

# Special Education Core Values

# Journey

## We Believe in Children

We believe all children with disabilities deserve respect; by inspiring individual potential, we create lifelong learners who contribute to society.

## High Quality Instruction

We believe that recruitment and retention of high quality instructors who are responsive, innovative and creative is essential for transformative change that results in student success.

## Programming

We believe that quality programming be centered on the whole child and is dynamic and engaging; providing access to core while also supporting individual needs in a culturally responsive manner.

## Resources

We believe equitable and appropriate resources including technology, core and specialized curriculum as well as accompanying professional development are essential for a quality special education program.

## Engagement of Family, Team and Community

We believe when families, school teams and the community are engaged in the education of our students with disabilities, they will achieve to their fullest potential.

## Our Mission

Is to create a safe and caring climate and culture in which we prepare, engage, educate, empower and inspire all learners in partnership with their surrounding community to be successful in today's and tomorrow's society.

The mission of Journey is to accommodate unique learners and expand their abilities to be independent, participate in their community, and meet their full potential.

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## Program Overview

Journey is a District 742 special education program designed for students grade nine through age 21 who are receiving special education services in the areas of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and Developmental / Cognitive Disabilities (DCD). Student placement at Journey is a team decision based on an Individual Educational Plan (IEP). Journey students need an intensive and customized staff-to-student ratio, individualized curriculum, and a Federal Setting IV environment.

### Location

Roosevelt Education Center  
3015 3<sup>rd</sup> St N, St. Cloud

### School Calendar

Journey follows the District 742 school calendar.

## Support

Journey students are supported throughout the day by a variety of professionals as outlined in their IEPs.

- Special Education Teachers
- Autism Resource Specialists
- Paraprofessionals
- Behavior Support Specialists

#### Service Providers

- Speech/Language Pathologists
- Developmental/Adaptive Physical Education Teachers
- Occupational Therapists

## Skills

Students who attend Journey learn necessary skills to expand their abilities to be independent, participate in their community, and meet their full potential. Students are provided with a highly flexible learning environment that meets their unique behavioral and sensory needs and allows opportunities for individualized growth. This includes:

- Academic & Functional Skills
- Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Job & Work Skills
- Home & Daily Living Skills
- Recreation & Leisure Skills
- Self Regulation Skills

