

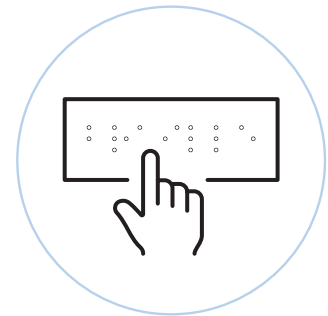
Special Education Resources

Students with Disabilities in NYC Public Schools

The success of every child is a top priority for NYC Public Schools. We are committed to creating a safe and welcoming environment where all children can learn, grow and thrive.

If your child has a known disability, or if you have concerns about your child's development, learning, or behavior, NYC Public Schools is here to help. Our schools are open to all students, and we are dedicated to providing supports so your child can succeed. A team of school professionals including teachers, psychologists, physical therapists, counselors, and others will meet with you to discuss how we can best create a welcoming learning environment for your child. Together we will determine if your child is eligible for free special education services, supports, and programs.

See next page for following steps.



Steps for Disability Supports and Services in NYC Public Schools



Do you have documents or other information about your child's disability, health, development, or learning? We want to hear from you! Sharing this information helps us better support your child's needs. Please start by reaching out to your child's Special Education Team with any questions or concerns.



Who to Contact:

K-12 District Schools: Contact the IEP Team at your child's school.

Charter, Non-Public, Private, or Religious Schools (Ages 5-21): Contact the Committee on Special Education (CSE) that serves the district where the school is located.

Preschool Students (Ages 3-5): Contact the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) based on your home address.



If you feel your concerns are not being addressed in a timely manner, you can escalate by emailing specialeducation@schools.nyc.gov. The Special Education Office will respond promptly and work with the appropriate teams to help resolve the issue.



Are you interested in increasing your child's independence? We encourage families to start thinking about and planning for the transition to adulthood as early as possible. Consider fading any paraprofessional support, refer your child for travel training as needed, and encourage your child to participate in their IEP meetings (or to lead them!).

Special Education Services

Students with disabilities who require special education services have Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). The links below will guide you to detailed information and resources about the special education process. To learn more scan the links below.



**Preschool
Family Guide**



**School Age
Family Guide**



**The IEP
Process**



**Assistive
Technology**



**Special Education
in NYC**



**Life After
High School**



**Specialized
Programs**



**Travel
Training**

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