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Executive Director's Report July 24, 2014

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Summer Programs

Several CAIU educational programs continue throughout the month of July. Our Preschool students participate in classroom programs, itinerant services, and a variety of therapy services. Also, screenings and assessments take place throughout the year. The school age special education students are enjoying Extended School Year (ESY) classes provided at Hill Top Academy and in Derry Township SD. School age students also participate in classes held at the Center for Industrial Training (CIT) and Goodwill Industries. Students in our nonpublic schools have an opportunity to participate in a six week summer tutoring program held at Holy Family School in Harrisburg. This program is funded through federal Title I dollars. Summer programming is also provided at Diakon Youth Center and at the Hershey Medical Center - Penn State Children's Hospital.

NEWS

CAIU Cisco VoIP Phone System

The CAIU technology services team completed a migration of the entire organization to a Cisco VoIP phone system. The team has been supporting the Cisco VoIP system at the CAIU for the past several years and for five of our local school districts.

This move to Cisco serves two purposes:

1. Our current system was going "end of life" and would no longer be supported.
2. Our technology services team has standardized on a Cisco solution for the CAIU with all networking equipment (switches, wireless, servers, firewalls and phones).

The equipment includes over 300 Cisco VoIP telephones which were deployed in early July. The deployment of the new phones included the Enola office, Hill Top Academy, Delbrook Preschool Center, Holy Family, Capital Area School for the Arts Charter School, Diakon Youth Center, Lemoyne Preschool Center, Millersburg Preschool Center and Shippensburg Preschool Center. Our Help Desk team has been trained on the new phones and has been assisting CAIU Staff with the setup of their Cisco phones and voicemail.

Data Quality Curriculum (DQC) Update

Training in the Data Quality Curriculum is underway across the Commonwealth. Twenty-seven staff members from CAIU school districts attended the DQC rollout at the PDE Data Summit in May and are working through the curriculum in Moodle. An additional 24 people from our school districts attended the DQC session hosted by the CAIU on July 16 and will work on completing the curriculum in Moodle through November. Additional DQC sessions will be offered by CAIU



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beginning in October and February that will run for about 12 weeks each. The Data Quality Curriculum was developed by PDE to educate school personnel regarding data management from multiple perspectives: Data Entry, Entry Level PIMS Administrators, Experienced PIMS Administrators and LEA Administrators. Training is voluntary and free. Act 48 and Act 45 credits are available.

Student Services

Autism Support

Mr. Keith Imboden, program supervisor, has been working with districts to establish two new Autism Support classes in response to district needs for student placement options. One new class will be located at Susquehanna Township High School and the other class will be at East Pennsboro Middle School.

Capital Area Partial Program (CAPP)

Dr. Patrick Rieker, program director, continues to work directly with PerformCare to finalize the corrective action plan in order to gain approval for billing through insurance. We have submitted multiple revisions at their request.

Dr. Patrick Rieker and Ms. Alicia McDonald met with the two psychiatrists in the CAPP program in order to begin more strategic discussions about effective program design and implementation. This strategic planning will be ongoing throughout the 2014-15 school year, and we look to involve other stakeholders in this process.

Loysville Youth Development Center (LYDC)

Mr. Clyde Caldwell, principal, has been working with PDE to propose and prepare to submit revisions to our Planned Educational Program (PEP) which PDE approves for the operation of the educational program at LYDC. Revisions must be made and submitted for board and PDE approval since PDE has level funded the program, and we cannot continue current operations and programming without making some program reductions and changes.

Online Therapy with PresenceLearning

Mrs. Arlene Moll, project administrator, has been working with PresenceLearning and other IUs to establish processes for the provision of online therapy. We have three individual meetings established with other IUs (BLaST 17 - Williamsport Area, Central IU 10 - State College Area, and IU14 - Berks County).

Preschool Early Intervention

Ms. Terry Kennedy, preschool supervisor, applied for and received an Inclusion Performance Grant for 2014-2015 school year. We will continue our collaboration at Options Preschool and Day Care Program at Capital Area Children's Center (CACC) adding a 3rd inclusive classroom. Now all of the preschool classrooms at CACC are inclusive. A total of 60 children will receive services in this early childhood environment. In addition, we will collaborate with the preschool staff and families at the Naval Support Activity Child Development Center located in Mechanicsburg utilizing strategies through Positive Behavior Intervention Supports.



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Mr. Eric Bostick, preschool supervisor, is working with Dr. Tierney, developmental pediatrician from Hershey Medical Center - Penn State Children's Hospital, and our IU team to prepare for our first collaborative evaluation. The collaborative evaluation consists of concurrent work from the CAIU staff, who will do developmental testing and an ADOS (Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule) to rule out autism spectrum disorders, and Dr. Tierney, who will make medical and behavioral health recommendations.

Pupil Services/Hospital/ELECT-EFI/Homeless

Dr. Janilyn Elias, pupil services supervisor, has been partnering with Diakon Youth Center and our local districts to create an alternative program option for districts to directly refer and place students at that site for educational and mental health programming. Notification regarding the option for district referrals was disseminated the week of July 14.

R.A.V.E. 2014 (Resourceful. Adaptable. Versatile. Effective.)

The CAIU hosted the 3rd Annual Office Professional's Workshop on July 15th. Fifty-three office professionals from school districts and intermediate units attended this "action packed" day of professional development tailored directly to office professionals. Nine presenters offered a variety of small group sessions throughout the day.

NOTIFICATION OF ACTIVITIES

- Attended PASA's Women's Caucus Executive Board meeting. I was appointed as Treasurer for the Women's Caucus.
- Met with representatives from Central Penn College to finalize Mutual Aid Agreement that outlines their use of the Enola office facility as an Incident Command Center and the CAIU's use of their facility as an Evacuation site in the event of an emergency.
- Attended the face to face Data Quality Curriculum training session. Additional sessions will be completed online.
- ESY Fishing Derby will be held on July 23 at the South Middleton Park.
- The cabinet met for two days to discuss many items including business policy procedures, CAIU Technology Plan, and 2014-15 goals.
- Attended webinar on Educator Effectiveness and the PAIU-Curriculum Coordinators videoconference.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES – SAVE THE DATE

- Heather Donovan and the Carroll Elementary Preschool Staff would like to invite you to the **Preschool Graduation ceremony and End of the Year Celebration!** Dates and Times for the Celebration are as follows:

Tuesday, **July 29th** at 10:00am and 1:30pm
Wednesday, **July 30th** at 10:00am and 1:30pm



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- **18th Annual CAIU Champions for Children Golf Tournament** – Fee is \$65.00 per player. Package includes green fee, cart, refreshments, dinner and other prizes. Awards Banquet immediately following Tournament.

Where: Cumberland Golf Club
2395 Ritner Highway
Carlisle, PA 17015

When: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 (Rain or Shine)
Registration begins at 11:00AM - Shot Gun Start at 12:00PM

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