

**Department of  
Special Services  
Overview  
Part 2**

**Director: Kim Conti**

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# **Special Services Expenditures**

## **Out of District Tuitions**

**Total \$11,479,525**

**Total # of Placements**

**2021-2022- 142 Students\***

**(\*Based on #s July 1 through October 1)**

**2020-2021 -150 Students**

**Total # of placements over the last 5 years**

**2019-2020 - 160 Students**

**2018-2019 - 157 Students**

**2017-2018 - 157 Students**

**2016-2017 - 148 Students**

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**Total \$ 4,975,000**

**(Budgeted by Board Office)**

**Contracted  
Special Services  
Transportation  
(To/From Home/School)**

**Determined by the IEP team if  
transportation is needed due to disability  
or if the program is not in the home school**

**District Transportation Department  
determines the routes and assigns  
whether it will be provided via outside  
contractors or the district**

**Routes also contingent on location if there  
are other students who can share the route,  
i.e. OOD students or if the student needs  
sole transport**

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**Contract Related  
Services**

**Total \$ 2,054,054**

- **Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs), Registered Behavior Technicians (RBTs), Behavior Technicians (BTs)**
  - **Effective School Solutions**
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**Contract Related  
Services (cont.)**

- **Nursing**

**During Transportation and/or  
During School Day**

**Services are shared, if possible**

**Nurses are also contracted during  
field trips to support students with  
medical needs**

**School Nurse completes form to  
communicate any medical needs  
during transportation**

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**Contract Related  
Services (cont.)**

- **OOD Related Services, i.e. Aides, Speech-Language Services, etc.**
  - **Itinerant Teacher of the Deaf**
  - **Travel Training (Prepare students post school)**
  - **Translation Services**
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**Extra Pay  
Expenditures**

**(Hours Paid for Services Beyond  
Contract Hours)**

**Total \$ 799,046**

- **Home Instruction (District-wide)**
  - **Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)  
Providers**
  - **Behaviorists-ABA Coordinator**
  - **Community Based Instruction  
Staff**
  - **Personal/Shared Aides During  
Transportation, Extracurricular  
Activities and/or School Events**
  - **Extended School Year (ESY)**
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## **Contracted Child Study Team Evaluations**

**Total \$ 129,950**

- **Psychological, Educational, Speech-Language, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Evaluations**
  - **Neurodevelopmental, Neurological**
  - **Assistive Technology**
  - **Augmentative and Alternative Communication**
  - **Psychiatric**
  - **Bilingual**
  - **Deaf and/or Hard of Hearing**
  - **Vocational**
  - **Other Evaluations as warranted (i.e. result of litigation , such as Neuropsychological or Safety Concerns, such as Forensic Psychiatric, etc.)**
  - **Mental Health Clearance Agencies**
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**Total \$ 77,000**

**Contracted  
Special Services  
Transportation  
(Field Trips/After School  
Activities)**

- **Community Based  
Instruction Trips (During  
and After Regular Academic  
School Day)**
  - **Project Unify**
  - **Field Trips**
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**Total \$ 67,000**

**Institutional  
Instruction**

**Bedside Instruction  
(Districtwide)**

**Agency Home Instruction  
May Occur During School Day**

**Location:**

**i.e. out of district, hospital, etc.**

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**Total \$ 51,000**

**Student Related  
Services Supplies**

- **Student Technology, iPads,  
Large Screen Chromebooks, etc.**
  - **CST Evaluation Kits**
  - **Safety Equipment**
  - **FM Systems**
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**Total \$ 48,300**

## **Program Supplies**

- **Resource**
  - **Autism- Rethink**
  - **MM/LLD**
  - **Preschool**
  - **Emotional Regulation  
Impairment**
  - **Multiple Disabilities  
Impairment**
    - **CBI expenses, i.e. online  
Supports for CBI, Stop and  
Shop, etc.**
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**Special Services  
Non-Instructional  
Supplies**

**Total \$ 41,000**

**IEP Direct (Frontline)**

**Office Supplies ( i.e. Paper,  
folders, envelopes, etc.)**

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**Total \$ 20,750**

**Technology Supplies  
Instructional**

- **Chromebooks for CST and Paraprofessionals**
  - **Replace old technology & repairs**
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**Staff Development  
(In District)**

**Total \$ 16,300**

- **Assistive Technology Training**
  - **Summit Speech (i.e. training for hearing devices, audiological consulting)**
  - **Legal**
  - **NJ Crisis Assault Prevention (NJ CAP)**
  - **Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI)-Training Materials**
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**Special Services  
Travel  
Staff Development  
(Out of District)**

**Total \$ 7,000**

- **Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) -Certifications/Train the Trainers**
  - **Professional Development Workshops/Training**
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# Special Services Revenue

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## **IDEA-B Grant**

**Total \$ 2,316,640**

**IDEA-B American  
Rescue Plan (ARP)  
(one time grant due to  
Pandemic)**

**IDEA-B Grant = \$1,910,543**

**(Nonpublic share = \$16,991)**

**ARP = \$406,097**

**(Nonpublic share = \$3,431)**

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**Extraordinary Aide  
(EXAID)**

**2020 - 2021 = \$3,716,000**

**Reimbursement for  
Extraordinary Expenditures**

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**Special Education  
Medicaid Initiative  
(SEMI)**

**20-21 Target \$175,275.58**

**\*\$196,049.49 Final**

**Recovers a portion of costs for certain  
Medicaid covered services provided to  
Medicaid eligible students enrolled in NJ  
LEAs**

**Contingent on Logging Health Related  
Services**

**\*Business Office Enters Information  
regarding Medicaid Administrative  
Claiming (MAC)**

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**Total = \$22,416,870**

**LEA Funds (Local):  
\$20,120,652**

**IDEA-B Funds (Govt.):  
\$1,893,552**

**ARP-IDEA Funds (Govt.):  
\$402,666**

**ExAide and Semi do not directly  
offset Special Services Budget**

**Special Services  
Budget  
(includes non-payroll  
accounts with the  
exception of the  
extra pay accounts)**

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# Considerations

**Factors that guide the  
provision of services**

**or**

**impact department  
operations**

- **Placement/Services determined by the IEP team**
  - **NJ Special Education Code**
  - **Transfer Ins**
  - **Litigation**
  - **OOD Tuitions can increase 5% to 10% each year**
  - **Laws**
  - **Pandemic, i.e. virtual remote instruction needs (technology, evaluations by outside agencies typically conducted in district, etc.)**
  - **Staffing Shortage, i.e. comp ed, etc.**
  - **Funding**
  - **Shared Aides (may not have student to share with)**
  - **Responsible for district wide needs, i.e. home instruction, 504s, etc.**
  - **Transportation, i.e supply/demand related to bus staff shortage, sole routes, district routing, etc.**
  - **Space limitations**
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