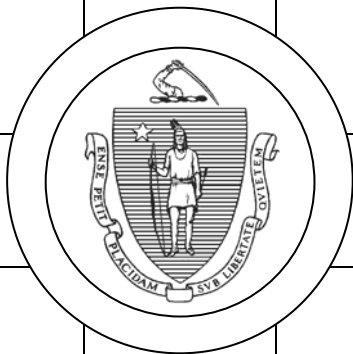




**Approved Massachusetts  
In-State  
Day and Residential  
Private Special Education School Programs  
Pursuant to 603 CMR 18.00 and 28.09**

**and**

**Policy and Procedures Regarding  
the Approval of  
Private Out-of-State Programs  
Providing Special Education Services  
to Massachusetts Students**



**March 2007**

## **EXPLANATION OF ABBREVIATION AND TERMS**

### **AGENCY NAME/ PROGRAM NAME:**

All programs are listed alphabetically by the name of the operating agency for each approved program. Note that in some instances the name of the operating agency is also the name of the approved program.

### **DAY (D), RESIDENTIAL (R), SUMMER (S):**

- D = Day Program
- R = Residential Program
- S = Summer Program

### **NUMBER OF MONTHS:**

- 10 = Program of 10 months in duration consists of a minimum of 180 school days
- 11 = Program of 11 months in duration consists of a minimum of 198 school days
- 12 = Program of 12 months in duration consists of a minimum of 216 school days
- Summer programs are usually scheduled over a 2 month period and do not have a minimum number of says set by the Department of Education.

### **PROGRAM CODE:**

Most programs have a four-digit number followed by a letter. This is a Department of Education assigned code number for the purposes of identifying programs where the Department has financial interests.

### **SEX, AGE RANGE:**

This column notes the sex (M/F) and the age range of the students served in a particular program.

### **NEEDS SERVED:**

The disability abbreviations listed below and that are referenced in this directory are those that are reported by approved private school programs.

- |                         |       |
|-------------------------|-------|
| • Autism                | AUT   |
| • Developmental Delay   | DD    |
| • Intellectual          | INT   |
| • Sensory Hearing       | SENH  |
| • Sensory Vision        | SENV  |
| • Sensory Deaf-Blind    | SENDB |
| • Neurological          | N     |
| • Emotional             | E     |
| • Communication         | COM   |
| • Physical              | PHY   |
| • Specific Learning     | SL    |
| • Health                | H     |
| • Multiple Disabilities | M     |

### **CONTACT PERSON:**

The contact person for each program is listed together with the program mailing address, telephone number, e-mail address, and web page, if available. The contact person is the individual most able to discuss the nature and scope of program services. Note that some of the programs provide services at additional locations. Please contact the director of the specific program for locations not listed in the directory.

### **\*TUITION RATE:**

The maximum allowable Massachusetts tuition rate for a publicly funded day or residential placement in approved private program is set by the Operational Services Division of the Executive Office of Administration and Finance. Note that these rates are subject to change. Information on the most current rate for each program is available at the Web site noted at the bottom of each page in the directory.



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Dear Interested Parties:

We are pleased to provide you with the March 2007 update of our "*Approved Massachusetts In-State Day and Residential Private Special Education School Programs*" directory. This directory is designed to provide assistance to local special education administrators, teachers and parents when placing eligible students with special education needs in private day or residential programs.

This directory has been updated to reflect the school year 2006-2007 and includes new private day and residential programs that the Department of Education has approved throughout the past year pursuant to 603 CMR 18.00 and 28.09. Tuition rates that are set by the Operational Services Division of the Executive Office of Administration and Finance can be found by choosing "Special Education Pricing" at <http://www.mass.gov/osd>.

Once again, the Department wishes to remind school districts and interested parties of the required procedures for the approval of schools serving disabled students in programs operated outside the Commonwealth. These procedures were originally issued in May 1997 and are provided at the end of this directory.

A copy of this book may be obtained by visiting our website at <http://www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/spedpvtlist/> or by contacting Program Quality Assurance Services (PQA) at (781) 338-3700. Programmatic or procedural questions regarding the placement of students with special education needs in these approved schools should be directed to PQA.

Sincerely,

Darlene Lynch  
Director  
Program Quality Assurance Services

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AGENCY NAME/PROGRAM NAME DAY (D)/ RES (R) /SUMMER (S) NUMBER OF MONTHS	SEX AGE RANGE NEEDS SERVED	CONTACT ADDRESS TELEPHONE E-MAIL WEB PAGE
<b>Amego, Inc.</b>		M/F 8-22 Barbara Brown 115 Plymouth Street
Amego, Inc.	AUT/ DD/INT/COM	Mansfield MA 02048 508-261-1000 <a href="mailto:bbrown@amegoinc.org">bbrown@amegoinc.org</a> <a href="http://www.amegoinc.org">www.amegoinc.org</a>
R12		
<b>American International College</b>	M/F 7-15	Paul Quinlan 1000 State St.
Curtis Blake Day School	COM/ SL	Springfield MA 01109 413-205-3420 <a href="mailto:cbc3@aicstudent.com">cbc3@aicstudent.com</a>
D10		
<b>Archway, Inc.</b>	M/F 10-22	Sonya Esber 77 Mulberry Street
Archway Residential	AUT/ DD/ I	Leicester MA 01524 508-892-4707 <a href="mailto:sesber@archwayinc.org">sesber@archwayinc.org</a>
R12		
<b>Bay Cove Academy</b>	M/F 12-21	Judy Gelfand 156 Lawton Street
Bay Cove Academy Day Program	E/ SL	Brookline MA 02446 617-739-1794 <a href="mailto:jgelfand@baycove.org">jgelfand@baycove.org</a> <a href="http://www.baycove.org/academy">www.baycove.org/academy</a>
D12		
<b>Beverly School for the Deaf</b>	M/F 3-22	Mark Carlson 6 Echo Avenue
ADAPT Day Program	AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ N/ COM/ PHY/ SL/ H/ M	Beverly MA 01915 978-927-7070 <a href="mailto:markcarlson@beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org">markcarlson@beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org</a> <a href="http://www.beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org">www.beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org</a>
D10		
<b>Beverly School for the Deaf</b>	M/F 3-22	Mark Carlson 6 Echo Avenue
Summer Program	AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ N/ COM/ PHY/ SL/ H/ M	Beverly MA 01915 978-927-7070 <a href="mailto:markcarlson@beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org">markcarlson@beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org</a> <a href="http://www.beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org">www.beverlyschoolforthe deaf.org</a>
D.S.		

