

- 1. How will SAILS students be brought from a car or the bus to the SAILS classroom?**
The paraprofessionals or the student's teacher will be available to assist if the student requires support.
- 2. Are there certain campuses that have block scheduling?**
At this time, Hightower HS, Willowridge HS, and Marshall HS will have block scheduling but no middle schools have block scheduling.
- 3. How do students receive modified assignments in middle school?**
The in class support teacher will collaborate with the general education teacher to modify tests and assignments per the student's IEP.
- 4. How can parents schedule meetings with general education and special education teachers and paraprofessionals?**
Parents are encouraged to email teachers to schedule time during the teachers' conference period.
- 5. What supports are available for students that have reading and writing deficits in their math classes?**
Students will receive all supports identified for each content area in their ARD in middle school as well as high school. Some examples of accommodations for students with reading and writing deficits are: reading assistance, oral administration of tests, language supports such as simplified directions, allowing for verbal responses. Accommodations for each student are identified by the ARD committee and highly individualized depending on each student's needs.
- 6. My student is a part of Reading Ally for Dyslexia and has other accommodations for tests as well. Will she be able to have those services in middle school?**
Yes, students will receive all services and accommodations identified for each content area in their ARD in middle school as well as high school.
- 7. If the student is only receiving in class support for 20 minutes per class, what do they do during the remainder of the class?**
Students would continue to receive support from the general education teacher for the remainder of the class time.
- 8. If my child was a walker in elementary school, but needs special education transportation in middle school, how could we request this?**
The need for special education transportation will be addressed during the transition ARD (prior to starting middle school) and if the ARD committee decides that the student will receive transportation as a related service, they will be scheduled to receive that service.
- 9. Are high school freshmen required to take the PSAT at school or can they be exempt out of doing this?**
PSAT is not required for high school freshmen. However, should a student opt to take the PSAT, they will receive any allowable accommodations per their ARD.
- 10. What is the process for placing a student in the SAILS program?**
Student placement is addressed by the student's ARD committee. The committee uses student progress, behavior, and any other pertinent data to decide what services would best meet the student's needs.
- 11. How are new middle school teachers trained to teach a student with autism and ID?**
All teachers in the district receive professional development on identified Professional Development days. In addition, all teachers are required to attend at least 21 hours of professional development during the summer. This year, all general education teachers will receive 7 hours of professional development in various areas of special education.
- 12. My son is experiencing behavioral problems at school. How is this managed?**

Students experiencing behavioral challenges receive a variety of behavior supports depending on their individual needs and as determined by their ARD committee. Some examples of behavior supports are: establishing clear routines, allowing for a break or cooling off period, proximity control, explicit instruction in replacement behaviors.

13. If compensatory time is not completed by the time a student transitions to middle school or high school, how will this be addressed?

Services will be provided at the middle or high school unless the ARD committee decides otherwise.

