

## **Life Skills Support**

**Life Skills Support** includes those students who demonstrate a greater degree of need for special education services due to more significant developmental delays. Students typically spend a portion of their school day outside the regular education classroom with emphasis on practical application of daily living skills. Students are most often identified as having a moderate to significant degree of cognitive disability, autism, or multiple disabilities. Due to the lower incidence rate of these students needing support outside of the regular education setting, classes are located in Belle Valley Elementary and Asbury Elementary Schools, JS Wilson Middle School, MIHS and McDowell. All students are included in regular education classes to the greatest extent appropriate as determined by their IEP teams.

Additionally, MTSD operates the Bundy House program as an option to traditional classroom instruction. For students who have completed four years of high school typically in Life Skills or Autistic Support classes, The Bundy House offers practical application of real life skills in a home-like setting. Students may choose to participate in this program through age 21. The community component of the Bundy House program provides students with opportunities to increase independence in travel, self-advocacy and job related experiences.