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<b>Boston College Campus School</b>  Campus School  D11	M/F 3-21  DD/ M	Don Ricciato 140 Commonwealth Avenue, Campion Hall Room 197  Chestnut Hill MA 02467 617-552-3460 <a href="mailto:ricciato@bc.edu">ricciato@bc.edu</a> <a href="http://www.bc.edu/bc_org/avp/soe/campsch/">www.bc.edu/bc_org/avp/soe/campsch/</a>
<b>Boston Higashi School, Inc.</b>  Boston Higashi School Day Program  D12	M/F 3-22  AUT/DD	Takako Ebihara 800 North Main Street  Randolph MA 02368 781-961-0800 <a href="mailto:ebihara@bostonhigashi.org">ebihara@bostonhigashi.org</a> <a href="http://www.bostonhigashi.org">www.bostonhigashi.org</a>
<b>Boston Higashi School, Inc.</b>  Boston Higashi School Residential Program  R12	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD	Takako Ebihara 800 North Main Street  Randolph MA 02368 781-961-0800 <a href="mailto:ebihara@bostonhigashi.org">ebihara@bostonhigashi.org</a> <a href="http://www.bostonhigashi.org">www.bostonhigashi.org</a>
<b>Brandon Residential Treatment Center</b>  Brandon Intensive Day Program  D12	M 7-18  E	Joseph Tondorf 27 Winter Street  Natick MA 01760 508-655-6400 <a href="mailto:jtondorf@brandonschool.org">jtondorf@brandonschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.brandonschool.org">www.brandonschool.org</a>
<b>Brandon Residential Treatment Center</b>  Brandon Intensive Residential Program  R12	M 7-18  E	Joseph Tondorf 27 Winter Street  Natick MA 01760 508-655-6400 <a href="mailto:jtondorf@brandonschool.org">jtondorf@brandonschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.brandonschool.org">www.brandonschool.org</a>
<b>Bridge of Central MA, Inc.</b>  G. Stanley Hall School  D12	M/F 8-21  E/ SL	Jodie Rapping 4 Mann Street  Worcester MA 01602 508-755-3698 <a href="mailto:jodier@gstanleyhallschool.org">jodier@gstanleyhallschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.gstanleyhallschool.org">www.gstanleyhallschool.org</a>
<b>Brightside, Inc.</b>  Day Treatment Program  D12	M/F 5-16  E/ SL/ INT/ DD/ N	Ron Perrott 2112 Riverdale Street  West Springfield MA 01089 413-788-7366 <a href="mailto:ron.perrott@sphs.com">ron.perrott@sphs.com</a>

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<b><i>Brightside, Inc.</i></b>  Residential Education Program  R12	M/F 12-18  E/ SL/ INT/ DD/ N	Ron Perrott 2112 Riverdale Street  West Springfield MA 01089 413-788-7366 <a href="mailto:ron.perrott@sphs.com">ron.perrott@sphs.com</a>
<b><i>Broccoli Hall, Inc.</i></b>  Corwin-Russell School  D10	M/F 11-19  SL/ AUT/ N	Jane-Elisabeth Jakuc 142 North Road  Sudbury MA 01776 978-369-1444 <a href="mailto:brochall@corwin-russell.org">brochall@corwin-russell.org</a> <a href="http://www.corwin-russell.org">www.corwin-russell.org</a>
<b><i>Brockton Area Multi- Services, Inc.</i></b>  Metro South Academy  D12	M/F 12-22  E/ SL	Dennis Ashe 450 Pleasant Street  East Bridgewater MA 02333 508-584-0074 <a href="mailto:dasche@bamsi.org">dasche@bamsi.org</a> <a href="http://www.bamsi.org">www.bamsi.org</a>
<b><i>Cardinal Cushing Centers, Inc.</i></b>  Day Program  D11	M/F 6-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENV/ SENH/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H/ M	Michael Bloom 400 Washington Street  Hanover MA 02339 781-826-6371 <a href="mailto:mbloom@coletta.org">mbloom@coletta.org</a> <a href="http://www.coletta.org">www.coletta.org</a>
<b><i>Cardinal Cushing Centers, Inc.</i></b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 7-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/SENV/ SENH/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H/ M	Patricia Larson 85 Washington Street  Braintree MA 02184 781-848-6250 <a href="mailto:plarson@colletta.org">plarson@colletta.org</a> <a href="http://www.coletta.org">www.coletta.org</a>
<b><i>Cardinal Cushing Centers, Inc.</i></b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 6-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENV/ SENH/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H/ M	Michael Bloom 400 Washington Street  Hanover MA 02339 781-826-6371 <a href="mailto:mbloom@coletta.org">mbloom@coletta.org</a> <a href="http://www.coletta.org">www.coletta.org</a>
<b><i>Carroll School</i></b>  Day Program  D10	M/F 7-21  SL	Stephen M. Wilkins 25 Baker Bridge Road  Lincoln MA 01773 781-259-8342 <a href="mailto:mgebhard@carrollschool.org">mgebhard@carrollschool.org</a>

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DAY (D)/ RES (R) /SUMMER (S)  
NUMBER OF MONTHS

SEX  
AGE RANGE  
NEEDS SERVED

CONTACT  
ADDRESS  
TELEPHONE  
E-MAIL  
WEB PAGE

<b>Castle School, Inc.</b>	M/F	13-17	Linda Corwin 298 Harvard Street		
Residential Program	E/ SL		Cambridge	MA	02139
R12			617-354-5410 <a href="mailto:tbarnes@castleschool.org">tbarnes@castleschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.castleschool.org">www.castleschool.org</a>		
<b>Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Worcester</b>	M/F	6-22	Doreen Donovan-Barbera 25 West Chester Street		
Mercy Centre Level II	DD/ INT/ N/ COM/ SL/ M		Worcester	MA	01605
D10			508-852-7165 <a href="mailto:dbarbera@ccworc.org">dbarbera@ccworc.org</a> <a href="http://www.mercycentre.com">www.mercycentre.com</a>		
<b>Center for Human Development</b>	M/F	12-22	Rose Evans 69 Capital Drive		
PACE Center School	SENV/ E/ SL/ M		West Springfield	MA	01089
D10			413-737-2679 <a href="mailto:revans@chd.org">revans@chd.org</a> <a href="http://www.pace-school.org">www.pace-school.org</a>		
<b>Cerebral Palsy of Greater New Bedford</b>	M/F	3-22	Kimberli Bettencourt 374 Rockdale Avenue		
Schwartz Center Day School	M/ H/ AUT/ DD/ SENDB/ N		New Bedford	MA	02740
D12			508-996-3391 <a href="mailto:kimberlibettencourt@schwartzcenter.org">kimberlibettencourt@schwartzcenter.org</a> <a href="http://www.schwartzcenter.org">www.schwartzcenter.org</a>		
<b>Children's Study Home</b>	M/F	6-21	Julie James 91 Old Acre Road		
Latency Residential Program	E		Springfield	MA	01129
R12			413-783-0567 <a href="mailto:jjames@studyhome.org">jjames@studyhome.org</a>		
<b>Children's Study Home</b>	M/F	6-21	Julie James 91 Old Acre Road		
Mill Pond School Day Program	E		Springfield	MA	01129
D12			413-783-0567 <a href="mailto:jjames@studyhome.org">jjames@studyhome.org</a>		
<b>Clarke School for the Deaf</b>	M/F	3-7	Carolyn Jordan 1 Whitman Road		
Clarke School East	SENH		Canton	MA	02021
D10			781-821-3499 <a href="mailto:cjordan@clarke-east.org">cjordan@clarke-east.org</a> <a href="http://www.clarkeschool.org">www.clarkeschool.org</a>		

