

## Agency staff members assigned to the West Branch Community School District include:

Assignment of agency staff to the district is based on an equity formula along with a district service plan, which is prepared following discussions between agency staff and district leadership. The service plan outlines assistance the district needs. It serves as a working document to guide the agency in providing people and services to meet those needs.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES- SERVING CHILDREN K-12

**Special Education Consultant**  
Su Groff-VanArendonk

**School Psychologist**  
Greg Feldmann  
Mary Beth Ross

**Speech Language Pathologist**  
Maggie McConnell

**Occupational Therapist**  
Carole Martin

**Physical Therapist**  
Glen Schmitz

**Audiologist**  
Nonalee Gardner

**Audiometrist**  
Joan VanBerkum

**Itinerant Hearing Teacher**  
Kathy Juba

### EARLY ACCESS / EARLY CHILDHOOD TEAM—SERVING CHILDREN BIRTH-3 OR 3-5

**Curriculum Consultant**  
Mary Airy

**EC Education Specialist**  
Melanie Reese

**Itinerant Preschool Teacher**  
Pat Boeding

**School Psychologist**  
De Wagner

**Speech Language Pathologist**  
Maggie McConnell

**Occupational Therapist**  
Linnea Starkey

**Physical Therapist**  
Marilyn Muhle

### CONTENT CONSULTANTS

**Autism Consultant**  
Jessica Beem

**Literacy Consultant**  
Myrissa Gingerich

**Math Consultant**  
Chuck Gustafson

**Science Consultant**  
Steve Bartlett

**Technology Consultant**  
Tony Amsler

## Grant Wood AEA staff available to every school district in AEA 10

**Adapted Physical Education**  
Ann Griffin

**Assistive Technology**  
Julie Freed

**Autism Early Access Services 0-2 yrs**  
Wendi Kaiser

**Behavior Analyst/Challenging Behavior Consultant**  
Lindsay Stangeland

**Behavior Consultant**  
Jayme Mews

**Brain Injury Resource Team**  
Kelley Martin

**Communications**  
George Held

**Competent Private Instruction (CPI)**  
• Home School Assistance  
• ITBS

Brad Colton

**Creative Services**  
Tara Johannsen

**Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)**

Jill Weigel

**Early ACCESS**  
Jeanie Wade-Nagle

**Early Childhood Professional Dev.**  
Mary Airy  
Sue Lovik  
Melanie Reese

**E-Rate/Universal Service Fund**  
Ed Gamba

**English Language Learners**  
Lynn Tiemann

**Finance/Payroll Services, PowerSchool**  
Dave Brouard

**High School Reform**  
Keith Stamp

**Instructional Decision-Making**  
Michelle Heiserman  
Tracy Liebermann

**Iowa Core**  
Myra Hall

**Learning Supports/Olweus**  
Christine Allen  
Michele Pettit

**Mentoring and Induction**  
Kim Owen  
Emily Thomson  
Mary Andres

**Off-Site Programs**  
Jim Barth  
Bob Lehman

**PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports)**  
Tammy Beener  
Mary Andres

**Parent Education Partner (PEP)**  
Sara Kane  
Liz Hooley

**PEP Assistant**  
Susan Curtland

**Talented & Gifted**  
Heather Feuerhelm

**Technology - 21st C. Learning Institute**  
Stacy Behmer

**Transition**  
Mary Crandall  
Jill Ries

**Van Allen Science Teaching Center**  
Erica Larson

### Grant Wood AEA Board Member



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# Grant Wood AEA Profile of Services West Branch Community School District



"Helping establish a high school Lifeskills program, assessments for IEP re-evaluations, assistance with writing IEP's."  
**SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER\***

"Services are at my fingertips, easy to communicate with, offer many various tools and programs."  
**TEACHER\***

"The OT, PT, and SLP are very helpful with giving ideas and providing support for working with our special needs children."  
**TEACHER\***

"I appreciate the C21 Technology cohort and consultants so much. If we are going to expect our students to be secure in 21st Century Skills, then we'd better make sure we can instruct them accordingly. I also appreciate the consultant who helps us with our building-wide PD. She is very upbeat, and positive, and understands that the ideas and interventions she provides have to be manageable for an already over worked educator."  
**TEACHER\***



\*Comments from West Branch CSD Staff

OUR MISSION: TO ENSURE SUCCESS FOR ALL LEARNERS.



