Autism ABELS Classroom

Who We Are And What We Do

Instruction is based on a functional curriculum that incorporates academics, daily living and vocational skills. Students receive individualized support in the areas of academics, communication, motor, social, behavioral, daily living skills, and pre-vocational and employment skills. Our ABELS room focuses on the development of basic living skills, personal competence, and assistance. The program works to teach students how to independently complete daily living tasks based on their individualized needs and abilities. Students are taught through instruction, demonstration, reinforcement, hands-on practice, and adult and peer feedback.

Who We Serve

Our ABELS Class provides instruction in a self-contained special education setting within the public school setting. All students in this program have an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) which includes goals that are aligned to the students' identified areas of need focused on everyday life skills. Our programs can serve students from kindergarten through 6th grade.. Students in these programs have been determined by the educational team to require an intense functional and sensory curriculum incorporating academics and acquisition of daily living and vocational skills aligned to the students' identified needs.

The Instructional Experience

Students participating in the ABELS class will be provided ongoing age and skill appropriate functional instruction in practical academics, communication, community, domestic, leisure/recreation, and vocational skills. The classroom focus continuously revolves around communication skills, maximum independence, and endless opportunities to generalize skills in real life settings. Students have opportunities to participate in activities within the general educational setting with typically developing peers, as well as exposure to activities within the community. Related services are provided according to the students' identified needs.

Programs and Locations:

Kindergarten - 6th grade Farmington Elementary

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