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August-Special Education Board Report

**Alternative Education Update:**

Eight students attended the Alternative Program Summer School session, which was held May 31-June 30. Students worked on earning credits and credit recovery. Direct instruction time, online work, 1:1 work time, and hands-on experiences were provided which allowed the students a variety of different learning styles.

Ms. Higgins taught a direct instruction class on Shakespeare. The class focused on relating Shakespeare to today's society, learning the definition of the Old English words/phrases and analyzing the characters. The class ended with everyone attending Shakespeare on the Green, held on the UNO campus.

Mr. Fustos taught a direction instruction on Outdoor Living. The students learned to tie various knots, how to fish, and identify various fish and shrubs. The students also learned how to clean, fillet and cook fish. The class ended with a meal all prepared with the students' help. The students enjoyed knowing they could catch and fix a meal on their own.

The date for the Student/Parent Orientation will be Tuesday, August 16, at 6:00 p.m. at the Progress Learning Center Building.

**PMIC:**

Summer School Overview:

[PMIC Summer School](#)

Summary of 2015-1016 PMIC School Year

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**Special Education Update:**

All three special education teacher positions have been filled: Bradley Shain will be a .6 High School Instructional Strategies Levels 2-3, Erika Dukes will be a Middle School Instructional Strategist-Level 1, and Megan Newberry will be at West Elementary as an Instructional Strategies Levels 2-3. All three of these teachers will bring a variety of knowledge and background to help our students succeed.

We are in the process of hiring special education associates. We have offered three associate positions for the 2016-17 school year. There are still 3 positions open.

Extended School Year Services for students are still in session simultaneously with the district summer school, classes will end on August 11.

CPI Training- Will take place at the Middle School on August 15-17. There are currently 75 that will attend. This training will be for special education associates and transportation aids.