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<b>Clarke School for the Deaf</b>  Day Program  D10	M/F 5-15  SENH	Michael O'Connell 47 Round Hill Road  Northampton MA 01060 413-582-1190 <a href="mailto:moconnell@clarkeschool.org">moconnell@clarkeschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.clarkeschool.org">www.clarkeschool.org</a>
<b>Clarke School for the Deaf</b>  Preschool Day Program  D11	M/F 3-4  SENH	Janice Gatty 47 Round Hill Road  Northampton MA 01060 413-582-1116 <a href="mailto:jgatty@clarkeschool.org">jgatty@clarkeschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.clarkeschool.org">www.clarkeschool.org</a>
<b>Clarke School for the Deaf</b>  Residential Program  R10	M/F 5-15  SENH	Michael O'Connell 47 Round Hill Road  Northampton MA 01060 413-582-1190 <a href="mailto:moconnell@clarkeschool.org">moconnell@clarkeschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.clarkeschool.org">www.clarkeschool.org</a>
<b>Clearway School, Inc.</b>  Clearway School  D10	M/F 9-18  INT/ N/ SL	Mary Ryan 61 Chestnut Street  Netwon MA 02465 617-964-6186 <a href="mailto:clearwayid@aol.com">clearwayid@aol.com</a> <a href="http://www.clearwayschool.org">www.clearwayschool.org</a>
<b>Community Care Services, Inc.</b>  Southeast Alternative Schools- Berkley, Hyannis and Middleboro locations  D11	M/F 10-18  E/SL	Traci Wyse 49 Plymouth Street  Middleboro MA 02346 508-862-0288 <a href="mailto:twyse@com-care.org">twyse@com-care.org</a> <a href="http://www.communitycareservices.org">www.communitycareservices.org</a>
<b>Community Healthlink, Inc.</b>  Lipton Academy  D10	M/F 10-19  E/ M/ H	Kathy Lento 100 Erdman Way  Leominster MA 01453 978-537-3324 <a href="mailto:klento@communityhealthlink.org">klento@communityhealthlink.org</a>
<b>Community Providers of Adolescent Services, Inc.</b>  Compass Day Treatment & Education  D10	M/F 6-22  E	Anne Carol Malone 26 Sunnyside Street  Jamaica Plain MA 02130 617-524-2333 <a href="mailto:acmalone@rcn.com">acmalone@rcn.com</a> <a href="http://www.compassboston.org">www.compassboston.org</a>

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<b>Community Providers of Adolescent Services, Inc.</b>  Compass Short Term Crisis Program  D10	M/F 6-22  E	Anne Carol Malone  26 Sunnyside Street  Jamaica Plain MA 02130  617-524-2333 <a href="mailto:acmalone@rcn.com">acmalone@rcn.com</a> <a href="http://www.compassboston.org">www.compassboston.org</a>
<b>Community Therapeutic Day School</b>  Day Program  D10	M/F 3-12  AUT/ DD/ N/ E/ COM/ M	Nancy Fuller 187 Spring Street  Lexington MA 02421  781-861-7081 <a href="mailto:ctds1@verizon.net">ctds1@verizon.net</a> <a href="http://www.communitytherapeuticdayschool.com">www.communitytherapeuticdayschool.com</a>
<b>Community Therapeutic Day School</b>  Summer Program  D.S.	M/F 6-12  AUT/ DD/ N/ E/ COM/ M	Nancy Fuller 187 Spring Street  Lexington MA 02421  781-861-7081 <a href="mailto:ctds1@verizon.net">ctds1@verizon.net</a> <a href="http://www.communitiytherapeuticdayschool.com">www.communitiytherapeuticdayschool.com</a>
<b>Cotting School, Inc.</b>  Cotting Day  D10	M/F 7-22  INT/ SENV/ N/ COM/ PHY/ SL/ H/ M	Elizabeth Russell 453 Concord Avenue  Lexington MA 02421  781-862-7323 <a href="mailto:erussell@cotting.org">erussell@cotting.org</a> <a href="http://www.cotting.org">www.cotting.org</a>
<b>Cotting School, Inc.</b>  Cotting Summer  D.S.	M/F 7-22  DD/ INT/ SENV/ N/ COM/ PHY/ SL/ H/ M	Elizabeth Russell 453 Concord Avenue  Lexington MA 02421  781-862-7323 <a href="mailto:erussell@cotting.org">erussell@cotting.org</a> <a href="http://www.cotting.org">www.cotting.org</a>
<b>Cotting School, Inc.</b>  Intensive Services  D11	M/F 7-22  DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ N/ COM/ PHY/ SL/ H/ M	Elizabeth Russell 453 Concord Avenue  Lexington MA 02421  781-862-7323 <a href="mailto:erussell@cotting.org">erussell@cotting.org</a> <a href="http://www.cotting.org">www.cotting.org</a>
<b>Cotting School, Inc.</b>  Krebs Hall  D11	M/F 7-22  DD/ SENV/ N/ COM/ SL/ H	Elizabeth Russell 453 Concord Avenue  Lexington MA 02421  781-862-7323 <a href="mailto:erussell@cotting.org">erussell@cotting.org</a> <a href="http://www.cotting.org">www.cotting.org</a>

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<b><i>Crossroads Center for Children</i></b>  Crossroads Day Program  D12	M/F 3-16  AUT/PDD	JoAnne Emerle 126 Boston Post Road  Sudbury MA 01776 978-443-7711 <a href="mailto:danderson@crossroadscenter.org">danderson@crossroadscenter.org</a> <a href="http://www.crossroadscenters.org">www.crossroadscenters.org</a>
<b><i>Cutchins Programs for Children and Families, Inc.</i></b>  New Directions School  D12	M/F 8-19  DD/ E/ SL	Robin Mehler 78 Pomeroy Ter.  Nothampton MA 01060 413-584-1310 <a href="mailto:rmehler@cutchins.org">rmehler@cutchins.org</a>
<b><i>Devereux Center</i></b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 6-22  E/SL	Stephen Yerdon 60 Miles Road  Rutland MA 01543 508-886-4746 <a href="mailto:syerdon@devereux.org">syerdon@devereux.org</a>
<b><i>Devereux Center</i></b>  Residential Treatment Program  R12	M/F 6-22  E/SL	Stephen Yerdon 60 Miles Road  Rutland MA 01543 508-886-4746 <a href="mailto:syerdon@devereux.org">syerdon@devereux.org</a>
<b><i>Devereux Center</i></b>  West Meadow Program  R12	M/F 6-22  E/SL	Stephen Yerdon 60 Miles Road  Rutland MA 01543 508-886-4746 <a href="mailto:syerdon@devereux.org">syerdon@devereux.org</a>
<b><i>Doctor Franklin Perkins School, Inc.</i></b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 4-18  E/SL/H	Sharon Lowry 971 Main Street  Lancaster MA 01523 978-365-7376 <a href="mailto:slowry@perkinschool.org">slowry@perkinschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.perkinschool.org">www.perkinschool.org</a>
<b><i>Doctor Franklin Perkins School, Inc.</i></b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 4-16  E/SL/H	Heidi Smithburger 971 Main Street  Lancaster MA 01523 978-365-7376 <a href="mailto:hsmithburger@perkinschool.org">hsmithburger@perkinschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.perksinschool.org">www.perksinschool.org</a>

