

East Central BOCES Special Education Support Services

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Required Related Service Providers

Special Education Coordinators - The Special Education Coordinators attend student individual education plan (IEP) meetings. They provide direct and indirect collaborative consultation services to administrators, board members, teachers, paraprofessionals, students, parents, related agencies, and BOCES' special service providers. Assist special education teachers in documenting, organizing and filing special education records, developing appropriate goals and objectives based on students' needs and strengths, implementation of curriculum, test and assignment modifications.



Leah Price: Burlington (including CBP) Arriba-Flagler, Arickaree, Hi-Plains, Kit Carson, Kiowa, Liberty & Idalia

Nicole Kollath: Bennett, Byers, Genoa-Hugo
Limon (including CBP), & Strasburg (including CP) & Woodlin
Not Pictured-

Moira Hawks: Agate, Karval & Cheyenne Wells

Bev Blagg: Bethune, Deer Trail & Stratton

Psychological Services – Psychologists provide cognitive, adaptive behavior, and social-emotional assessments to assist with determining student eligibility for special education services. In addition, they provide special education counseling, consultation to parents and educators, assistance in facilitating special education staffings, and provision of in-services when requested.



Cassidy Forest: Byers, Strasburg (including Prairie Creeks and CBP), Our Lady Help of Christians Academy, Bennett & Kiowa

Sherry Nelson: Arriba-Flagler, Bethune, Burlington PS, Cheyenne Wells, Genoa-Hugo, Karval, Kit Carson, Limon (including CBP) & Stratton

Leah Price: Agate, Arickaree, Burlington ES, MS, HS & CBP, Deer Trail, Hi-Plains, Idalia, Liberty, Woodlin, School Psychologist Team Supervisor & Autism Team Coordinator.

Sociological Services – The Social Workers/Family Resource Specialists complete the social history and social-emotional assessment, provide individual and group counseling services to special education students, consult with parents and staff, assist in facilitating the parent advisory committee (PAC) meetings and special education staffings, and provide in-services as requested.



Jacque Thelen- Bennett PS and Intermediate School, Kiowa, Our Lady Help of Christians Academy, Strasburg ES & CBP, & Supervisor of Family Resource Specialist Team
Mitzi Smith- Bethune, Burlington PS, MS, HS & CBP MS/HS, Cheyenne Wells, Genoa-Hugo, Karval, Kit Carson, Limon Child Development Center, HS & MS.
Amanda Thew- Arriba-Flagler, Arickaree, Burlington ES (including CBP), Hi-Plains, Idalia Liberty, Limon ES, Limon CBP, Stratton, & Woodlin
Callie Dolan- Agate, Byers, Strasburg PS, MS, HS and Prairie Creek
Pamella Zackeru- Bennett ES, MS & HS
Soraya Taylor- Deer Trail

Speech/Language Therapy – The Speech-Language Pathologists provide assessments, consultation services to parents and district staff, complete screenings, provide direct individual and group therapy, & supervise and monitor Speech-Language Assistants (SLP-A's) SLP-A's provide individual and group direct services to students.



Ashley Gooden (SLP-A) - Cheyenne Wells & Kit Carson
Karla Hemphill- Strasburg ES, Our Lady Help of Christians Academy, Bennett Intermediate School and HS, Byers PS, & supervisor of the speech-language team.
Jenny Torkelson (SLP-A) - Strasburg ES & Agate
Rachel Franck- Byers ES, MS & HS, Strasburg PS, Community Reach Day Treatment & SWAAAC Coordinator
Robin Talbert- Stratton, Kit Carson, Limon Child Development Center, Burlington PS, & SWAAAC Coordinator
Alex Hinkhouse- Arriba-Flagler, Burlington CBP, Hi-Plains, Genoa-Hugo, Burlington HS, Bethune & SWAAAC Coordinator
JoDee Ellis (SLP-A) - Burlington ES & MS, Stratton, Limon MS, and CBP ES, MS & HS, & CPI trainer

