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Paraprofessionals

Paras, please remember it is important that you stay up to date on your in-service requirements. You should be completing about 2 hours of in-service every month. Your hours should be entered on your digital in-service log that was created and shared with you by your teacher or me. Turn in your signed log and documentation as soon as you have completed your required number of hours.

If you've never completed the Para Series of 10 video modules on Infinitec, I highly recommend them. The topics include student behavior, social/emotional growth, data management, ESI and homelessness. They are all about an hour long and range from 1.0 to 1.25 learning credits.

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Spotlight on Sped Squad Essentials

Required IEP Participants State and Federal regulations require regular attendance for an IEP meeting of the following participants: *Student (14 yrs old and older) *Parents/Guardians *Special Education Teacher(s) *Related Service Provider(s) *General Education Teacher *LEA School Rep (principal/assistant principal) *Interpreter if needed (Language or Sign Language) *Person to interpret instructional implications/evaluations as needed (i.e., school psychologist)

IEP excusals must be done if one of the required IEP participants listed above can't be present due to an emergency or another unavoidable reason and there is not another person who is qualified and able to represent the absent participant. IEP excusals should be used as a rare exception only as needed in unavoidable circumstances. Participants need to stay for the duration of the IEP meeting.

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Infinitec News

In July, Infinitec launched a redesigned version of the MyInfinitec.org website. Once you get used to the new look, it is very user friendly. There are tutorials on the homepage (My Dashboard) to teach you how to use every aspect of the website. Don't hesitate to contact the Infinitec Helpdesk if you have questions. The helpdesk information is listed at the bottom of the homepage.

Reminder

Reminder to our related service providers, your daily logs for August, September, and October are due the first week of November.

COVID Related Absence

Reminder, all special education staff, in all 3 districts, must notify Kati Wolfgang in HR, regarding any COVID-19 related absence.

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Flu Shot Clinic



Anyone with health insurance is eligible to attend. USD 320 covered members will be at a \$0 cost!

Most insurances pay 100% for the flu vaccine, so they aren't worried about what type of insurance you have. They will bill your insurance and likely you will have a \$0 cost. If you are on the USD 320 plan, you can bring any spouse/dependents that are on the plan and there will be no cost for their flu shots either. Children age 6 and up are welcome to attend. Nasal spray is NOT an option, all children will get flu shots.



When & Where: October 16 WMD Commons

Who: All USD 320 Staff & Families

Classified Staff: 10:30-11:30AM

Certified Staff: 11:30-1:30PM

Sign up online, Kati sent out an email with this information.

***Masks Required!**

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Get inspired and inspire!



"I teach because I'm still inspired by a great teacher I had when I was a kid. So, I get that what we do every single day truly lasts a lifetime!"

"I love coffee and inclusion!"

"Every child deserves a champion: an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists they become the best they can possibly be."

"All students can learn and succeed, but not on the same day in the same way."

"I teach because I'm still inspired by a great teacher I had when I was a kid. So, I get that what we do every single day truly lasts a lifetime!"

"The way we talk to children becomes their inner voice."

"IEP ~ I Encourage Progress"

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Birthdays

- Theresa Pettay 3
- Ashley Brummet 3
- Brianna Fox 4
- Erin Hudson 5
- Dana Griffin 5
- Julie Roggenkamp 5
- Tracy Cripps 8
- Teresa Wells 8
- Misty Wilson 10
- Kim Schnee 11
- Cheryl Price 14
- Renee Pachta 15
- Kathy Chicora 15
- Samantha Poland 18
- Pam Hendricks 22
- Berkley Wieggers 26
- Annie Frank 27
- Cristi Wieggers 27
- Kara Ray 30