## **Special Education and Pupil Services Monthly School Board Report**

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**Our Vision:** Expecting Excellence and Innovation, Honoring Legacy, and Embracing Partnerships.

**Our Mission:** Expecting Excellence and Integrity from all, developing Innovative students, strengthened through Partnerships with parents and the community.

I recently attended a County Community on Transition (CCoT) meeting. A CCoT is a regional community that comes together to identify issues, barriers, supports, and solutions that will assist students with disabilities in meeting their postsecondary goals related to training or education, employment, and independent living. We plan on continuing to meet to discuss county services available to students with disabilities. This is a resource for teachers, students, and families to use when navigating disability services as students transition from high school to adult life.

I will be meeting with the Unified School District of Marshfield to discuss Project LIFE and the opportunity for our students. Project LIFE is an alternative vocational training program for students with disabilities. The Project LIFE transition program provides a seamless transition from high school to life after high school. Project LIFE provides three different internship opportunities throughout the course of study. This unique program combines classroom training with hands-on experience in actual companies to build a strong foundation for employment and independence.