

Under Pennsylvania and federal law, a child with a disability has a right to special education and related services that are provided:

- At public expense (no cost to you).
- Under public supervision and direction.
- Without charge to preschool (ages 3-5), elementary, or secondary school students.
- In the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE). This means that children with disabilities are educated to the maximum extent appropriate with children who do not have disabilities.
- In conformity with an Individualized Education Program (IEP). This means that students with disabilities who need special education must receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE).

FAPE includes other (related) services that help your child get to school and benefit from the special education program. These may include:

- Special transportation,
- Speech, physical, or occupational therapy,
- Psychological counseling,
- Other services which help or support your child as your child grows and learns.