

BELVIDERE COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT 100 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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PRESENTERS

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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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- o District 100 Organizational Structure
- o District 100 Special Education Programs
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ABOUT BELVIDERE DISTRICT 100

- o Located in Boone County, just east of Rockford
- o Large Unit District
- o About 8300 Students
- o About 1250 Students with IEPs
 - 15% of students have IEPs
- o \$91 Million Budget
 - 2013-2014
- o \$14.8 Million spent on Special Education
 - 2011-2012

ABOUT DISTRICT 100

- o 2 Comprehensive High Schools
- o 2 Middle Schools (6-8)
- o 1 STEM Academy Magnet School (K-8)
- o 5 Elementary Schools (K-5)

RATIONALE FOR WITHDRAWAL/DISSOLUTION

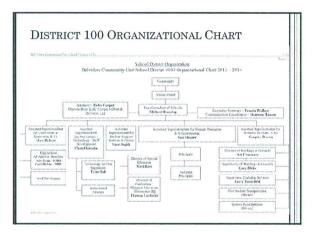
- District 100 provides its own individual programs for its students and provides all staffing for such programs
- o District 100 provides its own Transition and Extended School Year (ESY) programs to ensure Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)
- o District 100 provides all of its own special education programming, with the exception of public/private facility and residentially placed students
- o BCSEC currently flows all but 1% of its IDEA Grant allotment to member districts

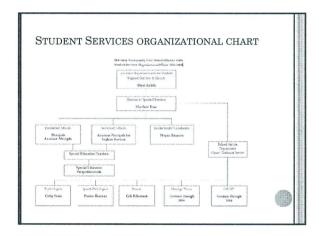
BENEFITS FOR WITHDRAWAL/DISSOLUTION

- o District 100 and District 200 have been servicing students as stand alone districts for the last 3 years under the umbrella of the Boone County Special Education Cooperative.
- o District 100 currently hires/contracts all but two special education staff directly
- ${\bf o}$ Grant dollars can be managed by individual districts without Coop oversight
- Professional development can be managed and allotted by individual districts at their discretion
- o Streamlining processes to individual districts will increase productivity of staff in both districts

PROJECTED FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- The BCSEC flows all grant money to member districts with the exception of the costs associated with the IEP management system.
- Without the umbrella of the Coop, each district's finances will not only be maintained (Maintenance of Effort), but used more efficiently.





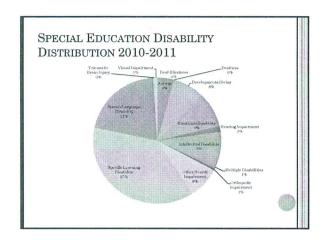
ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Student Services Department

- o Assistant Superintendent for Student Services
- o Director of Special Education
 - 3 Administrative Assistants
- o Elementary 6 Principals and 3 Assistant Principals
- o Secondary 4 Assistant Principals for Student Services
- o Special Education Teachers Pre-K through Secondary
- o Paraprofessionals Pre-K through Secondary
- o 11 Speech Pathologists
- o 8 School Psychologists
- o 5 Social Workers
- o 1 Vision Itinerant

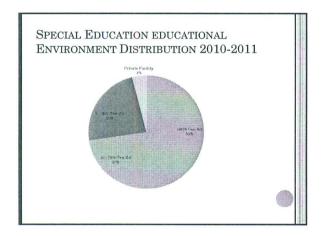
SPECIAL EDUCATION DISABILITY DISTRIBUTION 2010-2011

- o Autism 4.25%
- ${\tt o}$ Deafness 0.00%
- o Deaf-Blindness 0.00%
- o Developmental Delay 7.85%
- o Emotional Disability 9.13%
- o Hearing Impairment 1.52%
- o Intellectual Disability 8.81%
- o Multiple Disabilities 0.72%
- Orthopedic Impairment 0.56% • Other Health Impairment - 8.81%
- o Specific Learning Disability 37.42%
- o Speech/Language Disability 20.59%
- o Traumatic Brain Injury 0.48%
- o Visual Impairment 0.56%



SPECIAL EDUCATION EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT DISTRIBUTION 2010-2011 • Code 01 – Gen Ed 80 - 100% 49.3% • Code 02 – Gen Ed 40 - 79% 23.3% • Code 03 – Gen Ed 0 - 39% 23.3%

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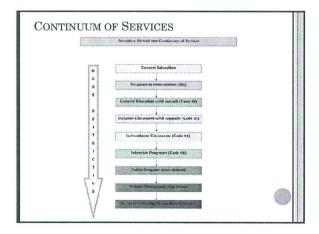


SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- o Resource Programs
- o Cross-Categorical Programs

o Code 08/09 - Private Facility

- o Emotional Disabilities Programs
- o Autism Programs
- o Life Skills Programs
- o Community Transitions Programs
- o 3-5 Year Old Program
- o ESY Program
- o Private & Public Day Programs
- o Residential/Homebound Programs



CONTINUUM OF SERVICES

- o Available from Pre-K until the age of 22
- ${\tt o}$ Allows for students to be educated in their LRE
- Allows for the district to best meet the needs of its students
- Allows for students to gain as many transition skills as possible

COMMUNITY/PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

- o Belvidere Special Education Parent Staff Organization (PSO)
- o Belvidere Park District and Northlands Association for Special Recreation (NASR)
- o Belvidere County Public Transportation
- o RAMP
- o Growth Enterprises
- o Camelot Therapeutic Day Schools

STAFF PLANNING FOR 2014-2015

- o Contract Hearing Itinerant through NIA
- o Hire state approved Director of Special Education
- ${\bf \circ}$ Continue to contract the following services through NIA
 - OT/PT
 - · Autism and Assistive Tech Consultation
 - Technical Assistance for Hearing/Vision/Speech

EXPANSION OF PROGRAMS & SERVICES

 Looking to expand our transition services; including expanding current opportunities for all students

THANK YOU

- o District 100 would like to thank the ISAC Board for their time and consideration
- Thank you to Boyd Fergurson for your guidance in this process