

Administrative Bulletin to Board Members

August 7, 2015

Superintendent Report

Fourth Grade Teacher

I received resignation from Nicole Heidenreich who will be accepting a position nearer to her home in Pittsburgh. It is my intent to hopefully have someone to be named at this board meeting. If I am not able to accomplish that we will need to start the year with a substitute.

Dean of Students

With Mrs. Corle being out on FMLA my recommendation will be to move forward as we did last year while Mrs. Corle was out.

Pre K Bids

With the State budget not being approved we still do not have any information on our Pre K grant. I will be opening the Pre K transportation bids and will be submitting these for tentative approval at the August board meeting with the stipulation that we receive the grant.

High School Principal

America's Best High Schools

We have just received notification that Southern Fulton High School has been included in the list of America's Best High Schools as reported by U.S News & World Report.

Special Education Director

Extended School Year

The final day for ESY was July 31, 2015.

Project Max Training

Project Max Training at Southern Fulton will resume in September. Project Max was a five year commitment with the state. We are beginning year two. This year the focus will be internal coaching and supporting regular education staff in meeting the unique needs of students. IU 11 Special Education TAC staff will work collaboratively with our district with continuing to hold monthly meetings. PATTAN will remain part of our team; however, will take a less prominent role.

Special Education Single Point of Contact

On August 4, 2015 the newly appointed Bureau of Special Education Single Point of Contact, Debbie Sotack, arrived at Southern Fulton to meet. The purpose of the meeting was "to get to know our district". Data was reviewed and the following points were discussed in great detail:

Transition – preparing students for life beyond high school, LRE – Least Restrictive Environment, Specific Learning Disabilities - eligibility, Speech and Language Services, Positive Behavior Support

School Wide, and RTII – Response to Intervention prior to a student being evaluated for special education services.

Low Incidence Conference

August 10, 2015 until August 14, 2015 I will be attending the Low Incidence Conference. The Low Incidence Conference supports individuals with disabilities such as hearing impaired, blind and/or visually impaired, intellectual disabilities, and extremely medically fragile students.

Following the conferences attended a quick sheet will be created and forwarded to board members indicating the topics and sessions attended. Special Education Staff will be provided with detailed notes about the conference and information obtained.