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<b>Big Country Educational Cooperative</b>	Provide Itinerant resource services including special education and consultation services.	1989	17	No	7 FTE	Provide all necessary personnel
<b>Big Sky Special Needs Cooprtive</b>	To support special education services with related services personnel to our member districts across a four county area.	1980	21 member school, 7attendance centers	yes	19 FTE	School Pyschs, SLPs, Itinerant teachers, Behavoirst,OT, and SpEd Dir. Travel to the schools on an on-going as needed basis.
<b>Central Montana Learning Resource Center Co-op CMLRCC</b>	CMLRCC provides special education services, both instructional and related services such as speech therapy ,school psychologist, Occupational and Physical therapists services, and adaptive PE services, and itinerant resources teacher services.	1977	6 counties	Yes	18.2 FTE	Staffing varies based upon the task assigned . Resource staff, speech therapists, and school psychologist serve specific school in the co-op area. Adaptive PE and office staff serve all schools. PT and PT services are on a contractual basis with OT serving the entire co-op area and PT serving three geographic areas centered around local hospitals.
<b>Computer Distribution Program</b>	Support technology program for public and private schools.	2001	one	No		
<b>CSPD Region 4</b>	The purpose of CSPD Council is to provide professional development for the teacher, paraprofessionals, and other personnel working with children in the region. We have several community partnerships and provide training and workshops for other agencies besides the public schools.	10 years ago	5	yes	.25FTE	We have a part-time coordinator for the region and two co-chairs who share the other duties. We answer to a council consisting of approximately 20 people and the decisions are made as a group.
<b>Eastern Yellowstone Coop</b>	Primarily special education - speech, occupational, physical and psych. therapies; assess mental evaluations ,in-service ,program supervision.	late 70's	22 ?	Yes	12 FTE	Speech and Psych. assigned to specific districts; remainder of staff as needed.
<b>Flathead County Autism Program</b>	Provide special services required for severely autistic children (elem)	2001	All districts within Flathead County	Yes		1FTE Teacher, .5fte Speech Therapist, .5fte Director, 5 aides
<b>Flathead County Day Treatment Program</b>	Provides educational and Therapeutic treatment to elementary students severe behavioral disorders or are emotionally disturbed.	1995	All districts within Flathead County	Yes	n/a	n/a
<b>Flathead County Calendar Committee</b>	Try to coordinate a countywide calendar.	1991	All schools in Flathead County	No		Coordination provided by Flathead County Supt. of Schools
<b>Flathead County Election Training</b>	Provide training to election judges and Information to the public on the election changes. This will be one year only program.	2004	All of Flathead County	No		

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<b>Gallatin Madison Cooperative, CSPD, Medicaid Consortium, Extended School Year Consortium</b>	I have been the lead administrator for the 4 programs listed above encompassing Belgrade, Bozeman, Park Gallatin Madison Coop, Three Forks and Manhattan and Region 5 of CSPD. Each consortium provides services in Special Ed, Medicaid Billing, Personnel Development, and summer services for special ed, students.	past 2 decades	6	Yes		
<b>Great Divide Education services</b>	Full service education cooperative serving seven counties and 27 school districts in southwestern Montana.	1976	n/a	yes	14 FTE	The cooperative employs certified and licensed professionals to provide all special education services to the students identified as disabled in all our member schools.
<b>Hill County Rural Schools</b>	Purchase materials/services otherwise economically unavailable	1986	one	No		County Superintendents serves as liaison to districts/purchases materials or arranges for training for education staff.
<b>Interlocal Agreement between Columbia Falls and Swan River Schools</b>	Provide special Ed. services to Swan River Students.	2002	Two School districts	Yes	0.5 FTE	N/A
<b>Interlocal Agreement for Special Education services between Columbia Falls and West Glacier School districts</b>	Agreement so that special Ed. students in West Glacier receive services from Columbia Falls special Ed staff or students needing counseling receive services from Columbia Falls Counselor	2000	2 West Glacier Elementary District and Columbia Falls District	No		Columbia Falls provides counseling and special ed. staff as needed to West Glacier on a cost reimbursement basis.
<b>Interlocal Agreement for Transportation Services</b>	Cooperatively bus students from Essex to Columbia Falls School District.	1985	2 West Glacier Elementary District and Columbia Falls District	No	n/a	n/a
<b>LEPC ( Local emergency preparedness committee)</b>	Provide for the health and safety for citizens of Hill County in case of a man-made or natural disaster.	2002	one	Yes	2FTE	Executive Director and Nurse Assistant
<b>Missoula County Curriculum Consortium</b>	Collaborate on K-12 curriculum development, student assessment, and professional development services where appropriate.	1991	N/A	N/A	N/A	Annual fee services contract with a curriculum consultant (approx. 5 FTE) MCPS Elem. and High school districts are Consortium members, and have their own Assistant Supt. for Curriculum and Coordinator, yet collaborate with the other Consortium schools.

