Exceptional Education

Serving the needs of all students

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Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools Department of Exceptional Education serves students ages 3 - 21 with a variety of special services and programs, all of which are geared toward providing an exceptional education for every child, regardless of his or her physical, mental, or emotional capacity.

- MNPS currently serves more than 8,000 students with disabilities.
- MNPS has four schools devoted to serving students with disabilities: Cora Howe, Harris Hillman, Johnson and Murrell.
- MNPS currently serves more than 2400 academically gifted and talented students through Encore.

Accomplishments

- MNPS is transitioning to a system based on integrated, inclusive services. In the fall of 2009, 48% of all students with disabilities spend at least 80% of their school day in a general education classroom.
- To assist in the transition to integrated, inclusive delivery model, MNPS provided professional development for more than 4,000 teachers and staff prior to the 09-10 school year.
- At the start of the 2009 school year, MNPS unveiled a new Exceptional Education web-based resource with several key features:
  - **Where to Start** -- a step by step guide to acquiring special educational services from the initial referral process to implementing the individualized education plan for each child
  - **Parent Resources** -- a comprehensive list of online resources and tools for parents of children with special needs
  - **Services** -- a breakdown of services offered by the district for students ages 3 - 21
  - **Disabilities** -- a comprehensive listing of all disabilities, their definitions, and signs and symptoms served by the district
- MNPS has launched the Exceptional Education Family Advisory Council, EEFAC, a group of family members and community partners who will advise and assist on issues related to students with disabilities. Families interested in learning more about EEFAC, visit **www.mnps.org.**

Department of Exceptional Education

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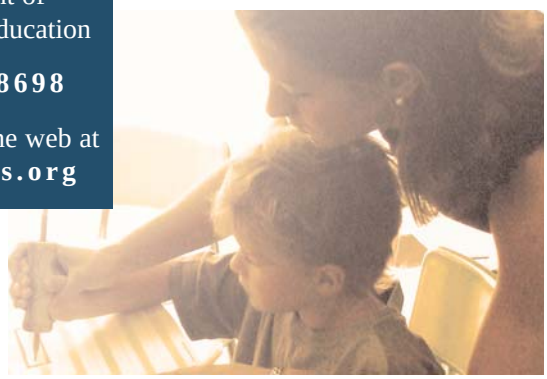

Services

Early Childhood Services
- Preschool Blended Classroom
- Community Based Preschool Classes
- Preschool Inclusive Classroom
- Preschool Language Center
- Homebound Services

School Age Services
- Resource Services
- Life Skills Services
- Communication Behavior Intervention Services
- Community Based Transition
- Moderate Intervention Services
- Homebound Intervention Services
- Special Day Schools and/or Services

Gifted and Talented Services
- Encore (PreK-6)

Related Services
- Speech Language Pathology
- Audiological & Psychological Services
- Physical & Occupational Therapy
- Counseling & Social Work Services
- Orientation & Mobility Services
- Parent Training
- Transportation
- Music Therapy
- Diagnostic & Evaluation Services
- Recreation
- Early Identification and Assessment
- Rehabilitation Counseling Services
- Medical Services

To request an accommodation, please contact your building principal or department head. (Interpreters for the deaf or hard of hearing must be requested forty-eight [48] hours prior to the event.) Questions or concerns may be referred to the Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools Customer Service Center, 615/259-4636.

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