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<b>Eagleton School, Inc.</b>  Intensive Residential Program  R12	M 9-22  DD/ E/ PHY/ SL/ M	Dave Hastings 446 Monterey Road  Great Barrington MA 01230 413-528-4385 <a href="mailto:administrator@eagletonschool.com">administrator@eagletonschool.com</a>
<b>Educational Consultants of New England</b>  School for Accelerated Learning  D12	M/F 6-22  N/SL/DD/COM	Alexis Michaels 460 Totten Pond Road Suite 300  Waltham MA 02451 781-895-3200 <a href="mailto:info@stopthatbehavior.com">info@stopthatbehavior.com</a> <a href="http://www.stopthatbehavior.com">www.stopthatbehavior.com</a>
<b>Evergreen Center, Inc.</b>  Center for Basic Skills  R12	M/F 6-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ SENDB/ N/ E/ COM/ PHY/ H/ M	Robert Littleton 345 Fortune Blvd.  Milford MA 01757  5084782631 <a href="mailto:littleton@aol.com">littleton@aol.com</a> <a href="http://www.evergreencenter.org">www.evergreencenter.org</a>
<b>Evergreen Center, Inc.</b>  Center for Behavior Development  R12	M/F 6-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ N/ E/ COM/ PHY/ H/ M	Robert Littleton 345 Fortune Blvd.  Milford MA 01757  508-478-2631 <a href="mailto:littleton@aol.com">littleton@aol.com</a> <a href="http://www.evergreencenter.org">www.evergreencenter.org</a>
<b>F. L. Chamberlain School</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 13-22  E/ SL	Diane Wilson P.O. Box 778  Middleboro MA 02346 5089477825 <a href="mailto:dwilson@chamberlainschools.org">dwilson@chamberlainschools.org</a> <a href="http://www.chamberlainschool.org">www.chamberlainschool.org</a>
<b>Fall River Deaconess Home School</b>  Residential Program  R12	F 11-22  E/ INT/ COM/ H/ M	John Golden P.O. Box 2118  Fall River MA 02722 5086744847 <a href="mailto:prospect603@aol.com">prospect603@aol.com</a>
<b>Farr Academy</b>  Farr Academy Day Program  D10	M/F 12-19  E/ SL	Bonnie Culhane 71 Pearl Street  Cambridge MA 02139 617-492-4922 <a href="mailto:farr@farracademy.org">farr@farracademy.org</a>

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<b>Farr Academy</b>  Farr Academy Summer Program  D.S.	M/F 12-19  E/ SL	Pamela Davis-Edward 71 Pearl Street  Cambridge MA 02139 617-492-4922 <a href="mailto:farr@farracademy.org">farr@farracademy.org</a>
<b>Franciscan Children's Hospital &amp; Rehabilitation Center</b>  Kennedy Day School Program  D11	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/ E/ COM/ M	Bonnie Lanen 30 Warren Street  Boston MA 02135 617-254-3800  <a href="http://www.fch.com">www.fch.com</a>
<b>Germaine Lawrence, Inc.</b>  Residential Program  R12	F 10-18  E/ SL	Susan Hamilton 18 Claremont Avenue  Arlington MA 02474 781-648-6200 <a href="mailto:shamilton@germainelawrence.org">shamilton@germainelawrence.org</a> <a href="http://www.germainelawrence.org">www.germainelawrence.org</a>
<b>Gifford School, Inc.</b>  Gifford School Day Program  D10	M/F 8-18  N/ E/ SL	Michael Bassichis 177 Boston Post Road  Weston MA 02493 781-899-9500 <a href="mailto:mbassichis@gifford.org">mbassichis@gifford.org</a> <a href="http://www.gifford.org">www.gifford.org</a>
<b>Gifford School, Inc.</b>  Gifford School Summer Program  D.S.	M/F 8-18  N/ E/ SL	Michael Bassichis 177 Boston Post Road  Weston MA 02493 781-899-9500 <a href="mailto:mbassichis@gifford.org">mbassichis@gifford.org</a> <a href="http://www.gifford.org">www.gifford.org</a>
<b>Harbor Schools and Family Services</b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 12-19  AUT/ DD/ INT/ N/ E/ SL	Peter Collins 26 Rolfes Lane  Newbury MA 01951 978-462-3151 <a href="mailto:pcollins@harborschools.org">pcollins@harborschools.org</a> <a href="http://www.harborschools.org">www.harborschools.org</a>
<b>Harbor Schools and Family Services</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 13-18  INT/ N/ E/ SL	Peter Collins 26 Rolfes Lane  Newbury MA 01951 978-462-3151 <a href="mailto:pcollins@harborschools.org">pcollins@harborschools.org</a> <a href="http://www.harborschools.org">www.harborschools.org</a>

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<b>Health and Educational Services</b>  Cornerstones Day School  D12	M/F 6-12  E	Jennifer Beloff 35 Mitchell Rd.  Ipswich MA 01938 978-356-9321 <a href="mailto:ibeloff@hes-inc.org">ibeloff@hes-inc.org</a>
<b>Health and Educational Services</b>  Cornerstones Residential School  R12	M/F 6-12  E	Jennifer Beloff 6 Concordia Drive  Haverhill MA 01830 978-373-3086 <a href="mailto:ibeloff@hes-inc.org">ibeloff@hes-inc.org</a>
<b>Health and Educational Services</b>  Solstice Day School  D12	M/F 14-20  E	John Twombly P.O. Box 552 (Bowley Drive)  Rowley MA 01969 978-948-2346 <a href="mailto:Twomblyjohn@yahoo.com">Twomblyjohn@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Hillcrest Educational Centers</b>  Intensive Residential Treatment Program  R12	M/F 6-22  DD/ E/ SL/ M	Pat Greco P.O. Box 4699  Pittsfield MA 01202 413-449-7924 <a href="mailto:pgreco@hillcrestc.org">pgreco@hillcrestc.org</a>
<b>Hillcrest Educational Centers</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 6-22  DD/ E/ SL/ M	Pat Greco P.O. Box 4699  Pittsfield MA 01202 413-449-7924 <a href="mailto:pgreco@hillcrestc.org">pgreco@hillcrestc.org</a>
<b>Holden School, Inc.</b>  Day School  D10	M/F 13-22  E/ SL	Janice Brenner 8 Pearl Street  Charlestown MA 02129 617-242-3940 <a href="mailto:jbrenner@holdenschool.com">jbrenner@holdenschool.com</a>
<b>Home for Little Wanderers</b>  Baird Center Day School  D12	M 10-16  N/ E/ H/ M	Deborah White 900 Ship Pond Road  Plymouth MA 02360 508-224-8041 <a href="mailto:dwhite@thehome.org">dwhite@thehome.org</a> <a href="http://www.thehome.org">www.thehome.org</a>

