Parent University Special Education Department

Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE)

Parents who suspect their child has a disability (Ages 3-5) with regard to:

- Developmental Milestones
 - Speech/Language Skills
 - ➤ Motor Skills
 - Adaptive Behavior Skills
- Early Intervention (EI) to CPSE
- Referral Process
- Evaluation Process

Committee Preschool Special Education (CPSE) to Committee on Special Education Transition (CSE)

- Process- Preschool to Kindergarten
- Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting
- Program/Services Available
- Continuum of Services

13 Categories of Educational Classification



Educational Classifications

- Autism
- Blindness
- Deafness
- Emotional Disturbance
- Hearing Impairment
- Intellectual Disability
- Multiple Disabilities
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Other Health Impaired

IEP vs 504 Accommodation Plan

IEP = IDEA

- Disability that requires specialized instruction and includes individual goals related to areas of deficits
- Academic, Social, Physical, Management strengths and deficits are included

504 = Americans with Disabilities Act

Documented Disability impacting education requiring reasonable accommodations & modifications

Continuum of Programs & Services

- > Consultant teacher services
- > Resource room
- > Related services
- ➤ Integrated co-teaching
- > Special class

Consultant Teacher Services:

Direct - Special ed. teacher works directly with the student in his/her classroom

Indirect - Special ed. teacher works with classroom teachers to support student in the general ed. classroom

Resource Room

- ➤Our "learning resource center" pull-out program; not less than three hours of instruction per week (may receive in combination with consultant teacher services for not less than three hours each week total)
- ➤ Special education teacher works on skills, strategies, organization, etc. within the context of the curriculum

Related Services

- > Speech instruction that addresses disorders of speech, voice, and/or language individually and/or in a group
- ➤ Occupational Therapy focuses on fine motor skills as they relate to academic functioning and/or daily living skills; ability to organize and process sensory information; equipment needs/adaptive technology to promote independence (in consultation with the technology department)
- ➤ Physical therapy focuses on gross motor skills of persons whose learning is impaired by physical injury or illness, a congenital or developmental disability
- > Counseling address school-related issues such as task-avoidance, frustration, self-esteem, social interactions, etc.

Integrated Co-Teaching

Co-teaching occurs when two or more certified teachers jointly deliver substantive instruction to a diverse, or blended, group of students in a single physical space.

School personnel assigned to each class shall minimally include a special education teacher and a general education teacher.

Co-Teaching Models

- *One teach, one observe
- *Station teaching
- *Parallel teaching
- *Alternative teaching
- *Teaming
- *One teach, one assist

Special Classes

- **≻**Reading
- > Small student:teacher ratio core classes
 - Courses vary based on need
- ➤ Skills Development Classes (Elem, MS, HS)
- ➤ Other district programs
- ➤ Special schools

AIS: Academic Intervention Services

Elementary:

- Speech Improvement (Articulation)
- > Reading
- **>** ELA
- > Math
- Counseling/ Social Skills Groups

Secondary:

➤ ELA

Post-Secondary Transition

"The first step toward graduation is the first step into kindergarten."

- What is Post-Secondary Transition?
- Self-Advocacy/Self-Determination
- **Transition Planning Timeline**
- Transition Assessments
- **❖** Transition in the IEP

What is Transition?

Planning and services needed to prepare students with disabilities for moving smoothly from school to

- Post-Secondary
 - Education (Learning)
 - Employment (Earning)
 - Adult Living

What is the Goal of School Transition?

- To prepare students with disabilities to live, learn, and work within the community.
- To provide students with career and life skills, knowledge and experiences.

Self-Advocacy and Self-Determination

- ❖ Who Am I?
- ❖ Where am I going?
- ❖ How do I get there?

Pupil Personnel Services Website Update

http://www.jerichoschools.org/

Questions?

