

SPECIAL EDUCATION

June Newsletter

23-24 Celebrations

Secondary Student Involvement at CSE Meetings -

Special education teachers grades 7-12 focused on increasing student engagement during annual reviews this year.

Student attendance at our 9th and 10th grade meetings **increased** from 61% attendance in 22-23 to 97% attendance in 23-24. Additionally, **student participation increased** from 52% of 9th graders actively participating in their meetings in 22-23 to 76% in 23-24!

Unified Physical Education -

This was successfully piloted at Auburn Junior High School, which was an opportunity to bring students with and without disabilities together through educational and physical activities.

Lots of Learning

AECSD special education staff had numerous opportunities to participate in professional development this year:

Growth Gatherings -

Elementary special class staff at Seward received monthly training focused on meeting the unique needs of their students

Para Power Hours -

Special education teacher aides received bimonthly professional development to promote growth as educators

Great Guests!

Taylor Major, M.S. CCC-SLP and **Christina Van Ditto** provided excellent training for our special education teacher aides!

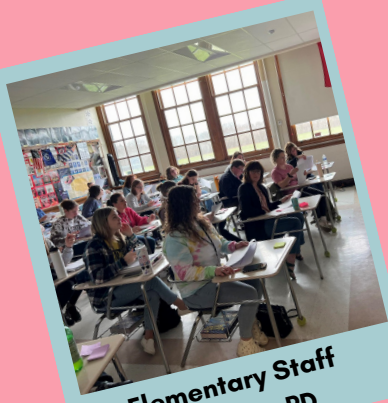
Michele Hochstetter from the Adoptive and Foster Family Coalition shared strategies with staff for teaching students who have had adverse childhood experiences.

Transition Specialists Kayla Hurley and Kristine O'Brien from Mid-State Regional Partnership provided year round training for our secondary special education teachers.

David Kudgus and Nicole Nucci from OPWDD explained transition supports for people with developmental disabilities to our secondary staff.

School Psychologists Dee Solomon and Jen Church skillfully taught special education teacher aides about MTSS, the special education process and the continuum of services.

Our Year in Review...



Elementary Staff receiving PD



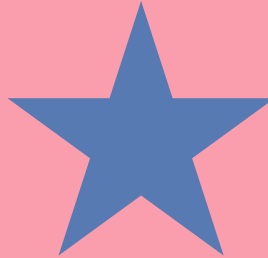
AHS students in Ms. Palmeri's class



An 'edible' mitosis lab at AHS



3rd & 4th graders using the 4s mat in math



Teacher Aide PD



AJHS Coffee Cart

to  countdown
SUMMER
break

**CONGRATULATIONS
PARA POWER HOUR
RAFFLE WINNERS**

**PATTY BEATSON
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