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TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs
Preschool Coordinators, Exceptional Children Programs

FROM: Sherry Thomas, Exceptional Children Division *ST*
Dan Tetreault, Office of Early Learning (Pre-K – Grade 3) *DT*

RE: New Preschool Exceptional Children Consultant

The Office of Early Learning and the Exceptional Children Division are pleased to announce the addition of Dr. Dawn Meskil as a new Preschool Exceptional Children consultant. Dawn will take the lead in the review of the 619 Preschool Grants, budgets, and amendments in addition to variety of other assignments related to the preschool exceptional children program.

Prior to assuming this responsibility, Dawn served as the Director of the Preschool Program in Asheville City Schools where she provided oversight for program development and implementation. The Preschool Program leveraged several program and funding partnerships to provide inclusive classrooms including Exceptional Children, NC PreK, Developmental Day, Title I, Head Start, Child Care Subsidy and Private Pay Tuition. Dawn also led the implementation and scale up of of the Preschool Pyramid Model and spearheaded the creation of the Asheville Primary School, a Montessori Magnet School. Dawn can be reached at dawn.meskil@dpi.nc.gov or 828-649-5290.

If you have any questions please contact Dawn, or Dr. Vivian James at vivian.james@dpi.nc.gov or 919-218-8384.

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