

Special Education Updates

Programs & Services

2/10/2020

Wayne County - Act 18 Categorical Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Program

- The Eastern Region ASD categorical program has been in GP for over 25 years.
- The ASD categorical program is funded by Wayne RESA via Act 18 funding.
- The ASD categorical program is not a GP program, it is a Eastern Region county program, which includes referrals from GP, Harper Woods & Hamtramck.
- The IEP (Individual Education Program) team determines the level of special education programs & services to be provided, which supports that child's Least Restrictive Environment (LRE).
- Each child has its own LRE. LRE is not a place.
- The IEP team includes the parent.

Variables Considered

Once the IEP team determines a need for a categorical program, special education administration considers the following variables to establish placements.

- Laws from Michigan Rules & Wayne RESA, such as class size limits
- Age/grade
- Level of functioning
- Home school or closest school with an opening (if GP/HW district resident)
- Peers, current or future
- Transportation routing
- Staff, family, building, & student strengths
- Anything else that informs the best placement decision for the student

Data - ASD Categorical Program

- Number of student projections have remained consistent over the past year (160-170 students)
- Number of student referrals from GP/HW district have decreased over the past 3 years (previously ratio 80%-20%)
- Ratio of current referrals from GP & Hamtramck/Harper Woods is now 60%-40%
- Number of ASD classrooms unchanged (24) from 2019-20 to 2020-21

Projected ASD Classroom Locations

	Classroom Locations Elementary School	Classroom Locations Middle School	Classroom Locations High School
2019-20	FER x1, KER x1, MAS x2, MON x2, POU x2, RIC x1, TRO x2	BRO x2, PAR x1, PIE x1	NOR x4, SOU x4
2020-21	FER x1, KER x2, MAS x1, MON x2, RIC x2	BRO x4, PAR x1, PIE x2	NOR x4, SOU x4

Note: Barnes Early Childhood
ASD x1 2019-20 & 2020-21

Data - CI Categorical Program

- Number of student projections have remained consistent over the past year (54 MOCI, 38 MICI)
- The MOCI categorical program is not a GP program, it is an Eastern Region county program, which includes referrals from GP & Harper Woods.
- Number of CI classrooms is unchanged (9) from 2019-20 to 2020-21

Projected CI Classroom Locations

	Classroom Locations Elementary School	Classroom Locations Middle School	Classroom Locations High School
2019-20	FER x2 MOCI, x1 MICI	PAR X1 MOCI, x1 MICI	NOR x1 MOCI, x2 MICI SOU x1 MOCI (CC)
2020-21	FER x2 MOCI, x1 MICI	PAR X1 MOCI, x1 MICI	NOR x1 MOCI, x2 MICI SOU x1 MOCI (CC)

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