

Special Education Report

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School Visits

The Director is continuing to conduct site visits, and has spent a significant amount of time in the Kalskag schools throughout October. Activities during visits included continuing to support SPED teachers with initial documentation and facilitating collaboration between SPED and regular education teachers.

Highlights:

- ZLES is working diligently within the RtI process. During every visit there was evidence of schoolwide RtI processes happening.
- JJSS has a positive school climate and there is an abundance of evidence the teachers and students are working diligently across all areas of education.

Related Service Providers

The occupational therapist made her first contracted visit for the school year and was able to see all the students on her caseload and complete all requested evaluations.

The school psychologist conducted his second contracted visit for the school year and was able to complete all requested evaluations and reevaluations. He also completed hearing screenings at all sites. Additionally, he provided training to the entire SPED department during in-service on evaluation assessments.

Alaska School Health & Wellness Institute: October 28-30, 2019

By attending the Institute, KSD's Special Education department received additional resources to help Alaska youth learn to create healthy, happy, and successful lives. Some of the topics of continued learning included: Whole School, Whole Community, and Whole Child Model, Social Emotional Learning, Mindfulness, and Health and Education are Symbiotic. Further information about <u>Transforming Schools: A Framework for Trauma-engaged Schools in Alaska</u> was provided. The SPED department will use these resources to address the physical, emotional, and mental health of students when creating IEPs and allocating resources to provide support.

SPED Fall OASIS

Report is complete and submitted. Additionally, all new Intensive claims submitted during the first week of November.