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The Middlesex County Educational Services Commission is located at 1660 Stelton Road. Piscataway, New Jersey 08854. For additional information on these programs, or on the many ways a partnership with the Middlesex County Educational Services Commission can be of service to you, please contact us at 732-777-9848 or visit our web site at www.MCESC.K12.NJ.US

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# Welcome To The MCESC...

**Providing High Quality Educational Programs And Services To Member Districts** In A Cost Effective Manner.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION** 



# MEET THE **MCESC**

Vince 1977, the Middlesex County Educational Services Commission (MCESC), based on a 20-acre campus in Piscataway, has helped local school districts provide specialized auxiliary and remedial services to thousands of eligible students.

Currently, over 4,000 nonpublic school students representing 25-member school districts benefit from commission programs in compensatory education, supplementary instruction, English-As-a-Second-Language (ESL), home instruction, corrective speech, examination and classification, Chapter 1, nursing, textbook and technology services.

Our fully certified and professionally trained staff uses the proven diagnostic/remedial/teaching approach to provide instruction tailored to the individual needs of every student. The quality of our programs is maintained through ongoing staff development opportunities ensuring continued professional growth. Our trained consultants are available to work with students

> whose primary language is not English.

The Bright Beginnings Learning Center 1660 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 (732) 339-9331 For Students ages 3-12

The Bright Beginnings Learning Center (BBLC) housed in a new 36,000 square foot facility, serves children with autism, multiple and preschool disabilities.

The BBLC offers two separate programs.

The Program for Students with Autism is based on the principles of Applied Behavioral Analysis and includes Discrete Trial Teaching and a 2:1 student to classroom staff ratio.

The Program for Students with Multiple Disabilities focuses on the development of independent functional skills in language, academic, social and vocational areas and offers small and large group instruction, medical monitoring and seizure management.

The facility features: observation rooms in every classroom; a spacious gym and cafeteria; OT/PT room: ADL room: Vocational Education room: age appropriate playgrounds/exercise areas; a Resource Center for inservice, and a Resource Center for staff and parent training.

### The Piscataway Regional Day School

1670 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 (732) 985-8752 For Students ages 13-21

The Piscataway Regional Day School (PRDS) provides specialized programs for severely multiply disabled and autistic students.

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#### The Raritan Valley Academy 1690 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 (732) 777-9860 For Students ages 5-21

The Raritan Valley Academy (RVA) is committed to providing an environment that enables special needs students with behavioral, learning and/or language disabilities to achieve individualized academic excellence. An exemplary behavior modification program provides students with the tools needed to improve their self-esteem, develop individual responsibilities and become more productive members of society.

The RVA features a unique "school within a school" design of elementary (Grades 1-4), middle (Grades 5-8) and upper (grades 9-12) communities that includes a full range of academic courses.

Additionally, Clinical Support Services provide students with emotional and behavioral support including: Individual, Group and Family Counseling: Life Skills: Anger Management: Career Exploration: Responsible Parenting and Tobacco Free Life.

### The Academy Learning Center

145 Pergola Avenue • Monroe Township, NJ 08831 (732) 605-9100 For Students ages 3-21

The Academy Learning Center (ALC), a 42,000 square foot state of the art facility, serves children with autism, multiple disabilities and preschool disabilities. The program provides exceptional students with the preparation skills for inclusion within the family, community, adult activity center, group home, sheltered workshop and/or supervised dwelling. In addition, specialized, classroombased instruction is provided, along with early childhood learning experiences and family support intervention for students with developmental delays in preparation for transition to school.

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### The Middlesex County Academy

**Edison Job Corps Center** Building 811/Highway of Dreams 500 Plainfield Avenue • Edison, NJ 08817 (732) 985-4800 ext 2371 For Grades 7-12

The Middlesex County Academy, located in Edison, is a county-wide alternative education program designed to provide at-risk and classified students the opportunity to complete their middle and high school requirements in a supportive, individualized learning environment. Academy students are scheduled into an academic program that meets

the credit requirements of their resident school district.

In addition, specialized instructional approach es, supportive services, and opportunities for individualized self-pacing provide assistance to students in developing responsible patterns of behave ior. The program is approved by the New Jersey Department of Education.

### The NuView Academy

#### 1 Park Avenue • Piscataway, NJ 08854 (732) 878-0070 For Students ages 5-21

The NuView Academy provides a free, appropriate, public education (FAPE), in the least restrictive environment (LRE), for students exhibiting severe symptoms or diagnosis of Depression, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Conduct Disorder, Thought Disorder or Anxiety Disorder.

The Academy offers a stimulating atmosphere making available the tools to improve self-esteem develop individual responsibility and become productive members of society.

The program is a collaborative effort between the MCESC which provides all education programming and referrals, and Princeton House, which provides the psychiatric and therapeutic components for reaching goals that will assure student success.

Academic Program/Curricula Offerings include Reading, Algebra, World History, Computer Sci ence and a School-to-Career Program.

### The Adolescent **Intensive Outpatient Program**

825 Georges Road • North Brunswick 08902 (732) 435-0202 For Students ages 12-18

The Adolescent Intensive Outpatient Program is an afterschool program administered by Princeton House and sponsored by the MCESC at the former North Brunswick satellite facility

The program provides mental health and addic tion treatment for students ages 12-18. Intensive professional treatment is also provided for other illnesses including anxiety and dual diagnosis.

### Interim **Alternative Educational Program**

### 1690 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854

(732) 777-9860 For Students ages 5-21

The Interim Alternative Educational Program (IAEP) is a county -wide program designed to provide learning disabled and/or at risk students the opportunity to continue their educational program in a supportive, individualized learning environment for not more than a 45-day period. The program enables students to continue to participate in the general curriculum leading to the fulfillment of their IEP goals. Program components include Academic Programming, Individual/Group Counseling, Anger Management/Conflict Resolution Training, and Family Support Services.

### **Professional Development Academy**

### 1690 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 (732) 777-9848

The Professional Development Academy (PDA) serves as the leader in the central New Jersey region in providing collaborative and cooperative training opportunities for educational professionals and individuals working in related services. The PDA, which is an accredited New Jersey Department of Education Professional Development Provider, offers a wide range of workshops to meet district or staff development needs in such areas as: Multiple Intelligences: Instructional Strategies for ESPA, GEPA and HSPA; Classroom Management: Early Childhood Education and Block Scheduling. Workshops can also be personalized to meet any district's specific professional development needs.

## **OTHER SERVICES**

### **Coordinated Transportation Services**

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The Middlesex County Educational Services Commission provides coordinated transportation for special, public, nonpublic and vocational-technical educational programs. With over 500 transportation routes presently being administered which serve in excess of 6.000 students, the Commission has a proven track record as a reliable transportation service provider looked favorably upon by parents and districts for its caring, safety and punctuality.

### The County **Diagnostic Educational Commission**

The County Diagnostic Educational Commission (CDEC), operating under the auspices of the MCESC, provides assessment services and supplemental services in support of the district child study team.

The CDEC provides services to districts where limited personnel resources or low incidence needs make it impractical to hire professional personnel.