

SOUTHERN PENOBSCOT REGIONAL PROGRAM

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

JANUARY, 2012

ENROLLMENT

Forty-two students are enrolled at the SPRP. Currently, RSU 34 has four students receiving their education at the SPRP.

I am not able to attend this month's meeting as I am participating in an advanced training for the Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Program. This program is used for de-escalation and, as a last resort, physical restraint in crisis situations. As I have shared with you, Chapter 33(DOE's rules for Seclusion/Time Out and Restraint) are currently being revised. The proposed revisions require a cumulative report by each school building in school districts be made to the superintendent quarterly and on an annual basis. These would include the number of restraints and seclusions, number of students restrained and secluded, and the number of bodily injuries to staff and students related to restraint or seclusion. The DOE could request these reports at any time. These proposed rules would then require the superintendent to review these reports and identify areas that can be addressed to reduce the future use of restraint and seclusion. We are already collecting this information and reviewing it on a quarterly basis at faculty meetings. I would like to share with you how we do this and what we report at an upcoming meeting.

Please feel free to stop in and see us anytime you are in the area!

**Respectfully submitted by,
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