

EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR 2017

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WHAT IS EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR?

- Special education program
- Preschool-POST Academy
- Prevent substantial regression of skills related to IEP goals
- Recommended by the IEP team based on the needs of the individual student

HOW ARE DECISION MADE?

- All children "regress"--lose progress, forget, revert to previous behavior--to some extent between school years. It must be determined whether a child's regression would likely be substantial, and whether the child would require a greater than usual time to "recoup"--to get back to the level the child had achieved before a break in service.
- In addition to significant regression and/or limited recoupment, courts have set forth other ESY criteria to be applied by a Team, as follows:
 - the degree of the child's impairment
 - the parents' ability to provide structure at home
 - the child's rate of progress
 - the child's specific behavior and/or physical problems
 - the availability of alternative resources
 - the child's ability to interact with non-disabled children
 - the specific curricular areas in which the child needs continuing attention
 - the vocational and transition needs of the child
 - whether the service requested is "extraordinary" rather than usual in consideration of the child's condition.

Question and Answer Guide on Special Education Extended School Year Services:
http://www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/ta/esyp_qa.html

ESY PROGRAMS

- Programs (available at each level, as needed and appropriate):
 - Compass
 - Connections
 - Crossroads
 - TSP
 - Bridge
 - RISE
- Continuation of school year program
 - Direct social skills instruction embedded into the Connections and Compass programs
 - Life skills embedded into the Compass programs

ESY TUTORING

- Students who require academic instruction
- Each session will encompass reading, writing and math skills
- Students grouped by grade level
- Student work in small groups with a teacher or paraprofessional
- Each session (day) is 2 hours
- Students are recommended for 1-2 days per week

ANCILLARY SERVICES

- The IEP Team determines if OT, PT, Speech are required during ESY
- Special education teachers consult with therapists in order to embed these skills into the program
- Many ancillary services are delivered in small groups within the ESY classroom

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2017

- ESY Coordinators: Karin Rando will be organizing RISE, Compass, Connections, TSP and Crossroads – Kelly DiCato will be organizing Bridge and Tutoring/Learning Center
- Elementary tutoring program will have lower student: teacher ratio
- Bridge program will be separate from the tutoring group
- The elementary program will be housed at Birch Meadow. ESY students will use the front door and Kids' Club students will enter the building through the side cafeteria door.
- RISE classrooms will be at RISE preschool
- Middle and High School classes will be at Coolidge

ESY 2017 DATES/TIMES

- July 10-August 10
- Monday-Thursday
- RISE
 - 8:00-10:30
- Elementary
 - Tutoring and Bridge
 - Grades 1-3: 8 a.m.-10 a.m.
 - Grades 4-5: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
 - Other Programs 8 a.m. -11:30 a.m.
 - Compass Sub-separate 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (students must bring lunch)

ESY 2017 DATES/TIMES CONTINUED

- Middle School
 - Tutoring and Bridge
 - 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
 - Other Programs 8:30-12:00 p.m.
 - Compass 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Students must bring own lunch)
- High School
 - Tutoring and Bridge
 - 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
 - Program
 - 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

- The IEP team determines if a student requires transportation during ESY based on the student's disability.
- If transportation is required students will be transported to and from ESY via bus.

KIDS' CLUB

- At the elementary level Kids' Club (extended day's full day child care) is located at the same school.
- Parent paid program
- Students can walk to Kids' Club from ESY
- Please tell your student's ESY teacher if he/she is participating in Kids' Club

QUESTIONS

