



# The Children's Institute

Amazing Kids. Amazing Place.

## Educational Services

### The Day School at The Children's Institute of Pittsburgh

The Day School at The Children's Institute is licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education as an Approved Private School (APS) and serves nearly 200 students from 67 school districts. Our students range in age from 5 through 21 and are often challenged by complex disabilities such as autism, neurological impairments, cerebral palsy, and other serious physical and cognitive developmental disabilities. We have 27 support classrooms: 11 autism support classrooms, 11 multiple disability support classrooms, and five adult preparatory classrooms designed for students 18-21 years old.

#### Our Approach

At The Day School we believe in a collaborative, team-based approach to education that includes students, parents and school districts.

Our unique transdisciplinary team approach helps students achieve the goals established in their **Individualized Educational Programs (IEP)**.

Our educational program utilizes a functional curriculum that includes:

- Art
- Adapted physical education
- Fully-equipped library
- Music
- In-class computer resources

We combine this curriculum with a focus on building life skills for comprehensive student development.



#### Staff/Student Ratio

Multi-disability: 1:3  
8 students,  
1 teacher / 2 aides

Autism: 1:2  
6 students,  
1 teacher / 2 aides

#### Classrooms

Long regarded as a national leader in the education of children with disabilities, The Day School offers 27 classrooms:

- 11 autism support classrooms
- 11 multiple disabilities support classrooms
- 5 adult preparatory classrooms

To learn more about The Day School, please contact us at 412.420.2487 or visit [amazingkids.org](http://amazingkids.org)

## A Broad Continuum of Services

In addition to programs offered in the classrooms, The Day School provides numerous related services to students who need them, including:

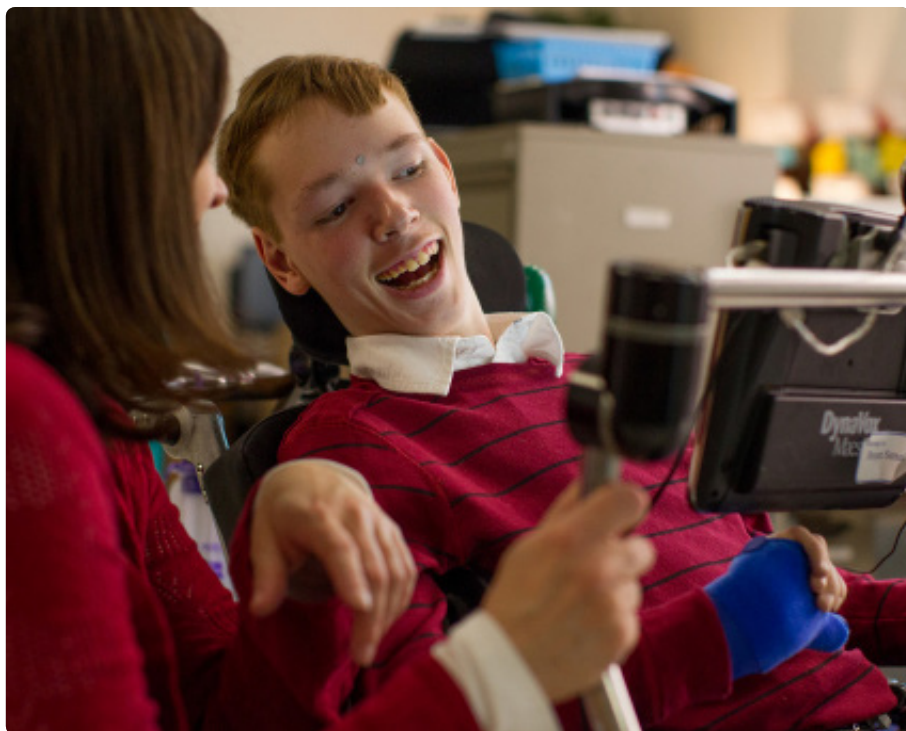
- Speech/language therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Behavioral health services
- School social work services
- Vision consultations
- Dietary services
- Transitional services
- School nursing services
- Hearing impaired resource therapy
- Augmentative communication device therapy
- Feeding and oral motor therapy

## Educational Services for Students with Autism

The Autism Program at The Day School provides a comprehensive, transdisciplinary approach to helping students with autism or autistic-like behaviors increase their cognitive skills, social communication skills, emotional regulation skills and personal relationships with family, staff and peers. Throughout the school day, students are taught to accomplish life skills with increased levels of receptive and expressive communication.

## Tuition

The Day School is approved for tuition reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the school districts for students with complex disabilities such as autism, neurological impairments, cerebral palsy, and other serious physical and cognitive developmental disabilities.



More than

**95%**

of parents surveyed are satisfied with  
The Day School's services