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<b>Home for Little Wanderers</b>  Baird Residential Center  R12	M 10-16  N/ E/ H/ M	Deborah White 900 Ship Pond Road  Plymouth MA 02360 508-224-8041 <a href="mailto:dwhite@thehome.org">dwhite@thehome.org</a> <a href="http://www.thehome.org">www.thehome.org</a>
<b>Home for Little Wanderers</b>  Clifford School at Longview Farm  D12	M 11-16  E/ SL	Claudia Caskie 399 Lincoln Road P.O. Box 166  Walpole MA 02081 508-668-7703 <a href="mailto:ccaskie@thehome.org">ccaskie@thehome.org</a> <a href="http://www.thehome.org">www.thehome.org</a>
<b>Home for Little Wanderers</b>  Clifford School at Longview Farm  R12	M 11-16  E/ SL	Claudia Caskie 399 Lincoln Road P.O. Box 166  Walpole MA 02081 508-668-7703 <a href="mailto:ccaskie@thehome.org">ccaskie@thehome.org</a> <a href="http://www.thehome.org">www.thehome.org</a>
<b>Home for Little Wanderers</b>  Knight Children's Center  D12	M/F 5-12  DD/ INT/ E/ SL/ H	Pam Nolan 161 S. Huntington Ave.  Boston MA 02130 617-264-5349 <a href="mailto:pnolan@thehome.org">pnolan@thehome.org</a> <a href="http://www.thehome.org">www.thehome.org</a>
<b>Home for Little Wanderers</b>  Knight Children's Center  R12	M/F 5-12  DD/ INT/ E/ SL/ H	Pam Nolan 161 S. Huntington Ave.  Boston MA 02130 617-264-5349 <a href="mailto:pnolan@thehome.org">pnolan@thehome.org</a> <a href="http://www.thehome.org">www.thehome.org</a>
<b>Institute for Developmental Disabilities, Inc.</b>  Crystal Springs School - Main School  R12	M/F 3-21  AUT/ N/ DD/ INT/ M/ PHY	Charles Young 38 Narrows Road, P.O. Box 372  Assonet MA 02702 508-644-3101 <a href="mailto:css372@aol.com">css372@aol.com</a>
<b>Italian Home for Children</b>  Italian Home for Children Day Program  D12	M/F 4-13  AUT/ DD/ E/ SL	Jane Zopatti Lewis 1125 Center Street  Jamaica Plain MA 02130 617-522-2221 <a href="mailto:jane@italianhome.org">jane@italianhome.org</a>

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<b>Italian Home for Children</b>  Italian Home for Children Residential Program  R12	M/F 4-13  AUT/ DD/ E/ SL	Jane Zopatti Lewis 1125 Center Street  Jamaica Plain MA 02130 617-522-2221 <a href="mailto:jane@italianhome.org">jane@italianhome.org</a>
<b>Judge Baker Children's Center</b>  Manville School Day Program  D10	M/F 5-16  AUT/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H	James Prince 53 Parker Hill Avenue  Boston MA 02120 617-232-8390 <a href="mailto:jprince@jbcc.harvard.edu">jprince@jbcc.harvard.edu</a> <a href="http://www.jbcc.harvard.edu">www.jbcc.harvard.edu</a>
<b>Judge Baker Children's Center</b>  Manville School Summer Program  D.S.	M/F 5-16  AUT/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H	James Prince 53 Parker Hill Avenue  Boston MA 02120 617-232-8390 <a href="mailto:jprince@jbcc.harvard.edu">jprince@jbcc.harvard.edu</a> <a href="http://www.jbcc.harvard.edu">www.jbcc.harvard.edu</a>
<b>Judge Rotenberg Educational</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ SENDB/ N/ E/ COM/ PHY/ SL/ H/ M	Matthew Israel 240 Turnpike Street  Canton MA 02021 781-828-2202 <a href="mailto:m.israel@judgerc.org">m.israel@judgerc.org</a> <a href="http://www.judgerc.org">www.judgerc.org</a>
<b>Justice Resource Institute</b>  Berkshire Meadows  R12	M/F 3-21  M/ H/ COM/ PHY/ AUT/ DD/ N	Lisa Kelly 249 North Plain Road  Housatonic MA 01236 413-528-2523 <a href="mailto:lkelly@jri.org">lkelly@jri.org</a> <a href="http://www.jri.org">www.jri.org</a>
<b>Justice Resource Institute</b>  Meadowridge Behavioral Health Center - Swansea & Marlborough, Lexington and Concord  R12	M/F 12-22  E/ H/ SL/ M	Stephanie Ward 664 Stevens Road  Swansea MA 02777 508-677-0304 <a href="mailto:sward@jri.org">sward@jri.org</a> <a href="http://www.jri.org">www.jri.org</a>

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<b>Justice Resource Institute</b>	M/F 13-18	Eleanor Doak 380 Massachusetts Avenue
The Victor School	E	Acton MA 01720 978-264-3622 <a href="mailto:edoak@jri.org">edoak@jri.org</a> <a href="http://www.jri.org">www.jri.org</a>
D12		
<b>Kennedy Donovan Center, Inc.</b>	M/F 3-22	Dan Couet 19 Hawthorn Street
Developmental Day School	DD/ AUT/ H/ M/ E/ PHY	New Bedford MA 02740 508-992-4756 <a href="mailto:dan_couet@kdc.org">dan_couet@kdc.org</a> <a href="http://www.kdc.org">www.kdc.org</a>
D12		
<b>Kolburne School Inc.</b>	M/F 7-22	Mary Ann Weinstein 343 NM Southfield Road
Intensive Residential Program	DD/ INT/ E/ SL	New Marlborough MA 01230 413-229-8787 <a href="mailto:dferrusi@kolburne.net">dferrusi@kolburne.net</a>
R12		
<b>Lake Grove at Maple Valley, Inc.</b>	M 10-21	Eugene Donovan 6 Farley Road
Intensive Residential Program	I/SL/N/ E/ PHY/ H	Wendell MA 01379 978-544-6913 <a href="mailto:eugene_donovan@lgshc.org">eugene_donovan@lgshc.org</a>
R12		
<b>Landmark School, Inc.</b>	M/F 7-19	Dan Ahearn 429 Hale Street
Day School Program	SL	Prides Crossing MA 01965 978-236-3203 <a href="mailto:dchocrn@landmarkschool.org">dchocrn@landmarkschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.landmarkschool.org">www.landmarkschool.org</a>
D10		
<b>Landmark School, Inc.</b>	M/F 7-19	Dan Ahearn 429 Hale Street
Residential School Program	SL	Prides Crossing MA 01965 978-236-3203 <a href="mailto:dchocrn@landmarkschool.org">dchocrn@landmarkschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.landmarkschool.org">www.landmarkschool.org</a>
R10		