Gail Wellman- Idalia, Burlington MS, Liberty, Woodlin & Arickaree

Lindsay DePalma- Bennett PS & ES, Kiowa & Deer Trail

Janet Gronsten- Strasburg MS, HS, CBP ES, MS HS, Prairie Creek & Bennett MS

Lauren Dunkle (SLP-A)- Deer Trail, Kiowa, Strasburg MS & CBP ES, Woodlin, Bennett Intermediate & Genoa-Hugo

Kahlee Penny- Burlington ES & Cheyenne Wells

Chiquita Sanders (SLP-A) - Bennett ES, Byers, ES and Limon Child Development Center

Kayla Slofkiss (SLP-A) - Karval & Limon ES

Not pictured- **Rani Blauw (SLP Aide)** - Byers PS, MS & HS, Strasburg PS, Bennett PS & MS

Occupational Therapy – The Occupational Therapists Registered (O.T.R.), the Registered Physical Therapist (R.P.T), or OT/PT assess, provide consultation services to school staff and parents, provide direct therapy to special education students and provide supervision and monitoring of Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants (COTA's). Physical Therapy Assistants (PTA's) and COTA's provide direct services to students.



Sharon Mason- Genoa-Hugo, Karval, Cheyenne Wells, Kit Carson, Arriba-Flagler, Burlington ES & Bethune

Breea Bush- Bennett, Our Lady Help of Christians Academy, & Supervisor of OT team.

Callie McCaffrey- Agate, Woodlin, Arickaree, Liberty, Limon including CBP, Deer Trail, Kiowa, Strasburg, Byers, Stratton, Hi-Plains, Prairie Creeks, Community Reach Day Treatment & CPI Trainer

Trish Cauthon (COTA)- Bennett, Strasburg PS & ES, Hi-Plains, Stratton, Kiowa, & Limon ES

Gina Martin- Idalia, Burlington PS, MS, HS, & ES CBP

Louise Wamsley (COTA) - Genoa-Hugo, Limon CBP & Child Development Center, Deer Trail, Byers PS & ES.

Early Childhood Special Education Preschool Coordinator/Teacher/Child Find – The Early Childhood Special Education Teachers support 3-5-year-olds including special education assessments, direct and indirect services, Child Find screenings, consultation with parents and teachers, and facilitation of IEP meetings.



Faith Wailes- Deer Trail, Limon Child Development Center, Strasburg, Kiowa & Autism Team Coordinator

Madison Stichter- Genoa-Hugo, Karval, Woodlin, Arickaree, Bennett, Agate, Kit Carson, Byers, Arriba-Flagler & Hi-Plains

Stacey Schillig- Stratton, Bethune, Burlington Idalia, Liberty, Cheyenne Wells, Supervisor ECSE Team & TS Gold Management.

Highly Specialized Program – The Audiologists serve all member districts for follow-up hearing screenings as referred by the school nurses and monitor hearing aids. The Teacher of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing serves all member districts who have students with hearing impairments and who have an individual education plan (IEP) requiring services. The Teacher of the Visually Impaired serves all member districts who have students with visual impairment and who have an individual education plan (IEP) requiring services



Beth O'Brien (Audiologist) - Woodlin, Genoa-Hugo, Arriba-Flagler, Limon, Karval, Agate, Kiowa, Deer Trail, Byers, Strasburg, & Bennett Audiologist

Loel Decker (Teacher of the Visually Impaired) - All 20 East Central BOCES School Districts

Not pictured-

Rachel McArthur (Audiologist) - Idalia, Liberty, Arickaree, Hi-Plains, Kit Carson, Cheyenne Wells, Stratton, Bethune, Burlington

Niki Cooper (Teacher of the Visually Impaired) - Agate, Bennett, Deer Trail, Byers, Kiowa, Limon & Strasburg

Diane Beard (Teacher of the Visually Impaired) - Arriba-Flagler, Karval, Genoa/Hugo Woodlin, Burlington, Stratton, Bethune, Kit Carson, Cheyenne Wells, Hi-Plains, Arickaree, Idalia & Liberty