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<b>Missoula Area Education Cooperative</b>	Special Education support staff to member school districts; Consultation to member schools on legal aspects of special education ; professional development on best practices.	1970's	15 school districts	Yes	18.6 FTE	N/A
<b>Montana Small Schools Alliance, Professional Development and Curriculum Consortium</b>	Provide high quality professional development, aligning development curriculum instruction and assessment to state standards.	2000	5	Yes	3/4 FTE	1/3 times director 1/4 times support staff
<b>NW MESA ( Montana Educational Service Area)</b>	Share resources and expertise	1993	one	Yes	1.5 FTE	Called NW Curriculum Cooperative Division. Receives services from the Flathead Co. Supt.. of schools. Staff of 4.
<b>NW Montana Data Warehouse Consortium</b>	Provide data warehouse capabilities for participating districts in a cost effective manner.	2003	All of NW Montana 9 districts	No		1 contracted person to work on data-warehouse will allow participating districts to more accurate target programs to meet student needs and requirements of NCLB.
<b>PIR Network</b>	Provide both County and coordination of PIR offered at individual schools to teachers on a countywide basis.	1991	1 countywide	No		Coordinated by PIR Net member districts
<b>Prairie View Special Services Cooperative (PVSSC)</b>	<b>Curriculum Consortium:</b> In addition, PVSSC has a curriculum consortium with membership throughout Eastern Montana.	1999			The curriculum consortium contracts with a curriculum director.	
<b>Prairie View Special Services Cooperative (PVSSC)</b>	<b>Distance Learning:</b> Prairie View also provides ITV instructional services in Spanish and fiscal management services for Art instruction from Richey Schools. PVSSC also services as the fiscal agent for, and is a member of, the Eastern Montana Educational Telecommunication (EMET) consortium.	1998			1.0 FTE Spanish Instructor	Our Spanish teacher lives in Glendive and reports to the ITV studio in our office M-F to provide instruction to her 116 students located in nine districts.

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<b>Prairie View Special Services Cooperative (PVSSC)</b>	<b>Fiscal Management and Professional Development:</b> PVSSC has served as the fiscal agent for and participated on, the Region I CSPD Committee since the inception of the Region I Committee in 1993.	1993				
<b>Prairie View Special Services Cooperative (PVSSC)</b>	<b>Special Education:</b> PVSSC provides special education and related services to thirteen school districts in Dawson, Richland, Prairie, Wibaux, and McCone counties. Our special education cooperative boundaries encompass all of these counties and all schools within these boundaries are members with the exception of Glendive Schools and Sidney Schools which are stand-alone districts for special education services.	1979	thirteen school districts	Yes	Employs a coordinator, a coordinator/school psychologist who is training to take over the roles of the coordinator and the school psychologist in FY05, a speech pathologist, a speech therapist, many speech paraprofessionals, a resource instructional supervisor and several instructional paraprofessionals, an office manager, an office assistant. The following services are provided through contracts: school psychology, OT/PT services, speech pathology, janitorial and school clerk.	The PVSSC office is located in Glendive. Some of our staff members report to the Glendive office, but most do not. The staff members often live in or near the communities they serve. For example, our teacher lives in Sidney even though she travels throughout the Coop. Our school psychologist lives in Vida (McCone County) and serves the entire Coop. Our speech pathology supervision services are shared by a pathologist living in Glendive and reporting to the Glendive office who provides services in Dawson, McCone, Wibaux and Prairies Counties and contracted pathologists who live in Sidney and provide supervision in Richland County. Our paraprofessionals, both speech and instructional, are generally hired from the community in which they work in order to avoid the high cost of itinerancy. Our clerk lives and works in Circle.
<b>Region 2 CSPD</b>	Provide professional development opportunities and support in the region.	1992	5	Yes	n/a	Hourly paid program assistant and a part time coordinator that receives a \$5,000.00 stipend
<b>School Election Committee</b>	Provide training to election judges and district clerks.	1990	one	Yes		
<b>World Book On-line Subscribers</b>	To give schools with small enrollment the opportunity to subscribe to World- Book On-line	1996	There are several counties; Blaine, Liberty, Hill and Chouteau	Yes		
<b>Yellowstone-West/Carbon County Special Services Cooperative</b>	Provides related services and special education technical assistance to member districts and a their special education programs.	n/a	20 school districts	Yes	3 FTE	Most are itinerant. Speech pathologists go to all districts in a particular area of the cooperative. School psychologists go to all districts at one time or another. Two teachers serve preschoolers housed in one district.

