

September 2022

Welcome Back! MSSE Staff Meeting





It was great starting the school year together again! MSSE Staff met on Aug. 19th for training and collaboration.

GoForward: Meet Your Special Admins



Back: Randi Riemann, Brandy Buske, Dawn Thievagt, Bobbi Fisher Front: Barb Daugherty, Angie Armour, Lyn Becker Not pictured: Danley Killam, Eric Lux, Scott Pasley, Terry Swalley

On Aug. 3rd, we started the school year with our annual GoForward training. We welcomed new PCs Barb Daugherty serving Edinburg, Morrisonville, Panhandle, SouthFork and Terry Swalley serving Bond. We have a very experienced and diverse group of leaders serving students, families, and school staff in meeting the needs of all learners.

Professional Development



We know that finding time to complete required professional development can be a challenge so Mid-State is, once again, offering a variety of training. Some of them can even be completed in the comfort of your own home! The lineup this year includes six FREE book or movie studies totaling 52 PDHs: Sept-The Reason I Jump (movie); Oct-

Motivating Students Who Don't Care (book); Nov-Inside the Magic Kingdom (book); Jan- Deep Dive into Behavioral Interventions (video); Feb- Trauma & Restorative Practices; Mar- Better Than Carrots or Sticks (book). Share with colleagues. Check the website for a complete listing and to register Professional Development | Mid-State Special Education | Act fast as The Reason | Jump starts soon!!

MSSE Summer PD





Barb Daugherty

Terry Swalley

PC Bootcamp - In July, Lyn Becker provided a PC Bootcamp for our newest program coordinators, Barb Daugherty and Terry Swalley pictured above along with Danley Killam and Eric Lux. This training explored special education timelines, IEP compliance issues, and helpful resources to assist the newest members of the MSSE team.



DTI & ULS - Emma Reichert provided Discrete Trial Instruction and Universal Learning Systems training to staff from six member districts to help them be prepared for the first day of student attendance.



Year 1 Mentoring & Induction - Bobbi Fisher, Dawn Theivagt, and Barb Daugherty provided a full day of mentoring to 18 new staff from nine member districts. This was the largest group of new staff we've ever had for mentoring and we are thankful for each and everyone of them!







Megan Harley



Sarah Turner

SSW/Counselor Training - Nancy Roasio, SSW, and Lyn Becker, AD, provided excellent training for Mid-States' first year SSW/Counselors. Special education duties, regular education tasks, additional responsibilities and helpful resources were shared with our new staff who we are extremely grateful to welcome!

Meet More New MSSE Staff













We are thrilled to introduce you to our new MSSE staff! Starting at the top left we have Andrea Cartright (SLP), Madi Whittington (SLP, returning), Breeanna Henson (SLP), Amanda Fritcher (Transition Specialist), Chloe Foppe (DHH), and Joan Saatkamp (Transition Specialist, returning).

Speech Language Pathologists



Some of our Speech Language Pathologists visited together this summer. It is so wonderful when we can make friends with our colleagues!

MSSE Director Search Underway

Applications are being accepted through Oct. 4th for candidates interested in serving as the MSSE Director beginning July 1, 2023 following the retirement of the current director and assistant director. More information can be found at Join Our Team | Mid-State Special Education