

Exceptional News

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Emotional Disturbance

“**Emotional Disturbance**” means a condition exhibiting one or more of the following characteristics over a long period of time and to a marked degree that adversely affects a child's educational performance.

- A.** An inability to learn that cannot be explained by intellectual, sensory or health factors;
- B.** An inability to build or maintain satisfactory interpersonal relationships with peers or teachers;
 - I.** Inappropriate types of behavior or feelings under normal circumstances;
 - II.** A general pervasive mood of unhappiness
- C.** A tendency to develop physical symptoms or fears associated with personal or school problems. The term includes schizophrenia. The terms does not apply to children who are socially maladjusted, unless it is determined that they have an emotional disturbance (ED).

July Events

14th - 15th

Arkansas Waive Association
Annual Training Conference

30th

Statewide CASSP Family
Adventure Day



SENSORY SATURDAY ICE AGE

July 23rd @ 9:30am

\$5.50 per person

Jonesboro and Monticello theaters.

Required Screenings

The required screenings for ED include Vision and Hearing Screenings, Checklists, rating scales, anecdotal records, self-concept inventories, and classroom and work samples.

Required Evaluation Data can include Social History, Individual Intelligence, Individual Achievement, Adaptive Behavior information, and Communicative Abilities (Comprehensive Speech Evaluation).

A clinical diagnosis of emotional disturbance by a licensed psychologist or psychiatrist is required. Behavioral observations in different settings, physical examination and testing for learning processes are also required.

For a student with Emotional Disturbance to succeed in the school setting, programming should include addressing the following areas: social and emotional needs, as well as academic areas. Coordination of varied service delivery areas is very important for success in school.

Source: arksped.k12.ar.us

Looking for something fun and exciting to do with your family in Northwest Arkansas? The Scott Family Amazeum is a children's museum in Bentonville, Arkansas. 50,000 sq. feet of interactive science fun for kids!



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