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Photo included of new location

Relocation of Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education Offices

Oct. 4, 2021 - Douglas Education Service District's Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education administrative offices in Jackson County have relocated to 640 Superior Ct. in Medford. Signage will be added to the new building location. The classrooms are still at their current locations.

Quality services will continue to be provided for children ages birth through 5 that include: developmental screenings and evaluations; support and education for children who experience developmental delays or special needs; parent coaching and training. All services are provided at no cost to children and families.

Skilled and caring speech and language pathologists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, special educators, community and family engagement specialists, autism consultants and vision and hearing specialists provide the services.

Ana Mannenbach, PT, DPT is a newly hired coordinator who supports the evaluation team and specialists. Darcy Larson, MA, continues to serve as the coordinator for Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) and is working towards increasing service levels for children ages 3 to 5. Stacy Inman, MS, coordinates the Early Intervention (EI) teams.

"We are looking forward to expanding our services and continuing to support the children and families in Jackson County. We appreciate how centralized our new office location is within the community and are hopeful that we can further increase our outreach and partnerships," says Stacy Inman, Douglas ESD Early Intervention coordinator.

"Funding provided from the Student Success Act allowed Douglas Education Service District to hire more people in Jackson County to serve even more families with young children. Relocating to a new building provides the growing room needed to continue providing important early intervention and early childhood special education programs to families," says Michael Lasher Douglas Education Service District superintendent. "An investment in children ages birth

to 5 helps ensure that students will enter school ready to learn. We want families to know we're here for them.”

For people interested in working with young children in Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education, please visit the job listings at www.douglasesd.k12.or.us/jobs. Many positions offer schedules that coincide with the school year that include time off during school holidays and in the summer.

For more information, please phone 541-494-7800 or visit www.douglasesd.k12.or.us/early-intervention-early-childhood-special-education-ei-ecse