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<b>Latham Centers, Inc.</b>  Intensive Residential Program  R12	M/F 8-22  DD/ E/ INT	Darcie Fristo 1646 Main Street  Brewster MA 02631 508-896-5755 <a href="mailto:dfristoe@lathamcenters.org">dfristoe@lathamcenters.org</a>
<b>League School of Greater Boston</b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 3-21  AUT/ N	John Zbyszynski 300 Boston Providence Highway  Walpole MA 02032 508-850-3900 <a href="mailto:admissions@leagueschool.com">admissions@leagueschool.com</a> <a href="http://www.leagueschool.com">www.leagueschool.com</a>
<b>League School of Greater Boston</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 8-21  AUT/ N	John Zbyszynski 300 Boston Providence Highway  Walpole MA 02032 508-850-3900 <a href="mailto:admissions@leagueschool.com">admissions@leagueschool.com</a> <a href="http://www.leagueschool.com">www.leagueschool.com</a>
<b>Learning Center for Deaf Children</b>  Day Program  D10	M/F 3-21  SENDB	Michael Bello 848 Central Street  Framingham MA 01701 508-879-5110 <a href="mailto:mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org">mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org</a>
<b>Learning Center for Deaf Children</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 3-21  SENDB	Michael Bello 848 Central Street  Framingham MA 01701 508-879-5110 <a href="mailto:mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org">mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org</a>
<b>Learning Center for Deaf Children</b>  Residential Program  R10	M/F 3-21  SENDB	Michael Bello 848 Central Street  Framingham MA 01701 508-879-5110 <a href="mailto:mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org">mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org</a>
<b>Learning Center for Deaf Children</b>  Walden School  R12	M/F 8-21  SENDB/ M	Michael Bello 848 Central Street  Framingham MA 01701 508-879-5110 <a href="mailto:mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org">mike_bello@tlcdeaf.org</a>

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<b><i>Lighthouse School, Inc.</i></b>	M/F 5-21	Steve Ferland 25 Wellman Avenue
Comprehensive Day School	AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ N/ E/ COM/ M	Chelmsford MA 01863 978-251-4050 <a href="mailto:stevef@lighthouseschool.org">stevef@lighthouseschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.lighthouseschool.org">www.lighthouseschool.org</a>
D10		
<b><i>Little People's School</i></b>	M/F 8-22	Nancy Rosoff 1507 Washington Street
Learning Prep School	AUT/ N/ E/ COM/ SL	Newton MA 02465 617-965-0764 <a href="mailto:NRosoff@learningprep.org">NRosoff@learningprep.org</a> <a href="http://www.learningprep.org">www.learningprep.org</a>
D10		
<b><i>Massachusetts Association for the Blind</i></b>	M/F 13-21	Ron Allen 200 Ivy Street
Ivy Street School	DD/ N	Brookline MA 02446 617-238-5110 <a href="mailto:rallen@mabind.org">rallen@mabind.org</a> <a href="http://www.mabcommunity.org">www.mabcommunity.org</a>
R12		
<b><i>Massachusetts Foundation/Learning Disabilities</i></b>	M/F 9-18	David Drake 533 North Road
White Oak Day School	SL	Westfield MA 01085 413-562-9500 <a href="mailto:d Drake@whiteoakschool.org">d Drake@whiteoakschool.org</a>
D10		
<b><i>Massasoit School</i></b>	M/F 7-21	James Bertram 6 Columbian Street
Granite Academy Day Program	DD/ INT/ E/	Braintree MA 02184 781-380-3917 <a href="mailto:jbertram@massasoit.org">jbertram@massasoit.org</a> <a href="http://www.massasoit.org">www.massasoit.org</a>
D11		
<b><i>May Institute, Inc.</i></b>	M/F 6-22	Loren Singer 41 Pacella Park Drive
May Center for Child Development - Randolph Residential	AUT/ DD	Randolph MA 02358 781-437-1300 <a href="mailto:lsinger@mayinstitute.org">lsinger@mayinstitute.org</a> <a href="http://www.mayinstitute.org">www.mayinstitute.org</a>
R12		
<b><i>May Institute, Inc.</i></b>	M/F 5-22	Susan Thibadeau Box 708, 100 Sea View Street
May Center for Child Development - Chatham	AUT/ DD	Chatham MA 02633 508-945-1147 <a href="mailto:sthibadeau@mayinstitute.org">sthibadeau@mayinstitute.org</a> <a href="http://www.mayinstitute.org">www.mayinstitute.org</a>
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<b>May Institute, Inc.</b>	M/F 3-22	Loren Singer 41 Pacella Park Drive
May Center for Child Development - Randolph Day	AUT/ DD	Randolph MA 02358 781-437-1300 <a href="mailto:lsinger@mayinstitute.org">lsinger@mayinstitute.org</a> <a href="http://www.mayinstitute.org">www.mayinstitute.org</a>
D12		
<b>May Institute, Inc.</b>	M/F 5-22	Jeffrey Skowron 596 Summer Street
May Center for Education and Neurorehabilitation Day Program	N/ INT/ M	Brockton MA 02302 508-588-8800 <a href="mailto:jskowron@mayinstitute.org">jskowron@mayinstitute.org</a> <a href="http://www.mayinstitute.org">www.mayinstitute.org</a>
D12		
<b>May Institute, Inc.</b>	M/F 5-22	Jeffrey Skowron 596 Summer Street
May Center for Education and Neurorehabilitation Residential Program	N/ INT/ M	Brockton MA 02302 508-588-8800 <a href="mailto:jskowron@mayinstitute.org">jskowron@mayinstitute.org</a> <a href="http://www.mayinstitute.org">www.mayinstitute.org</a>
R12		
<b>May Institute, Inc.</b>	M/F 3-22	Alan Harchik 511 Main Street
May Center for Child Development - West Springfield	AUT/DD	West Springfield MA 01089 413-785-5462 <a href="mailto:aharchik@mayinsitute.org">aharchik@mayinsitute.org</a> <a href="http://www.mayinstitute.org">www.mayinstitute.org</a>
D12		
<b>McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys, Inc.</b>	M 6-13	Janet Ballentine 77 Mulberry Street
Residential Program	DD/ INT/ N/ E/ SL	Leicester MA 01524 508-892-4886 <a href="mailto:naz1901@verizon.net">naz1901@verizon.net</a>
R12		
<b>McLean Hospital</b>	M/F 13-19	Karen Clasby 115 Mill Street
Arlington School Day	E	Belmont MA 02478 617-855-2124 <a href="mailto:arlington@mcleanpo.mclean.org">arlington@mcleanpo.mclean.org</a> <a href="http://www.mclean.harvard.edu">www.mclean.harvard.edu</a>
D11		
<b>McLean Hospital</b>	M/F 7-22	Helen Murgida 115 Mill Street
Center for Neuronintegrative Services (CNS Pathways Academy)	AUT/ DD/ SL	Belmont MA 02478 617-855-2833 <a href="mailto:murgidh@mcleanpo.mclean.org">murgidh@mcleanpo.mclean.org</a> <a href="http://www.mclean.harvard.edu">www.mclean.harvard.edu</a>
D12		

