Division of Elementary and Secondary Education - Special Education Unit Advisory Council for the Education of Children with Disabilities IDEA Data & Research, October 2020

Training

- o August
 - Two webinars on the required data reporting elements for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - Multiple one-on-one virtual data entry trainings for data entry staff on the use of the special education modules in eSchool.
- September
 - Four webinars on the required data reporting elements for the 2020-2021 school year.

Activities

- eSchool User Guides and Data Dictionaries were updated.
- Cycle 7 review completed. Referral tracking will not close until October 31st.
- o Final cleanup of data for the November federal data submission is underway.
- o DATA Talk season 4 is coming soon.

IT Team

- o Completed the Server Migration
- Updated MySped Resource for monitoring, finance, and student data applications for the 2020-2021 school year.
- o Prepare data sets to submit to the US Department of Education.

Meetings/Conferences/Webinars attended

- o Dr. Fields participated in the monthly Part B Data Manager conference calls.
- Dr. Fields participated in the monthly Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)
 Technical Assistance calls.
- Dr. Fields participated in the monthly Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) data reporting meetings with Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) staff from the offices of Assessment, Accountability, Research and Technology, and the UA Office of Innovation for Education.
- Dr. Fields participated in the stakeholder advisory group virtual meeting for the National Center for Educational Outcomes in Washington, DC.
- o Dr. Fields virtually attended the EDFacts Conference.
- Dr. Fields and Ms. Wright virtually attended the Local Education Agency (LEA) Academy.
- Dr. Fields and Ms. Wright virtually attended the National Association of State Directors of Special Education (NASDSE) Conference.
- Ms. Wright presented at the NASDSE Virtually Conference.