



Special Education Services

Program Facts

Federal Legislation, the Individual with Disabilities Act (IDEA), mandates that services will be provided with funding available from local, county, state, and federal sources. Special Education services are offered to any student from birth up to twenty-six years of age who qualify as handicapped in one or more of the following areas:

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| Visual (VI) | Cognitive Impairment (CI) |
| Autism (AI) | Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) |
| Physical (PI) | Other Health Impairment (OHI) |
| Hearing (HI) | Severe Multiple Impairment (SXI) |
| Emotional (EI) | Speech & Language Impairment (SLI) |
| Learning Disability (SLD) | Early Childhood Development Delay (ECDD) |

- An Individualized Educational Planning (IEP) Team, consisting of parents and staff, meet to determine eligibility for services and develop the Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) to be followed.
- A continuum of services is provided in each of our buildings.
- Some children with highly specialized needs may attend programs outside of our district. These programs are operated jointly with Ionia Public Schools and/or the Ionia County Intermediate School District.

The Ionia County Intermediate School District provides the following staff to our District to assist in the delivery of services to our students.

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| ASD Consultant | Speech Therapists | School Psychologists |
| HI Consultant | Physical Therapist | Social Workers |
| PI Consultant | Occupational Therapist | Student Para-educators |
| VI Consultant | ICT Consultant | |
| Educational Employment Training Specialist (ETS) | | |

Special Education opportunities exist locally and in center programs operated by Ionia Public Schools and/or the Ionia County Intermediate School District. The programs and services range from classrooms full or part-time to speech and language therapy, school social work and/or teacher consultant services.



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