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Date: November 18, 2026

Subject: Parent Notification: Preschool IDEA Monitoring – Supportive Technical Assistance Review (STAR)

Dear Preschool Families,

We are writing to inform you that the Western Reserve Preschool has been selected by the Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY), to participate in Preschool IDEA Monitoring through a Supportive Technical Assistance Review (STAR), conducted in partnership with the Supportive Technical Assistance Team.

What is the Preschool IDEA Monitoring STAR Process?
As part of the Preschool IDEA Monitoring Supportive Technical Assistance Review (STAR), our educational agency will examine whether our preschool special education program and services are compliant with federal and state regulations under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The STAR activities focus on identifying specific preschool special education practices and evaluating the overall quality of our program delivery. This collaborative work helps us identify which practices are making a positive impact and pinpoint areas where improvements can be made to deliver more refined services that lead to increased positive student outcomes.

What Does This Mean for Your Child?
Your child's daily classroom routine, Individualized Education Program (IEP) services, and supports will continue without interruption. As part of the review, the Supportive Technical Assistance Team and district staff may review program documentation, examine student records, or observe preschool classrooms to ensure we are providing high-quality early childhood special education.

Questions or Feedback
We value your partnership and welcome any questions, comments, or feedback you may have regarding our preschool special education program or the STAR monitoring process. Please feel free to reach out directly to our district point of contact:

- District Point of Contact: Lisa Muenz, Director of Special Education / Preschool Supervisor
- Phone: 419-668-8470 ext: 4002
- Email: lmuenz@western-reserve.org

A copy of this notification is also posted on our website at Western Reserve Local Schools for your reference. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education!

Sincerely,
Lisa Muenz
Director of Special Education / Preschool Supervisor
Western Reserve Local Schools