



How can I get more information?

For parents who need further information to guide the kindergarten choice process, the Special Education Department will work with you to choose the school that best meets your child's needs.

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Providence Schools Special Education Programs & Services



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Special Education Programs

The Providence Public School Department offers comprehensive special education programs and services for children with special needs. All elementary schools offer a level of special education services in the general education setting.

In addition, for children with disabilities who require greater specialized and specific programming, the special education department offers an array of special education services.

This brochure outlines the District's special education programming to provide parents with information to make informed decisions regarding kindergarten programming for our children with special needs.

Continuum of Services

The Providence School Department provides a continuum of services designed to meet the needs of children with disabilities. This continuum is developed to educate all students in the least restrictive environment.

Continuum of Services Special Educator in a General Education Setting

The students with disabilities receive special education support in the general education setting.

The special educator services in the general education classroom to provide direct and instructional support to a student or group of students.

In this type of programming, co-teaching occurs between the general educator and special educator.

Special Class Programming

The students in this program are serviced in a separate special education setting outside of the general education classroom for the majority of the school day.

The students have significant special education needs that cannot be satisfactorily achieved in a less restrictive setting.

This program is located at the following schools:

Asa Messer, Robert Bailey, Mary Fogarty, Leviton Dual Language (Bilingual), Martin Luther King, and Webster Avenue .

Specialized Special Class Programs Include: Behavior Intervention Program

This program provides individualized behavior intervention designed to meet the needs of students with emotional/behavioral disabilities.

This program is located at the following schools: Robert Bailey Elementary & Carl G. Lauro School.

Autism Program

The students in this program have been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. This program is staffed with special educators and teacher assistants who receive specialized training to meet the needs of students diagnosed with Autism.

This program is located at the Anthony Carnevale School.

Exceptional Children Services

Students receiving these services are severely disabled and may have a combination of both cognitive and medical issues that affect their educational performance.

This program is located at the following schools: Anthony Carnevale, Pleasant View, Vartan Gregorian.