

Announcement - Spectrum Center Opens a Third Classroom on Its Integrated Campus Serving the South Bay



Spectrum Center offers a new and exciting nonpublic school program for children ages 5-17 years old. The new Spectrum Center campus serves students with the following disabilities: **autism, moderately to severely handicapped, multiple handicapped, deaf, blind, and hearing impaired.**

Our campus addresses the needs for students with challenging educational and behavioral needs, offering:

- Small classes on an integrated public school campus
- High staff to student ratios
- Well trained staff with experience with challenging behaviors
- Easy access to communities in the South Bay
- Cost effective services

Spectrum Center's Learning Approach Reflects Best Practices

Spectrum Center Uses Applied Behavior Analysis to:

- Respond to challenging behaviors in a preventative, positive and respectful way
- Teach alternative appropriate behaviors and self control strategies

Spectrum Center Uses a Customized Curriculum Approach to:

- Improve student learning skills
- Provide curriculum based on each student's unique educational needs and IEP
- Produce results that are data-driven and measurable

Spectrum Center Uses a Collaborative Model with Parents and School Districts to:

- Resolve immediate placement problems and facilitate transition back to public schools

Vocational Services

All Spectrum Center students aged 14 and older participate in prevocational or vocational training adhering to the supported employment model. The goal is to provide students with skills necessary for independence and future employment:

- Comprehensive assessment to determine strengths and interests
- Matching vocational training to strengths and interests
- On-campus and/or paid work experience at local businesses



Spectrum Center's Autism Initiative

Spectrum Center offers a full continuum of education services for children with autism, including dedicated autism classrooms for early intervention, ages 8-12, and ages 13+. Classrooms provide:

- Strong language development curriculum
- Emphasis on social development
- Systematic high rate learning trials
- Usage of Applied Behavior Analysis
- Positive strategies to address challenging behaviors

Methodologies include discrete trial training, natural language paradigm, Picture Exchange Communication (PECS), TEACCH, and pivotal response training.



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