



Autism Teacher Consultant

What are Autism Teacher Consultant Services?

Consultation provided on behalf of autistic students through collaboration with school staff and families to support access to education. The Autism Teacher Consultant helps school teams build understanding of autism, create supportive and inclusive learning environments, and implement individualized supports. Services include coaching, strategy development, and the use of evidence-based practices to meet the unique needs of each student.

Autism TC Support Services for Schools

- Collaboration with the school based team to increase understanding of autism as a disability and the impact of autism on educational outcomes
- Consultation, coaching, and direct/indirect support to school teams in implementing supports to meet the individualized needs of students with autism
- Systematic direct observation of students to analyze areas of need and identify support recommendations
- Assist in developing IEP's and programming for students with autism
- Assist in functional behavior assessment and behavior plan process
- Assist in developing tools and resources to support individualized access to education
- Provide an Autism lending library and digital teacher resources
- Provide professional development opportunities about autism, universal supports, and evidence based practices

Universal Supports

- **Visual & Organizational Supports:** Visual tools that increase structure, independence, and understanding
- **Instruction & Academic Engagement:** Differentiated strategies that support access, focus, and learning
- **Communication Supports:** Consistent, responsive systems that promote expression and choice
- **Positive Behavior Supports (PBIS):** Proactive strategies that teach and reinforce expected behaviors
- **Social Interaction & Peer Support:** Inclusive opportunities for connection with same-age peers

What is Autism?

Autism is a natural, lifelong variation in how a person thinks, communicates, and experiences the world. In school, autistic students may need support with communication, sensory regulation, transitions, or social interaction, while also demonstrating strengths like focus, creativity, and strong memory.

What is Autism Eligibility for Special Education Services

Under MARSE, a student may qualify for special education services under Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) when differences in communication, social interaction, or behavior significantly impact their access to education. Eligibility is determined through a team evaluation, and services are provided through an IEP to support the student's learning and participation.

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AUTISM EDUCATIONAL SUPPORTS AND STRATEGIES