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<b>Big Country Educational Cooperative</b>	Students with disabilities	Ex-officio, Voluntary	Membership Dues, Grants	Custer, Carter, Fallon, Rosebud and Fairfield Counties	Nine member board appointed by member schools and a Special Education Director hired by the Board.
<b>Big Sky Special Needs Cooperative</b>		Voluntary, Geographic	Grants, Interlocal	Toole, Pondera, Glacier, Teton Counties plus.....	There are 16 Superintendents representing the member schools who are appointed by their local boards. (The County Supt's represent the elementary districts.)
<b>Central Montana Learning Resource Center Co-op CMLRCC</b>	Students with disabilities at the service level, and all school staff at the support or consultant level	Limited to a Geographic Region	interlocal Agreements	Fergus, Judith Basin, Petroleum, Golden Valley, Wheatland, and Musselshell Counties.	CMLRCC is governed by a Board of 9 Directors, one from each of the six counties. Because three of the counties have larger communities, these districts/communities also have representatives on the Board -Lewistown, Harlowtown, and Roundup Schools.
<b>Computer Distribution Program</b>	Students in Hill/Liberty Counties	Voluntary	Donations	Hill /Liberty Counties	County Superintendents serves as liaison between government agencies and schools.
<b>CSPD Region 4</b>		Ex-officio, Voluntary, Limited to a Geographic Region	Grants, Money is provided by the Office of Public Instruction in Helena and we sometimes have a minimal charge for the trainings which generate a small amount of money for further trainings.	Region 4 covers Park, Gallatin, Madison, Broadwater, Powell, Lewis and Clark, Beaverhead, Deer Lodge, Jefferson, and Silverbow Counties.	We have approximately 20 people on the board with 15-18 attending meetings.. The members of the board give suggestions of other people to be added. The board is constantly trying to find members from community partnerships when we have a group of people or an area of the region that we do not feel is being adequately represented.
<b>Eastern Yellowstone Coop</b>	students,schools, and families	Voluntary, Limited to Geographic Region	State SPED education funding	East Yellowstone, Treasure and Big Horn Counties	Joint Advisory Board = Board representative or designee (usually) from each member district chooses 5 management Board members who work w/Director to govern coop.
<b>Flathead County Autism Program</b>		Voluntary, Limited to a Geographic Region	Funded by participation fees, placement fees and tuition.	All districts within Flathead county	The Board of Directors is made up of Special Ed . Directors from the larger schools in Flathead County and the head of the Flathead County Special Ed Co-op.
<b>Flathead County Day Treatment Program</b>		Voluntary, Limited to Geographic Region	Funded through combination of participation fees, placement fees and special ed tuition.	All of Flathead County	The Board of Directors is made up of Special Ed Directors from the larger school in Flathead County and the head of the Flathead Special Education coop that serves the smaller schools.
<b>Flathead County Calendar Committee</b>	All students in Flathead County	Voluntary	No financial cost coordination only.	Flathead County	Various administrative or head teaching staff participate on a voluntary basis.
<b>Flathead County Election Training</b>	Clerks from Flathead County Schools	Voluntary	One time grant through Kalispell District.	Flathead County	Clerks have worked cooperatively with Todd Watkins in Kalispell handling the Financial end of the program.

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<b>Gallatin Madison Cooperative, CSPD, Medicaid Consortium, Extended School Year Consortium</b>	students 3-19	Voluntary	Grants, Interlocal Agreements	Bozeman, Belgrade, Park County, Three Forks, Manhattan	Members typically constitute Board Superintendents and/or special ed directors. Interlocal agreements established governance policies.
<b>Great Divide Education services</b>		Voluntary, Geographic	Interlocal - other, IDEA Part B Federal Funds	Powell, Beaverhead, Deer Lodge, Silver Bow, Granite, Madison, Lewis and Clark	The Cooperative has a management board made up of a representative trustee from each member district or a designated representative. The management board then nominates and elects an Executive Council to oversee the operations of the coop and it's Director. The Executive Council is made up of seven representatives of the management board and meets monthly.
<b>Hill County Rural Schools</b>	Teachers, students, and parents	Voluntary, Limited to Geographic Region	Purchases/services are made through Hill Co. Supt's office Districts reimburse actual expenses.	Hill, Blaine Counties	N/A
<b>Interlocal Agreement between Columbia Falls and Swan River Schools</b>		Limited to Geographic Region	Interlocal Agreements	Swan River School District	Board of Trustees of each school district approve the interlocal agreement year.
<b>Interlocal Agreement for Special Education services between Columbia Falls and West Glacier School districts</b>	West Glacier Elementary Special Ed Students or students requiring counseling services	Voluntary	Interlocal Agreements	West Glacier Elementary District	The board of trustees of each district approves the interlocal agreement each year.
