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Bright Beginnings Learning Center

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1660 Stelton Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854

FOR STUDENTS AGES 3-21



Providing Services for Students with Autism, Multiple Disabilities & Preschool Disabilities

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Referral Process

For more information about the programs of the Bright Beginnings Learning Center, please contact the school at 732-339-9331. Student referrals should include the most recent school records and evaluations. Student records are reviewed prior to the scheduling of an intake appointment.

Directions to the Bright Beginnings Learning Center

From 287 Northbound:
Take Exit #5 at Dunellen (Route 529) . At light at end of ramp make left onto Stelton Road. We are located approximately two

(2) miles south. The entrance to the ESCNJ campus is on the right 1/10 of a mile south of the Ethel Road light. After you enter the campus, turn right.

From 287 Southbound:
Take Exit #5 at Edison (Route 529 South). At the light at end of ramp make right onto Stelton Road. Proceed as above.

From Route 1:
Exit at Plainfield Avenue. Travel north approximately 2.2 miles (toward Piscataway – Plainfield Avenue becomes

Stelton Road) pass the Edison Job Corps Center on your left. The entrance to the ESCNJ campus is 1/4 mile north (on the left). After you enter the campus, turn right.

For further information contact:

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Bright Beginnings Learning Center

At the Bright Beginnings Learning Center, two separate programs are offered:

Program For Students with Autism, Ages 3 - 21

Based on the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis, an intensive and individualized program is provided for all students in a 2:1 student to classroom staff ratio. Specialized program components include:

- Discrete Trial Teaching
- Natural Environment Teaching
- Data Based Instruction
- Integrated Instruction with Related Services
- Photographic Activity Schedules
- Family Training Program
- Community Based Instruction

Program for Students with Multiple Disabilities

The program for students with multiple disabilities focuses on the development of independent functional skills in language, academic, social, and vocational areas. Student disabilities range from moderate to severe and include the areas of Cognitive, Neurological, Medical and Orthopedic disabilities. Specialized program components include:

- Functional Academic Skills
- Small and Large Group Instruction
- Dysphagia Intervention
- Medical Monitoring
- Seizure Management
- Integrated Instruction with Related Services

Facility

In operation since 1998, Bright Beginnings Learning Center relocated in 2002 to the Piscataway Campus of the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey. The new building includes observation rooms in every classroom, spacious gym/cafeteria, OT/PT Room, Sensory Room, ADL Room, age-appropriate playgrounds, and Resource Center for in-service and parent training.

Student Ages

Students between 3 and 21 years of age are educated in functionally grouped classes.

Goals and Objectives

To develop student abilities in the areas of:

- Speech and Language
- Social/Behavioral
- Academic
- Activities of Daily Living (ADL)
- Fine Motor
- Gross Motor

Related Services

- Speech and Language
- Occupational Therapy (OT)
- Physical therapy (PT)
- Adaptive Physical Education

Center Components

- Inclusion Support
- Picture Exchange Communication (PECS)
- Art Program
- Augmentative Communication Evaluations
- Parent Training
- Music Program
- Nursing/Medical Services
- Sensory Room
- Technology Infused Instruction
- Activity Schedules

Calendar

The combined September through June school year and the Extended School Year (in summer) programs offer over 210 days of instruction.

Mission Statement

The Bright Beginnings Learning Center provides specialized instruction to students with autism or multiple disabilities in order to develop functional, independent skills at the student's potential. It involves parents in a collaborative partnership to develop student skills at school, home, and in the community.
