Recovery Services programs
- Staffing for 2022-2023
- Envision SPPS school mergers, closures, openings
- Assistive Technology Family Nights on hold
- Secondary block scheduling for 2022-2023
- Recruiting Paraprofessionals -- <u>TA Interest Form</u>



ECSE Updates - Referral Enrollment



ECSE Updates - Birth to 5 Enrollment

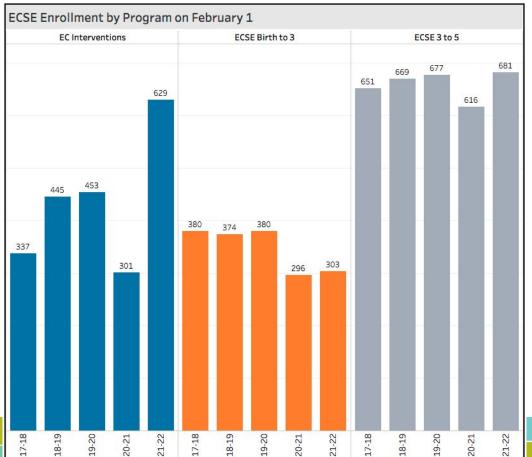


Birth to 5 average enrollment on Feb.1st, SY 17/18-19/20 = 1,044

SY 21/22 = **978** children receiving services in Birth to 5 as of Feb. 1, 2022



ECSE Updates - Enrollment by Program



ECSE Updates - American Rescue Plan (ARP)

Three ECSE strategies were allocated ARP funding:

Assessment and Service - Additional staff to evaluate and support the projected increase in students needing ECSE services

Infant Mental Health - Training for ECSE educators and support for families in building healthy relationships and managing stress

Early Childhood Autism Support - Training for ECSE teachers to support students with characteristics of autism

ECSE Updates - HUB (East & West)

In planning stages with Pre-K and ECFE to collaborate for a successful opening fall 2022.

ARP money used to fund the opening of one new ECSE classroom at Early Learning HUB West

SEAC Forum- Discussion & Information Sharing

For the expression of concerns and recommendations pertaining to the education of students with disabilities in SPPS.

SEAC members strive to discuss & advise on issues of broad importance to SPPS as a whole.

Personal stories & reflection can be used to inform the group's understanding of broad issues.

Perspectives and confidentiality will be respected.

Members are encouraged to bring forth concerns & recommendations without fear of reprisal.



I want to hear your ideas and your solutions for better serving our community and making our schools the best they can be for our students and families.

- How do we improve student outcomes?
- School climate?
- Staff satisfaction?
- How do we stabilize or even increase enrollment?
- What should we stop doing, and what should we do more of?

Meeting Wrap Up

- Announcements, events or resources to share
 - Disability Advocacy Day Feb 22
 - **Transition Planning Tools**
- Tip to share on SEAC Facebook Group?



Next SEAC meeting Monday, March 7, 2022