<b>Interlocal Agreement for Transportation Services</b>		n/a	West Glacier District has a bus contractor . Columbia Falls pays West Glacier for the costs attributable to the HS. and CF. elementary on the bus. Interlocal agreements.	West Glacier and Columbia Falls School Districts.	An interlocal agreement between the districts is approved annually by both boards of trustees.
<b>LEPC ( Local emergency preparedness committee)</b>	Executive Director and Nurse Assistant	Ex-officio, and limited to Geographic region	grants	Hill County	County Superintendent serves as liaison between committee and all school except Rocky Boy and Havre District 16/A
<b>Missoula County Curriculum Consortium</b>	Member Districts in Missoula County(K-8) One in K-12 joint district in Ravalli County. 2 in small district Superior and Drummond	Limited to a Geographic Region	interlocal Agreements	Missoula County and a few districts with the same philosophy, located in adjacent counties.	Seven voting members, selected annually ,according to the following; 2 reps from class 1 member districts; 3 reps from Class 2 member districts; 1 rep from Class 3 member districts, and 1 at large rep. from member districts.

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<b>Missoula Area Education Cooperative</b>	K-12 Schools within the Region	Limited to a Geographic Region	Grants, Interlocal Agreements	K-12 school located in Missoula Mineral , Sanders, and Lake Counties.	The Joint Advisory Board consists of one representative from each member school district.(1) annual review of Cooperative performance;(2) approve the Cooperative budget; and (3) appoint 5 members to serve on the Management Council; and (4) approve applications to join the Cooperative. The Cooperative Mngmt. Council meet monthly. The Cooperative Council determines policies. School districts are obligated to join the Cooperative after three years, such district shall notify the Cooperative no later than Oct. 1 of the school year they wish to withdraw.
<b>Montana Small Schools Alliance, Professional Development and Curriculum Consortium</b>	K-8 independent districts and Class C k-12 districts	Voluntary	Membership Dues and Grants	Over 34 Counties in Montana	A board of 2 college faculty, school trustee, two county supt's with an advisor committee of 4 school administrators and 4 teachers.
<b>NW MESA ( Montana Educational Service Area)</b>	School District MASS Region/NW Region	Ex-officio, voluntary, and limited to Geographic region	Resources of the County Superintendents Office.	NW Mass Region	1 vote per district. {Management Board} Each service area has a governance board {steering committee}answering to the management board. Chosen members represent a certain size district.
<b>NW Montana Data Warehouse Consortium</b>	Data available thru the data warehouse will allow participating districts to move accurate target programs to meet student needs and requirements of NCLB	Voluntary	Grants, Interlocal Agreements	Kalispell, Whitefish, Thompson Falls, Bigfork, Libby and Helena Flats School Districts	An administrative person and an information technology person from each district direct the program and work on all consortium projects.
<b>PIR Network</b>	Teacher/staff inservice	Limited to a Geographic Region	Cast of 10 - 15 per teacher per year for each member district.	Flathead County	Coordination is through the PIR Net Consortium. The oversight committee members include curriculum directors from the larger schools and the county curriculum coop as well as principals/head teachers from smaller schools.
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Prairie View Special Services Cooperative (PVSSC)	Educational Services needed by public schools in Eastern Montana	Voluntary	All of the above: Curriculum Consortium, EMET, EMTECH (Special Education) Retirement levy, ITV instruction	Special Education Counties - Dawson, Richland, Prairie, Wibaux, and McCone.	The PVSSC is managed through a Governing board with the structure determined through interlocal agreement created for the formation of the special education Cooperative. Currently there are ten members of the Governing Board.
Region 2 CSPD	School Personnel, Agency Personnel, Parents, etc.	Voluntary	grants	Blaine, Hill, Liberty, Toole, Teton, Glacier, Pondera, Cascade, and Choteau	There is a governing council with three of its members serving as chairs for a period of three years.
School Election Committee	Election Judges and district clerks	Voluntary	County Superintendents - Districts pay travel costs	Hill, Blaine, Liberty Counties	N/A
World Book On-line Subscribers	Teachers and Students	Voluntary	Subscription fees is prorated among members based on number of students enrolled at intermediate/high school	Blaine, Liberty, Hill, Chouteau	Hill County Superintendent content school; Pays subscription fees; school reimburse Superintendent's budget.
Yellowstone-West/Carbon County Special Services Cooperative		Geographic	grants - other State generated special education dollars from member districts	Western Yellowstone County, Carbon County, one district each in Big Horn and Stillwater counties	Seven member Management Board from Advisory Board (comprised of administrators from member districts), Interlocal agreement and management board policies along with program narrative state how cooperative operated and what sped. Rules and regulations need to be followed. special Education Director, secretary, administrative assistant/family-school coordinator, and business manager make up office/administrative staff.