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Reflection Exceptional Learner

For my clinical experience I was hosted by Mankato East. I was helping out Ms. Ryan, in the resource room. I worked with freshman through seniors. There was tons of ethnic diversity, and also learning diversity amongst the class. Many of the students had behavioral disorders. This made for an experience that I haven't had before.

To say that this was a totally different experience than what I have had before would be an understatement. Many days Ms. Ryan would just sit at her desk and check emails or correct work. There wasn't much of her going around trying to help students. In fact, most of the time students would just sit around and play games. I would have to ask them a few times if they had something to work on. Most times they would say no and not doing anything. To me this was very puzzling. They are in the resource room for help and to get caught up. There was none of this going on. It wasn't just Ms. Ryan either, there was three other teachers in the room. All of them sat around and shot the breeze. There was many times that I wanted to say something to all the teachers, how they can just sit there and not care is very sad. I saw first hand how some teachers truly are professional, while others are the opposite.

I had an eye opening experience while helping out. One student had a seizure while I was the only one in the class. Luckily for the student, I knew the tip her on her side and get help. This made me realize that I need to know how to react if something else would

have happen to a student down the road. The student turned out to be fine but it was a scary ordeal.