

# ESY Social Skills Therapy

## Social Skills Groups

- Ages 3+
- 8-week Summer Term
- See Course Catalog on-line for curriculum offerings

## Course Formats

### Elementary:

The curricula for these age groups focus on developing relationships and social understanding skills through simple lessons that contain 1 1/2 hour of direct instruction followed by 30 minutes of center based guided play.

**Cost per Student:** \$2680  
(class meets 2x/week)



### Middle School - Young Adult:

1 hour of direct instruction followed by 2 to 3 hours of therapeutic recreation in the community. These courses, referred to as "Kids Chat & Chill (KCNC)," "Teens Talk Teens Rock (TTTR)," or "Young Adults Group (YAG)" are designed for those ready for dynamic and in-depth social interaction and Instruction.

**KCNC Cost per Student:** \$2180  
(Class meets 1x/week)

**TTTR/YAG Cost per Student:** \$2600  
(Class meets 1x/week)

**Plus program set up as needed**  
(assistive technology training, custom visuals,  
observations, personal medical training etc.  
- Not to exceed \$300)

## Friday Excellent Adventures (FEA) & Sleepovers

FEA's run most Fridays from June to August, 10am - 4pm. Activities include Valleyfair, Minnesota Zoo, Science Museum, water parks and much more!

Group sleepovers are available once a month and run from 5pm Friday to 10am Saturday. Community outings such as, bowling, swimming and mini golf are included.

Sleepovers and FEA's provide guided and facilitated therapeutic education to improve social and self-management skills and promote responsibility.

- Must be 8+ years of age
- FEA's are \$185/session plus admission fees
- Sleepovers are \$195/session plus admission fees

## IEP Based Individualized and Academic Programming \$110/hr

Individualized tutoring is offered for students with significant social/behavioral and/or academic needs specific to IEP goals and objectives. Tutoring can be tailored to meet the needs of any student requiring ESY services.

## Camp Connections Day Camp

The summer day camp program runs from June 8 - August 21 and accepts campers beginning at age 5. Day camps are held Monday - Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. No day camps will be held the week of July 4.

Activity	Length of Day	Cost
Full Day Camp	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	\$170
Afternoon Day Camp w/AM Social Skills Group (SSG)	Noon - 4:00 p.m. (SSG - 9:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. & Free Learning Lunch 11:30 a.m. - Noon)	\$95 + SSG Fee

*\*ESY participants must be enrolled in a social skills group in order to attend Friday Excellent Adventures or Day Camp. This is to ensure participants are equipped with the basic skills necessary to make day camp fun and successful for all participants.*

**Please Register by May 22**



## Extended School Year (ESY)

### Why Use an ESY Program?

Extended School Year (ESY) services ensure that children identified with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) or with any learning need are able to continue learning over the summer in the same way their peers do.

Because of developmental differences, children without disabilities continue to learn even while not in school, while children with disabilities may need the structure of the classroom to continue learning and stay on par with their peers.

In order to provide a free appropriate public education, school districts provide ESY services to a student, during a break in instruction, if the IEP Team determines the services are necessary. The IEP Team will determine a student's need for ESY services if the student meets the conditions of item A, B or C:

A. There will be a significant regression of a skill or acquired knowledge from the student's level of performance on an annual goal that requires more than the length of the break in instruction to recoup unless the IEP Team determines a shorter time for recoupment is more appropriate.

B. Services are necessary for the student to attain and maintain self sufficiency because of the critical nature of the skill addressed by an annual goal, the pupil's age, and level of development and the timeliness of teaching the skill.

C. The IEP Team otherwise determines, given the student's unique needs, that ESY services are necessary to ensure the student receives a free appropriate public education.

*"It is comforting to know that there is a place that my son can attend that allows him to try new things and meet new people in an environment that will not ridicule him, but will help him grow and cope in social situations"*

*-WMLC Parent*



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