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<b>Melmark New England</b>  Day School Program  D12	M/F 4-22  AUT/ DD/ N	Rita Gardner 50 Tower Office Park  Woburn MA 01827 781-932-9211 <a href="mailto:rgardner@melmarkne.org">rgardner@melmarkne.org</a> <a href="http://www.melmarkne.org">www.melmarkne.org</a>
<b>Melmark New England</b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 4-22  AUT/ DD/ N	Rita Gardner 50 Tower Office Park  Woburn MA 01827 781-932-9211 <a href="mailto:rgardner@melmarkne.org">rgardner@melmarkne.org</a> <a href="http://www.melmarkne.org">www.melmarkne.org</a>
<b>Nashoba Learning Group</b>  Day Program  D12	M.F. 3-22  AUT	Maureen Vibert 10B Church Street  Westford MA 01886 978-589-5190 <a href="mailto:maureen.vibert@nashobalearninggroup.org">maureen.vibert@nashobalearninggroup.org</a> <a href="http://www.nashobalearninggroup.org">www.nashobalearninggroup.org</a>
<b>New England Academy</b>  Day Program  D11	M/F 12-22  E/SL	Ryan Plosker 500 Cummings Center Suite 1100  Beverly MA 01915 978-921-1103 <a href="mailto:rplosker@NewEnglandAcademy.net">rplosker@NewEnglandAcademy.net</a> <a href="http://www.NewEnglandAcademy.net">www.NewEnglandAcademy.net</a>
<b>New England Adolescent Research Institute, Inc.</b>  NEARI School  D12	M/F 9-22  INT/ SENH/ SENV/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H/ M	Steven Bengis 70 North Summer Street  Holyoke MA 01040 413-540-0712 <a href="mailto:SBengis@aol.com">SBengis@aol.com</a> <a href="http://www.neari.com">www.neari.com</a>
<b>New England Center for Children, Inc.</b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD/ INT	Katherine Foster 33 Turnpike Road  Southboro MA 01772 508-481-1015 <a href="mailto:kfoster@necc.org">kfoster@necc.org</a> <a href="http://www.necc.org">www.necc.org</a>
<b>New England Center for Children, Inc.</b>  Intensive Instruction Program  D12	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD/ INT	Katherine Foster 33 Turnpike Road  Southboro MA 01772 508-481-1015 <a href="mailto:kfoster@necc.org">kfoster@necc.org</a> <a href="http://www.necc.org">www.necc.org</a>

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<b><i>New England Center for Children, Inc.</i></b>  Intermediate Residential Program  R12	M/F 3-22  AUT/DD/INT	Katherine Foster 33 Turnpike Road  Southboro MA 01772 508-421-1015 <a href="mailto:kfoster@necc.org">kfoster@necc.org</a> <a href="http://www.necc.org">www.necc.org</a>
<b><i>New England Center for Children, Inc.</i></b>  Residential Program  R12	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD/ INT	Katherine Foster 33 Turnpike Road  Southboro MA 01772 508-481-1015 <a href="mailto:kfoster@necc.org">kfoster@necc.org</a> <a href="http://www.necc.org">www.necc.org</a>
<b><i>New England Center for Children, Inc.</i></b>  Severe Program  R12	M/F 3-22  AUT/ DD	Katherine Foster 33 Turnpike Road  Southboro MA 01772 508-481-1015 <a href="mailto:kfoster@necc.org">kfoster@necc.org</a> <a href="http://www.necc.org">www.necc.org</a>
<b><i>New England Pediatric Care</i></b>  Day Program  D12	M/F 3-21  DD/ SENH/ SENV/ SENDB/ COM/ PHY/ M	Jack McDonald 78 Boston Road  Billerica MA 01862 978-667-5123 <a href="mailto:nepckids@aol.com">nepckids@aol.com</a>
<b><i>Northampton Healthcare Associates, LLC</i></b>  Hallmark Developmental School  D12	M/F 3-22  DD/ H	Lisa Terry-Jakshtis 737 Bridge Road  Northampton MA 01060 413-586-3300 <a href="mailto:ljakshtis@northnh.net">ljakshtis@northnh.net</a>
<b><i>Northeast Center for Youth and Families, Inc.</i></b>  Day Program (Tri-County Schools)  D10	M/F 6-22  E	Stephen Dion 201 East Street  Easthampton MA 01027 413-529-1170 <a href="mailto:steve.dion@tcyp.org">steve.dion@tcyp.org</a> <a href="http://www.tcyp.org/education">www.tcyp.org/education</a>
<b><i>Northeast Center for Youth and Families, Inc.</i></b>  Summer Program (Tri-County Schools)  D.S.	M/F 6-22  E	Stephen Dion 201 East Street  Easthampton MA 01027 413-529-1170 <a href="mailto:steve.dion@tcyp.org">steve.dion@tcyp.org</a> <a href="http://www.tcyp.org/education">www.tcyp.org/education</a>

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<b>Northeast Family Institute, Inc.</b>  Riverside School  R12	M 7-16  E	Gregg Williams 34 Berry Road  Lowell MA 01854 978-937-1995 <a href="mailto:greggwilliams@nafi.com">greggwilliams@nafi.com</a>
<b>Penikese Island School</b>  Residential Program  R12	M 13-18  E/ SL	Pam Brighton 565 Woods Hole Road  Woods Hole MA 02543 508-457-9580 <a href="mailto:info@penikese.org">info@penikese.org</a> <a href="http://www.penikese.org">www.penikese.org</a>
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>  Blind Day  D12	M/F 3-22  SENV/ N/ PHY/ DD	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street  Watertown MA 02472 617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>  Blind Residential  R12	M/F 3-22  SENV/ N/ PHY/ DD	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street  Watertown MA 02472 617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>  DeafBlind/Deaf/Multi-Impaired Special Services Day  D12	M/F 3-22  SENV/ SEND/ N/ M/ SENDB/ PHY/ DD	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street  Watertown MA 02472 617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>  DeafBlind/Deaf/Multi-Impaired Special Services Residential  R12	M/F 3-22  SENDB/ N/ M/ SENV/ DD/ PHY	John Donahue 175 North Beacon  Watertown MA 02472 617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>  Multi-Impaired Day  D12	M/F 3-22  M/ N/ SENV/ SENB/ PHY/ DD	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street  Watertown MA 02472 617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>

