

Approved by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Learning Prep School is a special education program which meets the needs of students through specially designed instructional programs, delivered in safe and structured classroom settings.

While we primarily focus on educating students with language-based learning disabilities, our student profiles are complex and varied. Students with other learning disabilities and/or social communication challenges have also been successful in our educational environment.

Student Population:

Learning Prep School is a co-educational learning environment for students in grades 3-12. We are approved to serve up to 272 students from over 100 communities in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire.

School Facts

Faculty Members: 102 Academic and Direct Care Staff

Class Size: no more than 8 students per class

Schedule: 4 quarters, 5 day set schedule, 48 minute periods

Teaching Strategies: Embedded in every classroom: direct teaching methods, Language-Based Instruction, Thinking Maps, and Social Thinking concepts.

Technology: Technology is integrated into all classroom instruction and students have access to a state of the art Library Media Center.

Course Rigor

Students are taught at a variety of levels, from remedial courses in areas of greatest weakness to grade level courses featuring modified curriculum following the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks as well as the Common Core State Standards to suit the needs of students with language-based learning disabilities.

2016 Commencing Student Profile

90% of our graduates go onto a college or post-high school training program:

- Attended a college level program: 31%
- Attended a vocational program: 3%
- Attended a transition program: 56%

Summer Program

The Extended Year Program is designed to maintain progress and prevent substantial regression through structured educational and social experiences. The program is modeled after the academic school year, but includes social activities to help provide a "camp-like" feel. The Extended Year Program is open to any student who is enrolled at Learning Prep School.

Work Study Program

Students attend work on a biweekly schedule and, with the support of teachers and job coaches, are assisted in managing 25 hours of employment each work week, as well as take-home academic assignments. Job coaches provide on-site support and training while managing student progress and goals. Job coach support fluctuates in accordance with student need, which develops individual growth and confidence.