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## Administration - Director's Office, Assistant Directors, Legal Counsel, Data Manager and Medicaid

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| Vacant           | Assistant Director-<br>Monitoring Services and<br>Supports             |                                  | IDEA Comprehensive Monitoring System: Selective Reviews, Onsite Reviews and Compliance Indicator Reviews; Ohio Longitudinal Transition Study (OLTS); ODRC & ODYS; SPP/APR Indicators 1, 2, 4a, 4b, 9, 10, 13 & 14; Employment First; School Justice Partnership-Model Discipline Policy  |
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| WARD, JO HANNAH  | Assistant Director-Resource<br>Management                              | johannah.ward@education.ohio.gov | SPDG; ARRA-IDEA; IDEA Grants and Discretionary Projects; School Psychology Intern Grants; CCIP; IDEA Part B Allocations; Medicaid Schools Program (MSP); Gifted Funding; Gifted Education; Gifted Monitoring; State Consortium for Redesigning Preservice Special Education Preparation; IDEA Maintenance of Effort (MOE); Indicators 8, 15 & 20; SST Funding; Seclusion & Restraint                       |

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## Monitoring Services and Supports - IDEA Monitoring, LEA Determinations and Special Education Profile

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|------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
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### Procedural Safeguards: Dispute Resolution System - Complaints, Mediation, Due Process, IEP Facilitation

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### Resource Management - IDEA Part B Funds, Grants and Projects

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*Supports and Services for Diverse Learners: Implementation of Ohio's new Learning Standards, Next Generation Assessments and Differentiated Instruction for students with disabilities and students who are gifted*

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|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
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| PEARSON, ROSEMARY | Intermittent Education Consultant - Gifted                              | rosemary.pearson@education.ohio.gov | Gifted and Twice Exceptional Children; Gifted Identification Plans; Written Education Plans (WEPs); Gifted Compliance  |
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