



HILL TOP

Preparatory School

Program Description

As you may know, Hill Top is an accredited preparatory school for students in grades five through twelve with diagnosed learning disabilities, ADHD or high functioning Autism. In general, our program is designed to meet the needs of this specialized student population and provides the following to all Hill Top students:

- Small school environment (student body typically 75-85 students)
- Small class size (4-8 students)
- Group counseling twice per week for forty minutes (all students participate; not a pull-out program)
- 1:1 counseling support as needed
- Mentor Period (daily for 40 minutes) - Academic and organizational support
- 1:1 Laptop initiative – all students are loaned a laptop
- Information skills instruction
- Hill Top email address for easy communication with teachers
- Student information system – individualized calendar of assignments, ability to view grades, etc.
- Two 40 minute English classes – one focusing on reading; the other focusing on writing and study skills.
- Scheduled break/community meeting from 9:50-10:10 daily
- Activity period 4x/week allowing for social interaction with peers
- Weekly staff/team meetings allowing for discussion of students and curriculum integration
- Phasing system that allows for accommodation or advanced work in classes
- Personal Education Plans for all students
- All school reward systems focusing on both academics and behavior (Gold and Platinum Award)
- Student Ambassador program through Admissions
- Individualized assignment planner

We further individualize the program for students as needed. In addition, the program is presented cohesively throughout the day across academic, social and emotional realms; skills are not taught in isolation.