



School Consultation and Training Services

Giant Steps offers a comprehensive continuum of services to support professionals and paraprofessionals with the education of students with autism. The scope of services can be customized to the unique needs of your district, school, or classroom.

Interested in learning more?

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Not sure what your school district needs? Complimentary consultation meeting, initial observations and a written report of recommendations can be provided.





Student-Specific Consultation

Observation, training, and consultation regarding the academic, sensory, and behavioral programming for a specific student.

- Assessment-focused observation of student
- Training on development of student-specific supports
- Direct/Live feedback on how to implement supports
- Facilitation of team meeting to discuss progress and ongoing needs

Recommendations may include skill assessment, modifications to tasks, rapport building, modifications to environments, social/emotional strategies, and de-escalation/reactive strategies.

Group Staff Training

Partial day to multi-day trainings and workshops. Topics may include:

- Autism 101
- Proactive Strategies and Supports
- Motivation Systems
- Sensory Supports in the Classroom
- Inclusion of Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder in General Education Classrooms
- Instructional Strategies that Work!
- Keeping Calm in Crisis
- Understanding Behavior

Train the Trainer

Goal-oriented support designed to empower team leaders to educate colleagues on best practices for educating students with autism.

- Development of targeted learning goals
- Weekly or biweekly observations
- Written report of observations
- Feedback to team lead/classroom teacher
- Checklist given to team lead to implement follow up observations with fidelity

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Autism Program Development

We offer consultation to develop an autism-specific classroom or modifying an existing classroom based on best practices

- Program evaluation and recommendations for improvement
- Recommendations for programming including theoretical orientation, scheduling, assessments, and student-specific supports
- Staff training/modeling on how to create necessary supports