

ASD Program

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What we do:

Berrien RESA's Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) program provides a positive learning environment, enabling students to achieve communication, social engagement, academic and functional goals, and personal growth according to their Individualized Educational Program and Transitional Service Plan.

The program services students with an educational eligibility of ASD from across the county, ages 5 to 26, who are referred by their local district. Transportation is provided to and from the student's home. The ASD Program is an ISD/county-based program, not a local district program.

Educators in the ASD Program are all highly qualified and receive regular training on evidence-based practices, therapeutic interventions, and training to support student's medical needs.

In addition to the academic, social engagement, communication, and functional needs of the students, students have access to various therapies/services to address individual student needs. Therapy is offered based on the student's Individualized Education Plans, which could include: Behavior Analysis, Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Orientation & Mobility Instruction.

We are here for you!

Berrien RESA participates in the Statewide Autism Resources and Training (START) Project, a collaborative network that involves educators, support professionals, and families who come together to connect, share and grow to better teach students on the autism spectrum. The focus of the START Project is to utilize evidence-based practices in the areas of educational programming, professional development, and parent-professional collaboration.

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