

About CSPD

Montana CSPD is a unified personnel development system that ensures quality outcomes for All children and youth.

To this end, the mission of CSPD is to value and promote quality education programs and services that:

- are proactive and flexible in meeting the needs of all children and youth
- are unified and integrated through a partnership of families, schools, agencies, and communities
- promote interdisciplinary professional development
- ensure success for all by providing a safe and healthy environment that builds a sense of belonging and value for self and others
- evaluate and disseminate best practices (evidence based/research based) and achievements through ongoing high-quality professional development
- encourage sensitivity to individual differences by recognizing cultural and ethnic diversity
- support recruitment and retention of high quality educational personnel
- are designed to meet individual needs delivered through personalized, accessible and practical formats to ensure continuous growth.
- are based on the use of current, relevant data to help establish professional development activities

Stakeholders

The Region III CSPD Council is composed of diverse stakeholders including:

- Public Education
 - K-12 Educators
 - Pre-school Educators
 - School Administrators
 - Paraeducators
 - Related Service Providers
- Community Based Organizations
- Early Intervention and Part C
- Education Service Providers
- Families and Parents
- Institutions of Higher Education
- Native American Education
- Professional Advocacy Organizations
- State Agencies

Recognition

Every year, each CSPD region offers the following awards to persons from their region who have demonstrated outstanding service:

- Teri Fisk Paraeducator of the Year
- Paraeducator/Teacher Team of the Year

All award winners are recognized at the annual Montana Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC) Conference.

Contact Information

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