SpEd Data

In Garden Valley, Special Ed has historically had numbers that are higher than average. Higher than average numbers in isolated rural locations is not uncommon. Garden Valley currently has no outside services, therapies, and/or supports which cause families to drive to the valley to access these services or do without. For quite a few students in Garden Valley, the school is the only access they have to necessary services which include but is not limited to: Speech and/or Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Behavioral Intervention, Habilitative Intervention, Community-Based Related Services, Social-Emotional Learning, and/or Academic Interventions.

The current caseload is slightly lower than the previous year however, the intensity and level of needs of our students continues to be fairly high. Garden Valley currently has 12 students who have intensive behaviors that require one-on-one support for part, if not the entire day. COVID has also caused an increase in our student population as we saw additional families move into the community. This year, we were expecting to see a drastic decrease however, we didn't. The SpEd Team has been able to be creative in providing supports for the students to ensure the maximum level of success for each individual student.

Although the majority of our students have moved into Garden Valley with existing IEP's we are seeing an increase of internal referrals, especially at the lower grade levels. Garden Valley must also combat a fairly mobile population. Our current caseload is at 55 students however, with students moving in and out of the district this number will change frequently throughout the year.











