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Dear Keystone Paraeducator,

Welcome back to a NEW year for Keystone. Our returning paras will see many changes in the Keystone office. Besides a change in administrators: Dr. Tim Marshall, Executive Director, Rhonda Denning, Director of Special Education, and Dr. Rob Little, Assistant Director of Special Education the Business department has changed several personnel. Nicole Hill is now the Purchasing Clerk, and Brenda Billings is Accounts Billings Clerk.

Keystone is fortunate to have so many talented individuals working for this organization. Our students continue to experience an excellent education due to the work of our staff. Our teaching staff, including paras make this organization the leader that we are. We are known for our innovative practices and creativity. Parents have high regards for the education their children receive. We often hear comments about the success of a child is due to the work of the special education staff. You make Keystone one of the leading educational institutions within the State.

For those new personnel, Keystone Learning Services was previously known as Northeast Kansas Educational Service Center. We are one of seven Service Centers in the State of Kansas. Service Centers provide support to school districts through multiple programs. Keystone provides special education cooperative to seven school districts in Jefferson County (Jefferson North-#339, Jefferson West-#340, McLouth-#342, Oskaloosa - #341, Perry-Lecompton-#343, Valley Falls-#338) and Atchison County Community Schools in Atchison County. Keystone also provides an alternate middle/high school for those school districts in our service center. John Dewey Academy (JDLA) is a nationally recognized service school. Our early childhood programs provide services to nine counties in northeast Kansas through our Parents as Teachers and tiny-K programs. Keystone also supplies a computer generated IEP program -WebKIDDS that is used across the state. Keystone also manage three State grants from the Kansas State Department of Education. Keystone assists not only our seven school districts but other school districts in ordering supplies and materials at a reduced amount. Our computer services also extend to providing technical support to northeast Kansas. As you can see we have a lot going here.

This notebook is yours to use during the current school year 2010-11. We continue to strive to improve ourselves, so please note the numerous changes to this notebook.

We look forward to another great year.

Keystone Administrative Staff

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