GRANT WOOD  
AREA EDUCATION AGENCY



# Grant Wood AEA Profile of Services

## West Branch Community School District

Grant Wood AEA provides many services to the school districts. State law requires the AEA to provide the following nine key areas of service:

- support and expertise on best practices in both content and skill areas to improve learning and achievement for children from birth to age 5 and for students in grades K-12.
- print and nonprint instructional materials for classrooms and school media centers, and assist teachers with developing their own materials. Consultants from the GWAEA Media and Technology Center support media center management through workshops and consultation.
- workshops, courses, materials and on-going consultation for the professional development of school administrators, teachers, counselors, media specialists, and support staff.
- leadership services that assist with the recruitment, induction, retention, and professional development of educational leaders.

| 2010-2011   | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Student Enrollment for 2010-11 (BEDS data)  | 65,912               | 813                | 1.2%                         |
| Special Education Students (Ages 3 to 21, Including Instructional and Support Services) | 9,080                | 107                | 1.2%                         |

| FISCAL RECAP  | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| 2010-11 School Year Dollars Allocated to AEA 10 for Support Services to the District for Special Education, Media, Technology, and Educational Services | \$46,620,300         | \$324,731          | 0.7%                         |

| CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT/ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT                   | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| District Received Literacy Support Services  | 29                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Reading Recovery Number of Continuing Contact Teachers Trained                     | 64                   | 0                  | NA                           |
| Reading Recovery Number of Students Served   | 497                  | 0                  | NA                           |
| Support for District Reading/Language Arts Professional Development                | 20                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| District Received Support for Reading/Language Arts Professional Development       | 17                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Number of Participants in Teaching for Mathematics Understanding 6-12 Year 2       | 100                  | 0                  | NA                           |
| District Received Support for District Math Professional Development               | 11                   | 0                  | NA                           |
| District Received Support for District Science Professional Development            | 32                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Number of V.A.S.T. Center* Science Curriculum Modules Circulated                   | 3,446                | 30                 | 0.9%                         |
| Number of Teachers Using Science Curriculum Modules in Their Classroom             | 1,275                | 14                 | 1.1%                         |
| Number of Teachers Attending Level One V.A.S.T. Science Curriculum Module Training | 701                  | 6                  | 0.9%                         |
| Number of V.A.S.T. Center Teacher Leaders: Science Curriculum Module Facilitators  | 60                   | 0                  | NA                           |
| Participated in Iowa Core Professional Learning through Grant Wood AEA             | 32                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Number of District Staff Participating in Mentoring and Induction Program          | 36                   | 4                  | 11.1%                        |
| Number of District Staff Participating in Professional Development through GWAEA** | 3,803                | 60                 | 1.6%                         |

\*Van Allen Science Teaching Center \*\*Some educators take multiple classes

| INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA  | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Number of DVDs & Videos Circulated Last Year                 | 54,524               | 637                | 1.2%                         |
| Number of Professional Collection Items Circulated Last Year | 5,904                | 168                | 2.8%                         |
| Number of Classroom Collection Items Circulated Last Year    | 11,076               | 231                | 2.1%                         |
| Number of K-12 Books Circulated Last Year                    | 11,692               | 135                | 1.2%                         |
| Number of Boxed Book Sets Circulated Last Year               | 6,278                | 23                 | 0.4%                         |
| Number of Printing Impressions Produced for School Districts | 2,502,462            | 50,289             | 2.0%                         |

| LEADERSHIP  | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Number of Staff Participating in Contemporary School Leadership | 34                   | 2                  | 5.9%                         |

| MULTICULTURAL, GENDER-FAIR                | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Learning Supports Training & Consultation | 18                   | Yes                | NA                           |

| SCHOOL-COMMUNITY PLANNING  | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| District Used Consultation and/or Services to School District's Board        | 0                    | No                 | NA                           |
| District Received Agency Assistance in School Improvement Advisory Committee | 21                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| District Received Agency Assistance in Its CSIP Planning Process             | 24                   | Yes                | NA                           |

