

Center for Exceptional Children

A Branch of the South Jasper County Shared Services Arrangement



Special Education Services

Students who have a disability and an educational need may be eligible for special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Students are referred to special education by a referral team. Referral to special education requires parent consent prior to assessment.

Programs and services are provided by Kirbyville CISD for the following disabilities: orthopedic impairment, auditory impairment, mental retardation, learning disability, other health impairment, vision impairment, emotional disturbance,

speech/language impairment, autism, and traumatic brain injury. Special education services are individualized and based on student needs and eligibility. These services may include direct instruction in both regular and special education settings as well as therapeutic support and related services to help the student benefit from instruction.

Special Education Faculty and Staff

Director – Jerry Gore

Diagnostician – Kerby Waghorn

Speech Pathologist – Crissy Gentry

Speech Assistant – Aimee Locker

Counselor – Stacy Rutherford

Secretary – Sarah Uribe

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Tiffany Williams

Jacee Williams

Regina Crawford

Charlotte Dawes

Kelly Prewitt

Cydney Boyd

Tami Horn

Shirley Goddard

Kristen Peterson

Gina Woods

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Using pre-referral intervention strategies to reduce the need to label children in order to address their learning needs
- Children learning side-by-side even though they may have different educational goals and learning styles.
- All students benefitting from quality instruction
- Ensuring access to the general curriculum to the maximum extent possible
- Providing a positive learning environment
- Promoting General and Special Education collaboration





