

Intervention Services

What is Special Education?

Special Education is a continuum of services and supports designed for children with disabilities. Our success as educators is measured against the achievement of all children entrusted to our care. The mission of Special Education in the Nelsonville-York City School District is to ensure the provision of appropriate services and supports to all children with special needs and their families, in every school, so that all students graduate from high school prepared for college, careers, and fulfilling independent lives.

Research confirms that the most effective schools are those that design a system of integrated service delivery models that provide targeted interventions, access to rigorous curriculum, social-emotional learning, and positive behavioral supports for both general and special education populations. Through teamwork, collaborative problem-solving, a focus on student learning, and a belief that all children have a right to quality education, we will ensure educational opportunity for all.

For students with mild to moderate learning or behavioral needs, all NYCSD schools provide a full continuum of services. Depending on the child's needs and his/her Least Restrictive Environment (LRE), he or she may receive services in the regular education classroom with accommodations and supports or in a small-group resource room setting for some subjects, or in a single classroom environment for all core subjects.

Homeless

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Children and Youth Program was designed to make sure all homeless children and youth have equal access to the same free and appropriate public education as children and youth who are not homeless. This includes preschool education. State and local educational agencies are required to develop, review and revise policies to remove barriers to the enrollment, attendance and success in school that homeless children and youth may experience. Local educational agencies also must provide homeless children and youth with the opportunity to meet the same challenging state content and state student performance standards to which all students are held. Please Contact the Nelsonville-York City School District's Homeless Liaison, Tina McWilliams, with questions or for more information or assistance.

Handicapped 6 Child Find (Section 504)

Diagnostic services are available through the local school district to any handicapped child from birth through 21 years of age. Problems with hearing, vision, learning, behavior, cognition, speech/language, health/physical functioning, or any combination of these may be considered handicapping conditions.

If you know of a child in the Nelsonville-York City School District who may be handicapped and is not attending school nor receiving needed special education services, please contact Tina McWilliams at (740) 753-1674.

Notification

If you require any special services (such as an interpreter, braille, large print materials, or wheelchair accessible accommodations) covered under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Public Law 101-336, Section 102, please contact a building principal. If you are using TTY/TTD, please use the Ohio Relay Service, 1-800-750-0750.

Non-Discrimination Policy (Section 504)

The Nelsonville-York City School District does not discriminate on basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or handicap. This applies to employment and all educational programs and opportunities for students. Any questions or requests for information regarding grievance procedures should be directed to Tina McWilliams at 740-753-1674.

Title IX

In accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972, no person shall on the basis of sex be excluded from participation in, denied benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any educational program approved by the Nelsonville-York Board of Education. Any questions or requests for information regarding grievance procedures should be directed to Tina McWilliams at (740) 753-1674.

No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB)

Our country's most important federal education law, the No Child Left Behind Act, was designed to make changes in teaching and learning that will help increase academic achievement in our schools. In compliance with the requirements of NCLB, the Nelsonville-York City School District informs parents of their right to ask schools about the qualifications of their child's teachers. Since our school receives Title I funding, the following information may be requested: 1) Teacher Certification; 2) College major/graduate certification or degree held by teacher; 3) Qualifications of the paraprofessional, if paraprofessional services are provided. Nelsonville-York City Schools

believes that nothing is more important to your child's education than having a well-prepared and highly qualified teacher. We encourage you to support your child's education and to communicate with your child's teachers on a regular basis. If you wish to request information concerning the qualifications of your child's teacher, please contact Tina McWilliams at (740) 753-1674. For additional information on NCLB, please visit the United States Department of Education website at www.ed.gov/nclb.