

Mission Statement

The Multi Needs program educates and empowers students who have diverse needs and abilities by providing a curriculum that promotes the life and social skills necessary for each learner to achieve greater levels of independence and reach their full potential thereby becoming confident and contributing members of their community.

NDSEC STUDENT PROGRAMS

Multi-Needs

	<u>Grades</u>
Early Childhood	3 yrs. - Primary
Primary	K - 3
Intermediate	4 - 6
Junior High	7 - 8
High School	9 - 12
Transition (ages)	18 - 21

Emotional Disabilities

	<u>Grades</u>
Early Childhood	3 yrs. - Primary
Primary	K - 3
Intermediate	4 - 6
Junior High	7 - 8

Lincoln Academy

	<u>Grades</u>
Junior High	6-8
High School	9 - 12+

Therapeutic

	<u>Grades</u>
Junior High	6-8
High School	9 - 12+

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Multi-Needs Program

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The Multi-Needs Program

NDSEC Multi-Needs Program services the needs of students with developmental difficulties.

The program is for students between the ages of 3 and 21 and is designed for students who are likely to benefit from a functional, community-referenced curriculum. The staff utilize a trans-disciplinary team approach. The goal of these educational programs is to prepare students to live, work and recreate as independently as possible in their home communities.

The program focuses on functional life skills that are embedded into daily activities, as part of the state goals and Illinois Learning Standards. The emphasis is to increase students' levels of independence with decreasing levels of staff support across all environments.

CURRICULUM

Instruction

- Functional Reading
- Applied Mathematics
- Schedules
- Technology

Community

- Grocery/Retail Shopping
- Personal Safety
- Recreational Programs

Independent/Daily Living Skills

- Life Arts /Domestic Skills
- Personal Care
- Self Awareness /Social Skills
- Interpersonal Relationships

Vocational Experiences

- In classroom job opportunities
- In school job opportunities
- Job exploration

STAFF TEAM MEMBERS

- Classroom Teacher
- Classroom Assistants
- Occupational Therapist
- Physical Therapist
- Nurse
- Social Worker
- Psychologist
- Speech/Language Therapist
- Vocational Teacher
- Assistive Technology Coordinator and Assistants
- Community Drivers

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Transition Planning
- Interagency Coordination
- NDSEC Parent Network Group
- "Low Incidence" services