

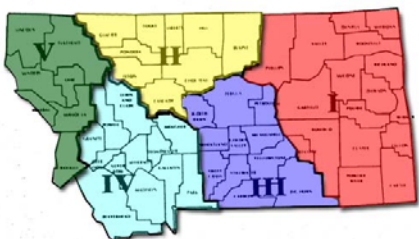
Montana CSPD

Special Education law required states to have Comprehensive Systems of Personnel Development (CSPD) from 1975 to 2004. When the Individuals with Disabilities Act was reauthorized in 2004 states were no longer required to include CSPD in their state laws. However, the Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) felt confident in Montana CSPD's ability to provide professional development and included CSPD as Montana Administrative Rule (ARM) number 10.16.3135 in the Montana State IDEA Plan. Montana's CSPD works to ensure that all education personnel are adequately prepared and receive continuing education.

Serving Region III Counties:

- Big Horn
- Carbon
- Fergus
- Golden Valley
- Judith Basin
- Musselshell
- Petroleum
- Stillwater
- Sweet Grass
- Wheatland
- Yellowstone

Montana CSPD Regions



Region III CSPD is housed at:

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Comprehensive System of Personnel Development CSPD

For Region III Educators

**Working to
Enhance Montana's
Educational Community**



Supporting Diversity—Creating Opportunity

This brochure is available in alternative formats upon request.

Region III Comprehensive System of Personnel Development



Services

CSPD's mission is to value and promote services that:

- are proactive and flexible in meeting the needs of all children and youth
- 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 and achievements through ongoing high-quality professional development
- encourage sensitivity to individual differences with recognition of cultural and ethnic diversity
- are unified and integrated through a partnership of families, schools, agencies and communities
- support recruitment and retention of high-quality educational personnel
- are seen as a series of interdependent stages of continuous growth for personnel and
- are designed to meet individual needs delivered through personalized, accessible and practical formats.

Funding for Region III CSPD is provided by the Montana Office of Public Instruction

Recent Events

- Response to Intervention
- Teaching Phonological Awareness & Phonics
- Learning Strategies
- DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills)
- AIMSweb
- Supporting Tough Kids at the Elementary Level
- Physical and Intellectual Development in Pre-School Children

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

Contact Information

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Council Members

For a listing of Region III CSPD Council Members, please check the members page on our web site.

Web Sites

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www.opi.mt.gov