



Director's Report

April 9, 2025

Student Enrollment: 203

Program Referrals: All programs have active referrals.

Staffing: We currently have ASL interpreter positions open in the CAPS DHHP middle and high school programs in Newton. We have a long-term substitute teaching position open in the Kelly Day School and a long-term substitute teaching position at the Gateway School.

Contracted Services Availability: The CAPS AAC/AT department is available for evaluation and consultation. CAPS School psychologist is available to complete assessments.

Collaborative Agreement: After the second board vote in March the amended draft Collaborative Agreement is being reviewed by member school committees for approval. Once 60% of member districts have approved the amended Collaborative Agreement it will be submitted to DESE with the required documentation for final review and approval by the Commissioner. Changes to the agreement include the addition of the Wachusett Regional School District as a member and adult day program services.

Space: We are finalizing floor plans for the potential new space for our Senators Program and potential Community-Based Adult Day program. We are expecting a draft lease soon and will schedule a facilities subcommittee meeting for review.

Policies: The CAPS Collaborative Policy Subcommittee met on March 27th to review the Wellness, Sexual Harassment, and Title IX policies. CAPS is exploring utilizing MASC's Policy Twenty-One service.

Board Appointments: Please remember that Board Appointments to CAPS Collaborative should be voted at school committee meetings in May or June to ensure that we can begin the 2025/2026 school year with a full board.

Upcoming Events:

- DHHP End of Year Celebration 5/21/2025
- Step Program Graduation 6/5/2025
- Gateway School Graduation

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