

S.E.A.

STUDENTS
WITH
EXCEPTIONAL
ABILITIES
ESY

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Our Mission

Students with Exceptional Abilities (S.E.A.) is dedicated to the enhancement of social, educational and transitional skills in an individualized, inclusive setting. S.E.A. recognizes the need for additional support and continued learning through after-school and summer programming for students with exceptionalities.

OUR PROGRAMS



S.E.A. offers multiple programs for children with disabilities, including:

- Parent Night Out
- Tutoring
- Extended School Year

Pine-Richland Youth Center

S.E.A. is a program in conjunction with the Pine-Richland Youth Center (PRYC), located in Gibsonia. The PRYC is an established non-profit 501(3)c organization holding a strong history of community, sportsmanship & hospitality.



The PRYC offers students with exceptionalities a safe environment to continue to grow their education, social & transitional skills. The Center offers many different settings where students can learn, exercise or relax. These settings include classrooms, gymnasiums and outdoor recreation.

Meet the Director



Dr. Jessica Hall-Wirth is an Associate Professor of Special Education at Slippery Rock University and is the acting director of Students with Exceptional Abilities. She has been the Director for 5 years!

Extended School Year

S.E.A. is a certified ESY provider by the Allegheny Intermediate Unit. The goal of ESY at S.E.A. is to help maintain and enhance the skills and knowledge that the student has built over the past academic year. S.E.A. understands that students with exceptional abilities thrive on a set routine and daily schedule, which allows the student to focus on their academic, behavioral, transitional, and social skills. ESY will run for 6 weeks beginning June 26, 2023 and end on August 4, 2023. There will be no ESY on July 3 and 4.



All About Our Program

Our program is designed to focus on each student's individualized needs and goals. S.E.A. aims to do so by developing an individualized daily curriculum around those needs and goals. S.E.A. staff will collaborate with the student's IEP team to develop this individualized curriculum. If students are working on any transitional goals, S.E.A. will utilize the CEC Life Centered Education Transition Curriculum as a resource. S.E.A. also places an emphasis upon student's life skills.

Each day, the students will be submerged into an inclusive setting through a partnership with the PRYC Summer Camp. The students will take part in different games and activities where they will work on different social skills with their peers.

Instructional Methods

S.E.A. will utilize practices such as work task boxes (jigs), manipulatives, flipables, positive reinforcement, assistive technology, social stories and more throughout the program.

Progress Monitoring

S.E.A. will keep detailed progress monitoring data for each student. Parents will receive this data at the end of the program, but can request access at any time.

S.E.A. Staffing

Example Daily Schedule

S.E.A. staff hires certified teachers to lead our classroom. In addition to certified teachers, S.E.A. hires college students who are pursuing their degree in education as instructional assistants.

This schedule is subject to change based upon the student's needs

9:00-9:15	Students Arrive
9:15-9:30	Student Free Time
9:30-10:00	Morning Meeting
10:00-11:00	Teacher Time
11:00-11:45	Time with PRYC Summer Camp
11:45-12:30	Lunch
12:30-1:00	Weekly Themed Lesson and Activities
1:00-1:15	Student Dismissal
1:15-2:00	Staff Planning Time

Transportation & Related Services



Transportation to and from S.E.A. must be provided by the family or the School District.

Any related services (OT, speech therapy, etc.) must be provided by the school district through the student's IEP.

Tuition and Attendance

Tuition costs are outlined below. Full-time attendance is considered to be at least 5 weeks. Beginning in 2023, S.E.A. has implemented a 2-week minimum attendance policy. Lunch is not provided.

Full-time \$2,800.00
Part-time \$525.00 per week

Scholarships are available!

Parent & Guardian Testimonials

The staff is always able to provide solutions to things he struggles with and I love that he willingly practices hard skills with her. He chose to attend ESY a second summer and his confidence grew so much being with other kids with disabilities and not feeling so different. He was able to be a role model and help others, rather than always being the one struggling. This really impacted his social development. The SEA program has been a huge blessing to our family, and the friends we recommended them to. We are thankful that the SEA program and PRYC have been able to generously provide scholarship opportunities, as we would not be able to afford to get him these services without their help.



"Not one time during the program did my daughter say to me "Mom I don't want to go to school today". That is an accomplishment in itself! Please keep up the good work!"



S.E.A. provided face-to-face tutoring to my teenage son at a time it was needed most and was 100% the right decision for his ESY program during the past summer. I am so thankful for the highly qualified teachers that provided much needed, in-person teaching to prevent further regression and eliminate the mother/son frustration that happened during the COVID-19 spring of online learning. I think many children who receive special education services suffered the most, both academically and socially, with the educational changes caused by COVID-19. I am very thankful that S.E.A. helped to fill that void for my son and really got him back on the right track for the new school year. I look forward to working with S.E.A. again in the future. It truly is a gem of a program with top notch, knowledgeable and caring resources.

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