
Academy Learning Center

At the Academy Learning Center, two separate programs are offered:

Program For Students With Autism

Based on the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis, an intensive and individualized program is provided for all students in a 2:1 student to classroom staff ratio. The program has operated since 1996. Specialized program features include:

- Discrete Trial Teaching
- Verbal Behavior
- Incidental Learning
- Data Based Instruction
- Integrated Related Services
- Parent Collaboration

Program For Students With Multiple Disabilities

The program for students with multiple disabilities focuses on the development of independent functional skills in language, academic, social, and vocational areas. The program has operated since 1992. Student disabilities range from moderate to severe and include the areas of cognitive, neurological, medical and orthopedic disabilities. Specialized program features include:

- Functional Academic Skills
- Small and Large Group Instruction
- Integrated Services
- Dysphagia Intervention
- Medical Monitoring
- Seizure Management

Mission Statement

The Academy Learning Center provides specialized instruction to students with autism or multiple disabilities in order to develop functional, independent skills at the student's potential. It involves parents in a collaborative partnership to develop student skills at school, at home, at a job site, and in the community.

Facility

The Academy Learning Center is housed in a facility on a ten acre site that opened in September, 2001 in Monroe Township in Middlesex County. Building features include observation rooms in every classroom as well as a gymnasium, cafeteria, OT/PT room, ADL room, Vocational Education room, age-appropriate playgrounds/exercise areas, and Resource Center for inservice and parent training.

Goals and Objectives

To develop student abilities in the areas of:

- Speech and Language
- Social/Behavioral
- Academic
- Activities of Daily Living (ADL)
- Fine Motor
- Gross Motor
- Vocational Education

Related Services

- Speech and Language
- Occupational Therapy (OT)
- Physical Therapy (PT)
- Adaptive Physical Education

Center Components

- Inclusion Support
- Picture Exchange Communication (PECS)
- Sign Language ASL
- Augmentative Communication Evaluations
- Augmentative Device Training
- Computer Assisted Instruction/SMART Boards/Touch Screens
- Activity Schedules
- Parent Training
- Job Sampling at Community Sites
- In School Jobs
- Music Program
- Art Program
- Nursing Services
- Vocational Education program

Student Ages

Students between 3 and 21 years of age are educated in functionally grouped classes.

Calendar

185 day regular school year from September through June and a six (6) week Extended School Year in July and August.



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145 Pergola Avenue, Monroe Township, NJ 08831
FOR STUDENTS FROM AGES 3-21 YEARS

*Serving Special Needs Students
with Autism, Multiple
& Preschool Disabilities*

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Directions to the Academy Learning Center

From the New Jersey Turnpike:
Take the New Jersey Turnpike to Exit 8A. Bear left after the tolls onto Route 32 East (Jamesburg). This is Forsgate Drive. Continue straight for approximately two miles until the road ends at Bucklew Avenue just after the second railroad crossing. Make a right turn and then a left turn onto Pergola Avenue (Route 612). Proceed approximately one mile and the school is on the right-hand side.

From Route 9 (Old Bridge, Sayreville):
Take Route 9 South to Texas Road. Make a right onto Texas Road and continue for approximately six miles. Stay on the main road as you go through three traffic lights. The name of the road will change to Matchaponix Avenue and then to Pergola Avenue. After you pass the third light at the Spotswood-Englishtown (Route 613) intersection, the school will be on the left side in approximately one mile.

Referral Process
For more information about the programs of the Academy Learning Center, please contact the Case Manager at (732)605-9100; Ext. 4070. Student referrals should include the most recent school records and evaluations. Student records are reviewed prior to the scheduling of an intake appointment.
For further information contact:
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