



Information for Parents Enrolling Special Education Students CLARKSVILLE-MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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To educate and empower our students to reach their potential.

INTRODUCTION

The Clarksville-Montgomery County School System follows federal laws and regulation implementing special education. In addition it is subject to the rules and regulations of the Clarksville-Montgomery County School Board, the State Board of Education for the State of Tennessee, and the Tennessee State Department of Education. While federal rules and regulations remain consistent from state to state, those same regulations require each state to develop its own set of regulations governing the identification and service of students with disabilities. The result of these differences between states may impact the identification and service of your child.

Schools in Montgomery County serve students in specific areas. These areas, or zones, are determined by the Board of Education. Parents can determine their school zone by accessing the School System web page and navigating to the Transportation page or by calling the Transportation Department.

Students are enrolled at their home schools, not at the Central Office. Students who require specialized programs may be served in programs located away from their home school. These students will begin the enrollment process at their home school. Specialized transportation is determined by the IEP Team and is based on the student's needs and location of program.

Students entering the school system with a current IEP and identification from out of state will be enrolled at their home school and will meet with an IEP Team. An IEP or evaluation brought in from out of state will remain in effect until the School System either accepts the current evaluation or IEP or it completes a new evaluation to determine eligibility under Tennessee criteria and develops a new IEP. By federal regulation the services given to an arriving student with an IEP must be comparable services to those in the previous district. The school system does not have to give identical or equal services only comparable.

One of the most notable differences to parents is the terminology. Many of the familiar terms of their previous school system are replaced by strange and new acronyms. There are new program names and definitions. The school system welcomes questions and encourages parents to visit their child's school and classroom.

Frequently Asked Questions for the Enrollment for All Students.

Q: Where do I register my child?

A: Students are registered at their home school during school hours.

Q: Can I register my child during the summer?

A: Schools are not open during portions of the summer. Call the Central Office switchboard for summer hours information . This information may also be found on the school system web page and in the local newspaper.

Q: What do I need to bring with me when I register?

A: A birth certificate or other proof of date of birth, proof of immunization on an official State of Tennessee Immunization Form, proof of a completed medical exam for the first-time enrollee, proof of custody, and proof of residence. A Social Security information.

Q: What documentation should I bring for a Special Education Student?

A: The IEP process moves much smoother and faster when a copy of the current psychological evaluation, IEP, and related reports are provided at the time of enrollment.

Q: Can I request an IEP Meeting during the summer before school starts?

A: IEP Meetings are not conducted until a student is enrolled in the school system and schools have reopened.

Q: Is the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System required to accept the identification of my child and implement the IEP from my previous school system?

A: Federal regulations require the School System to accept the identification of a student with disabilities until it conducts its own evaluation to determine eligibility under Tennessee criteria. The School System may accept the existing IEP or develop its own according to Tennessee regulations.

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Programs Schools	Resource (Res)	Comprehensive Developed Curriculum (CDC)	Life Skills (LS)	Behavior Adjustment (BA)	Developmentally Delayed (DD)	Preschool (PS)
Barksdale	yes	yes	Sango	Smith	Moore	yes
Burt	yes	yes	St. B	Smith	n/a	n/a
Byrns Darden	yes	yes	yes	Liberty	Kenwood Elm	yes
Cumberland Heights	yes	yes	Smith	Smith	yes	yes

East Montgomery	yes	Sango	Sango	Smith	Moore	yes
Glenellen	yes	yes	yes	Ringgold	yes	Hazelwood
Hazelwood	yes	Inclusive	Glenellen	Ringgold	Glenellen	yes
Kenwood Elm	yes	yes	Ringgold	Liberty	yes	yes
Liberty	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	Woodlawn
Minglewood	yes	yes	Liberty	Liberty	Liberty	yes
Montgomery Central Elm	yes	yes	Smith	Smith	Cumberland Heights	Cumberland Heights
Moore	yes	yes	Sango	Smith	yes	Barksdale
Norman Smith	yes	yes	yes	yes	Moore	Cumberland Heights
Northeast Elm	yes	yes	St. B	Ringgold	Glenellen	St. B
Ringgold	yes	yes	yes	yes	Kenwood Elm	yes
St. Bethlehem	yes	yes	yes	Smith	Glenellen	yes
Sango	yes	yes	yes	Smith	Moore	EMES
Woodlawn	yes	yes	Liberty	Liberty	Liberty	yes

Programs	Res	Ext. Res	Life Skills	B.A.		
Kenwood Middle	yes	yes	yes	yes		
Montgomery Central Middle	yes	yes	Richview	Richview		
New Providence Middle	yes	yes	yes	yes		
Northeast Middle	yes	yes	Rossvie	Rossvie		
Richview Middle	yes	yes	yes	yes		
Rossvie Middle	yes	yes	yes	yes		

Programs	Res	Ext. Res	Life Skills	B.A.		
Clarksville High School	yes	yes	yes	students served in home school or by contracted services		
Kenwood High School	yes	yes	yes			
Montgomery Central High	yes	yes	yes			
Northeast High School	yes	yes	yes			
Northwest High School	yes	yes	yes			
Rossvie High School	yes	yes	yes			

*Please note that if the program is not offered at your child's school, the alternate location is listed for your convenience. Program locations are subject to change based on space and enrollment.