



Special Education Update

June 7, 2021



Extended School Year Services

- Planning is underway for our in-person ESY. Remote options will be available.
- We have over 200 students attending - there is still time for parents who have not signed up. Contact your team chair or child's teacher for sign up survey.
- Additionally, we have over 100 students coming in for compensatory services.



Strategic Planning For Student Services

Goals for Strategic Plan were informed by the following sources:

- Information from district staff and special education staff
- Conversations with parents
- Review of IEP records, financial analysis
- Review of caseloads and resource allocation
- Review of student achievement data and findings from Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, most notable feedback from exit interview of Tiered Focus Monitoring Review*
- Recent determination of Needs Assistance by DESE for the Malden Special Education Department was used to develop goals.

*waiting on final report



Proposed Goals for Strategic Plan

- 1) Alignment of resources, staffing, and training in order to provide a high quality and robust educational program for students with special needs.
- 2) Reduction of the dropout rates and chronic absentee rates for students with Special Needs and an increase in the graduation rate for students with special needs.
- 3) Creation of systems and procedures to ensure the continued and effective compliance with special education regulations.
- 4) Reduction of the frequency and duration of students with special needs being educated away from their general education environment.
- 5) Increase the effectiveness and diversity of co-teaching instruction within the general education program.



Odds & Ends

- Contact & inquiry form on the family resource web page
- Updated Special Education Procedure Manual is in the works.
- ELC registration is underway.
- Special Thank You to Heather Whittington & Monique Boudreau!!!

Best of Luck as you move on from MPS!!!



Beebe Handicap accessible playground officially opened! Thank you to Toni Mertz!