

Providence School Christian Academy School System

Belief Statement: We believe all children are created by God and designed in His image to learn and develop independent skills to provide positive contributions in their communities.

Program Description: Providence School is designed to accommodate children with a primary diagnosis of Down syndrome. Students must be ambulatory and not considered medically fragile. Speech and Occupational Therapists will provide consultation to teachers regarding student educational needs and individual/group therapy on a weekly-biweekly basis. Additional individual therapy may be provided at school, independent from what the school is providing and at parent's expense. A working relationship will be maintained with Christian Academy and Down Syndrome of Louisville. Acceptance into Providence School is based on an application and interview, as well as an evaluation of current level of development. Providence school is the only non-profit school in the Kentuckiana area with a vision for offering pre-school-12th grade integrated educational opportunities for children with Down syndrome.

Junior Academy:

- Junior Academy can accommodate up to four students with Down syndrome.
- Additional support will be provided in the classrooms as needed.
- A Providence School team member will work with teachers and children to promote spiritual, cognitive, adaptive, language, motor and self-help skills.
- A total inclusion approach will be used.
- A Family Service Plan/FSP will be written with each family specific to the needs of their child each year.

Elementary-Middle School:

- Providence School will have a specialized teacher and assistants to modify curriculum and provide support to students within the classroom and in small group settings.
- Specialized curriculum and classroom modifications will meet the individual needs of students.
- A Family Service Plan/FSP will be written with each family specific to the needs of their child each year.
- Inclusion into the elementary classrooms will promote cognitive, adaptive, language, social and spiritual goals.

- The teacher or assistant will accompany students to special areas as appropriate.
- Speech and Occupational therapies are included in tuition.

Application Process:

- Refer to School Description to determine if the child's needs and program offered match.
- Contact the Admissions Department at (502) 244-3225 for initial information.
- Documentation required: Primary diagnosis of Down syndrome, current and past therapeutic services.

For more information, please review **Frequently Asked Questions**