

School-Based Supports

Students are supported through a team approach that begins in the classroom and grows as needed. Classroom teachers lead the student's educational program and work with families and other school staff to plan, provide, and review supports. District- and community-based professionals may also become involved depending on a student's unique learning situation.

Classroom Teacher

Classroom teachers are responsible for the learning and well-being of all students in their class. They provide inclusive instruction and adjust teaching, materials, and assessment to respond to a range of learning needs.

The classroom teacher has the main role in planning, providing, and monitoring each student's educational program. This includes students with disabilities or diverse abilities and students who are learning English. Classroom teachers work closely with families and other members of the school team to help students participate in learning and experience success.

Child and Youth Care Worker (CYCW)

Supports students' social-emotional well-being, relationships, and participation at school. They may help students build skills for managing emotions, solving problems, and taking part in classroom and school routines. They may also help carry out student support plans developed by the school team.

Education Assistant (EA)

EAs work under the guidance of a teacher and as part of the classroom team to help support students. Depending on student needs, EAs may help with learning activities, communication, participation, personal care, mobility, or other parts of a student's support plan.

Learning Support Teacher – English Language Learning (ELL)

The LST-ELL supports students who are developing their English language skills. They work with classroom teachers to help students build the language needed for communication, participation, and learning across the curriculum.

Support may include classroom collaboration, small-group or individual instruction, language assessment, instructional planning, and progress monitoring.

Learning Support Teacher – Resource

The LST-Resource works with classroom teachers to support students who need additional help with learning. They may help assess student needs, plan instructional strategies, provide small-group or individual intervention and monitor progress.

LST-Resource teachers may also serve as case managers and help develop, review, and update Individual Education Plans (IEPs). They work with families, teachers, and other school staff to support coordinated planning.

School Counselor

School counselors support students' personal, social-emotional, educational, and career development. They may provide individual or group counseling, classroom-based learning, consultation, referral, and support during challenging situations.

School counselors work with students, families, teachers, and other staff. They may also help coordinate school or community services when needed.

School counselors may also serve as case managers and help develop, review, and update Individual Education Plans (IEPs). They work with families, teachers, and other school staff to support coordinated planning.