

## **Southeast Polk Community School District Special Education Department Goals**

The Southeast Polk Special Education Department works to support the obtainment of the district's mission; which is to, "Engage all students in learning a challenging curriculum delivered through quality instruction." The special education department supports this mission by focusing on the areas listed below.

- Provide high quality, research or evidence-based instruction resulting in increased student achievement and the reduction or elimination for needing special education services.
- Deliver instruction aligned to the core curriculum and grade level standards.
- Identify student's unique educational needs and provide services aligned to those needs.
- Collaboratively work as a team (special education teachers, general education teachers, administrators, associates, AEA staff, parents, etc.) to meet student's educational needs.
- Maintain high expectations; which encourage, challenge, and assist students to perform to the best of their ability.
- Actively promote and support student engagement in the pursuit of increasing each student's independence.
- Closely monitor each student's educational progress and make instructional or program adjustments, as needed, to support his/her success.
- Engage in continuous professional development and program improvement focused on increasing student learning.
- Provide targeted IEP transition services to assist students in successfully transitioning from high school to the adult world.