



High School

DESTINY PROGRAM

Oak Forest High School in District 228
15201 Central Ave. Oak Forest, IL

Academic

- Students at Oak Forest High School are engaged in academic instruction throughout their school day. In our DESTINY classrooms you can expect to see English Language Arts, Math, Proud PE, Science, Social Studies, Social Skills, Vocational, and Daily Living Skills instruction happening at any given moment. We use a variety of instructional formats such as whole group instruction, small group instruction, and centers to meet the needs of our students. Our teachers are excellent at differentiating instruction to challenge each student at their current ability level. Two of the primary instructional resources used in the DESTINY Program are Unique Learning System and OATECA.
- Students finishing their senior year in the DESTINY program receive a certificate of completion/attendance and typically continue on to transition-specific programming until 22 years of age. SWCCCASE offers a Transition program at another location where many students complete their final years of school.

Therapeutic

- Integrated Therapy Model
 - In the DESTINY Program we believe that the best way to provide services to our students is by utilizing the integrated therapy model. In this model we provide wrap-around support to your child based on the therapies they receive through their IEP. Our therapists engage in push-in, pull-out, and group service delivery models to ensure that each child receives therapies in a way that will promote success in the school setting. Our classroom teams follow through with methods taught by the therapists to provide support to students throughout their school day including times when the therapists themselves are not present.
- Offices on Site
 - Our high school has one full time and two part time speech pathologists who support the students at this site. These students also have regular access to social work support, occupational therapy, and physical therapy, as well as a program nurse who is dedicated to providing care to our four high school classrooms.

Social

- PBIS
 - DESTINY at Oak Forest High School is a PBIS school! Our DESTINY Program follows our three main expectations at OFHS. Our students are always doing their best to Be Safe, Be Respectful, and Be Responsible. Social skills instruction is a regular part of DESTINY programming.
- Proud PE
 - Also known as People Respecting Others Unique Differences, PROUD joins together DESTINY students and their general education peers (PROUD students) at Oak Forest High School into one physical education class. The class is co-taught by a physical ed teacher (OFHS) and a special education teacher (DESTINY program). PROUD students are partnered with DESTINY students to model, practice, and assist with participation in sport units, as well as, social and communication skills. DESTINY staff shadow and guide PROUD students to ensure appropriate engagement and support is provided to their DESTINY peers. Sport units are deconstructed to focus on individual skills to encourage and promote independence for all students. Some of the units covered may vary each semester, but typically include: fitness, frisbee, bocce, bowling, golf, kickball, volleyball, basketball, hockey, soccer, football, dance, and track and field. A daily PROUD PE class includes laps around the track to socialize, modified stretches, mindfulness, and 1-2 specific sport skills stations that involve adapted options to allow for practice and participation of that unit's sport. At the end of every unit, all students complete a reflection in their PROUD book with their partners. We also take advantage of the positive communication skill models by hosting some small group speech sessions during the time with the PROUD partners.
- Other Social Opportunities
 - DESTINY students at OFHS have the opportunity to engage with their general education peers through day to day interaction in the school building. Special activities and events allow our students additional time to interact with their non-disabled peers. When appropriate for the student's sensory and feeding needs, DESTINY students may each lunch in the cafeteria with their general education peers.

Arrival and Bus Unloading 7:50-8:00
Classes Begin 8:00
Classes End 2:25
Bus Loading 2:25-2:35