



The UnBOCES is pleased to announce the appointment of Brittany Picard as the new Executive Director and Director of Special Education for the Uncompahgre Board of Cooperative Educational Services, which encompasses our five-member districts: Norwood, Ouray, Ridgway, Telluride, and West End School Districts. Brittany, a local resident, has collaborated with UnBOCES over the years and will officially begin her role in September 2025.

Brittany brings a strong background in special education, along with a proven ability to drive change and advocate for inclusive educational environments. She holds an Education Specialist degree and has gained extensive experience in various special education positions, demonstrating her dedication to addressing the specific challenges faced by rural districts. Her approach is grounded in systemic thinking, collaboration, and evidence-based practices, equipping her to enhance educational services for students with special needs. Brittany's leadership style prioritizes creativity and innovation, especially in rural settings where resources can be scarce. Furthermore, she has built solid relationships with her colleagues and developed effective strategies to support students with behavioral challenges, making her an excellent fit for this vital role.