| SCHOOL MANAGEMENT  | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| 2010-11 School Year Budget Consulting                                  | 24                   | 0                  | NA                           |
| Used Accounting and/or Payroll Services                                | 19                   | No                 | NA                           |
| On-Line Assessment System Data Training and/or Data Imported           | 33                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Used Centerpoint and Other Student Systems Supported by Grant Wood AEA | 28                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Total Amount of Cooperative Purchases Made Through IEC*                | \$3,765,334          | \$22,729           | 0.6%                         |
| Total Savings on Cooperative Purchases                                 | \$797,119            | \$5,395            | 0.7%                         |
| Used Services of the CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management) Team   | 6                    | Yes                | NA                           |

\* Iowa Educators Consortium - an AEA Initiative

| SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY   | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Percent of Savings from IEC Purchases   | 21.2%                | 23.7%              | NA                           |
| District Used GWAEA for Internet Connection   | 29                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| District Used GWAEA for Email   | 10                   | No                 | NA                           |
| Participated in Technology Integration and/or E2T2 Projects   | 32                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Received Technology Planning/Consultation   | 32                   | Yes                | NA                           |
| Number of AEA Online Resources Usages (AP Images/AccuWeather, Atomic Learning, DE streaming, EBSCOhost, iCLIPART For Schools, Learn360, SIRS Issues Researcher, World Book Web) | 1,874,242            | 29,962             | 1.6%                         |
| Number of GWAEA Online Resources Usages (Art Museum Image Gallery, netTrekker, soundzabound, Teen Health & Wellness, Wilson)  | 787,499              | 7,217              | 0.9%                         |

| SERVICES FOR DIVERSE LEARNERS                             | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Number of Children Receiving Hearing Screenings           | 22,776               | 251                | 1.1%                         |
| Number of Children Receiving Diagnostic Hearing Tests     | 3,815                | 29                 | 0.8%                         |
| Number of Children Receiving Medical Referrals on Hearing | 1,126                | 6                  | 0.5%                         |
| Number of Assistive Technology Items Circulated Last Year | 605                  | 20                 | 3.3%                         |
| Career Connections Program                                | 19                   | Yes                | NA                           |

Approximately 75 percent of the agency's funding goes to support various aspects of special education. All districts have access to the agency's special education services, which include speech and language pathologists, occupational and physical therapists, school psychologists, social workers and special education consultants. Services are provided depending on student needs.

Nearly 30 percent of the agency's staff members are assigned to specific school districts and work directly with children as an integral part of the local school staff. Other staff serve schools on a consultant or itinerant basis, offer professional development, or put schools in touch with other persons, agencies or materials that meet the schools' needs.

| Services for High Need/Unique Needs Children                  | 10-11<br>GWAEA Total | School<br>District | District's % of<br>Total AEA |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| - GWAEA Life Skills   | 6                    | 0                  | NA                           |
| - V.I.T.A.L.  | 21                   | 0                  | NA                           |
| - S.E.A.D. (Students with Emotional and Autistic Disorders)   | 7                    | 0                  | NA                           |
| - Behavior Learning Center                                    | 5                    | 0                  | NA                           |
| - Shelter Classrooms (Foundation II, Youth Emergency Shelter) | 21                   | 0                  | NA                           |
| - AWARE   | 4                    | 0                  | NA                           |

- services that assist schools and school districts to ensure supportive learning environments for all students.
- support to public and nonpublic schools to strengthen their School Improvement processes and plans, to communicate with families and communities, and to partner with others for the sake of children and the community.
- support and interim management of school administrative functions, particularly with school planning, legal issues, recruitment, communication, and business operations.
- assistance with technology planning and training, cooperative purchasing of equipment and software, networking, integration with curriculum and instruction, duplication services, distance learning, and technology funding.
- specialized services for children and students with diverse learning needs, including identification, diagnosis, planning and therapies for those with disabilities. Children from birth to age 21 are included. Whenever feasible, schools are encouraged and assisted with including all children in their neighborhood school and regular education classrooms.

