



**MID-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION**

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**To:** Newly Hired Special Education Teachers

**From:** Lyn Becker, Assistant Director

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**Date:** May 11, 2022

**Re: Mentoring/IEP Training**

An introductory special education orientation and mentoring session will be held on **August 8, 2021** to help new special education teachers begin to learn required special education procedures, prepare for their first week with students, review the Embrace program and discuss important IEP compliance pitfalls. Additional special education mentoring sessions will be offered regularly to ensure that new staff gain the knowledge and skills needed to be successful in their first year with a new district. Participants should bring a laptop or iPad to this training if they have access to one. Six professional development hours will be provided to certified staff after the completion of this mentoring session.

**August 8, 2022**  
**8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**  
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A full day CPI training session has also been scheduled on **August 11, 2022** at the same location for newly hired certified, non-certified staff, or anyone who needs the initial training. Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training through the Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) teaches techniques used to prevent and deescalate intense behaviors and/or situations. Certification in Nonviolent Crisis Intervention is a safeguard to you and a protection to the children we serve. During the Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training staff will learn how to defuse challenging and disruptive behavior before an incident escalates to a crisis situation. This course includes de-escalation techniques, trauma informed practices, restorative justice procedures, and safe physical restraint training. Completion of the course will result in CPI certification.

Participants should dress casually (jeans, t-shirt, tennis shoes). IDPH mitigation practices will be implemented if indicated based on local COVID numbers. Seven professional development hours will be provided to certified staff after the completion of the Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training.

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Go to the Mid-State Special Education website and click on News & Events/Professional Development drop down to register for the Mentoring/IEP Training and the CPI training by August 1, 2022. If you have difficulty please call **Vickie Throne** [Vickie.throne@midstatespec.org](mailto:Vickie.throne@midstatespec.org) or **526-8121 ext. 230** for assistance. Lunch will be provided each day.

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