


MSAD #53 Special Services  
August 2009  
School Board Report

**Student Counts:**

Special Education: 173 Referrals: 7  
Out of District Placement: 3  
504: K-8: 86 9-12: 7  
ELL: 4  
Alternative Education: HS- 15 MS-2 GED-3 Wait List- 0  
Transfers In: 157  
Transfers Out: 112  
Homeless: K-8: 9-12:  
Drop Outs: 10  
Habitual Truants: K-8: 1 9-12: 3

**Stimulus Package:** We have started to spend our money. Last week 20 staff members participated in a phonological awareness workshop called LIPs. A company called LindaMood trainings presents this workshop. The new staff also participated in a new behavioral safety training called Safety Care by a company called QBS. The trainers, Sarah Bolster, Sarah Loring and Paula Young were used

**Special Education Review-phase 1:** Our year 1 planning has been approved. We needed to have the DOE review all of our staff and their certification as well as complete an action plan to ensure 100% compliance. I have completed the action plan as well as all the steps on the action plan. We had a few glitches with MCI educational technician certification as well as mine but on June 30<sup>th</sup> I received a call from the woman that had done the year 1 training that all of our certifications were up to date.



**Extended School Year Services:** Summer school was a tremendous success again this year. 25 students were offered either resource room or related services in K-8. 12 students at the high school had the opportunity to work on credit recovery. Only one of those students did not attend the tutoring offered.

**New Staff Hired:** Three new educational technicians were hired to fill spots at Burnham Village School, Vickery School and at Warsaw Middle School. Angela Dunton will be an educational technician III at BVS. Bethany Downs will be an educational technician II at Vickery school and Chris Talbot will be an educational technician II at Warsaw Middle School. Sam Hubbell will be  $\frac{1}{2}$  time resource room teacher at the high school working with a student with severe handicaps.

*What we see depends mainly on what we are looking for.*  
*-John Lubbock*