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<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>	M/F	3-22	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street		
Multi-Impaired Residential	M/ SENV/ SENDB/ N/ PHY/ DD		Watertown	MA	02472
R12			617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>		
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>	M/F	3-22	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street		
Severely Impaired Day	DD/ SENV/ SENDB/ N/ PHY/ M		Watertown	MA	02472
D12			617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>		
<b>Perkins School for the Blind</b>	M/F	3-22	John Donahue 175 North Beacon Street		
Severely Impaired Residential	DD/ SENV/ N/ PHY/ M/ SENDB		Watertown	MA	02472
R12			617-972-7271 <a href="mailto:John.Donahue@Perkins.org">John.Donahue@Perkins.org</a>		
<b>Professional Center for Child Development</b>	M/F	3-7	Susan Buehler 32 Osgood Street		
Day School	AUT/ DD/ INT/ SENH/ SENV/ SEND/ N/ COM/ PHY/ H/ M		Andover	MA	01810
D11			978-475-3806 <a href="mailto:veryl@theprofessionalcenter.org">veryl@theprofessionalcenter.org</a>		
<b>Protestant Guild for Human Services, Inc.</b>	M/F	6-22	Audrey Macmillan 411 Waverley Oaks Road		
Day Program	AUT/ DD/ COM/ INT		Waltham	MA	02145
D12			781-893-6000 <a href="mailto:amacmillan@protestantguild.org">amacmillan@protestantguild.org</a> <a href="http://www.protestantguild.org">www.protestantguild.org</a>		
<b>Protestant Guild for Human Services, Inc.</b>	M/F	6-22	Audrey Macmillan 411 Waverley Oaks Road		
Residential Program	AUT/ DD/ COM/ INT		Waltham	MA	02145
R12			781-893-6000 <a href="mailto:amacmillan@protestantguild.org">amacmillan@protestantguild.org</a> <a href="http://www.protestantguild.org">www.protestantguild.org</a>		
<b>Radius Management</b>	M/F	3-22	Linda White 123 South Street		
Mayflower Pediatric Day School at Plymouth	M		Plymouth	MA	02360
D12			508-746-4343 <a href="mailto:lwhite@radiusmanagement.com">lwhite@radiusmanagement.com</a>		

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<b>Reed Academy</b>	M 7-18	Diane Engel 1 Winch Street
Reed Academy- Residential R12	AUT/ DD/ INT/ N/ E/ H/ SL/ M	Framingham MA 01701 508-877-1222 <a href="mailto:diane.engel@verizon.net">diane.engel@verizon.net</a>
<b>Riverview School</b>	M/F 10-19	Grace Day 551 Route 6A
Residential Program R10	A/ M/ INT/ SL/ COM/ DD/ N	E. Sandwich MA 02537 508-888-0489 <a href="mailto:gday@riverviewschool.org">gday@riverviewschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.riverviewschool.org">www.riverviewschool.org</a>
<b>Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps</b>	M/F 13-20	David Madeloni 15 Papineau Street
Experiment With Travel D12	E/ COM/ SL/ M	Holyoke MA 01040 413-533-5800 <a href="mailto:dmadeloni@rfkchildren.org">dmadeloni@rfkchildren.org</a> <a href="http://www.rfkchildren.org">www.rfkchildren.org</a>
<b>Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps</b>	M 6-17	Valerie Paen 220 Old Common Road
Lancaster School R12	INT/ E/ SL/H	Lancaster MA 01523 978-365-2803 <a href="mailto:vpaen@rfkchildren.org">vpaen@rfkchildren.org</a> <a href="http://www.rfkchildren.org">www.rfkchildren.org</a>
<b>Saint Ann's Home, Inc.</b>	M/F 6-16	Teresa Jones 100A Haverhill Street
Day Treatment and Education D12	DD/ INT/ N/ E/ SL/ M	Methuen MA 01844 978-682-5276 <a href="mailto:tjones@st.annshome.org">tjones@st.annshome.org</a> <a href="http://www.st.annshome.org">www.st.annshome.org</a>
<b>Saint Ann's Home, Inc.</b>	M/F 5-16	Teresa Jones 100A Haverhill Street
Residential Treatment and Education R12	DD INT/ N/ E/ SL/ M	Methuen MA 01844 978-682-5276 <a href="mailto:tjones@st.annshome.org">tjones@st.annshome.org</a> <a href="http://www.st.annshome.org">www.st.annshome.org</a>
<b>Saint Vincent's</b>	M/F 6-22	John T. Weldon 2425 Highland Avenue
Day Program D12	E/INT/SL	Fall River MA 02720 508-679-8511 <a href="mailto:jweldon@st.vincentshome.org">jweldon@st.vincentshome.org</a> <a href="http://www.st.vincentshome.org">www.st.vincentshome.org</a>

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<b>Saint Vincent's</b>	M/F 6-22	John T. Weldon 2425 Highland Avenue
Residential School Program	E/ INT/ SL	Fall River MA 02720
R12		508-679-8511 <a href="mailto:jweldon@stvincentshome.org">jweldon@stvincentshome.org</a> <a href="http://www.stvincentshome.org">www.stvincentshome.org</a>
<b>Schools for Children, Inc.</b>	M/F 5-21	Howard Rossman 34 Winter St.
Dearborn Academy	E/ SL/ M	Arlington MA 02474
D12		781-641-5992 <a href="mailto:hrossman@sfcinc.org">hrossman@sfcinc.org</a> <a href="http://www.sfcinc.org">www.sfcinc.org</a>
<b>Schools for Children, Inc.</b>	M/F 5-21	Howard Rossman 34 Winter St.
Dearborn Summer Academy	SL/ E/ M	Arlington MA 02474
D.S.		781-641-5992 <a href="mailto:hrossman@sfcinc.org">hrossman@sfcinc.org</a> <a href="http://www.sfcinc.org">www.sfcinc.org</a>
<b>Schools for Children, Inc.</b>	M/F 14-21	Alex Tsonas 197 8th Street
Seaport Campus	E/SL/M	Charlestown MA 02129
D11		617-241-3871 <a href="mailto:atsonas@sfcinc.org">atsonas@sfcinc.org</a> <a href="http://www.sfcinc.org">www.sfcinc.org</a>
<b>Seven Hills at Groton</b>	M/F 3-22	Mary Cassidy Conway 22 Hillside Avenue
Residential Program	M/ PHY	Groton MA 01450
R12		978-448-3388 <a href="mailto:mconway@sevenhills.org">mconway@sevenhills.org</a> <a href="http://www.sevenhillsfoundation.org">www.sevenhillsfoundation.org</a>
<b>Seven Hills Clinical Associates</b>	M/F 5-21	Thomas Montineurro 22 Grants Road
Seven Hills Academy Day Program	DD/AUT/SLD	Devens MA 01434
D12		978-772-7170 <a href="mailto:kcleary@sevenhills.org">kcleary@sevenhills.org</a> <a href="http://www.sevenhillsfoundation.org">www.sevenhillsfoundation.org</a>
<b>Stetson School, Inc</b>	M 9-22	Jeanne Hackney 455 South Street P.O. Box 309
Residential Program	DD/ INT/ E/ H/ M	Barre MA 01005
R12		978-355-4541 <a href="mailto:jhackney@stetsonschool.org">jhackney@stetsonschool.org</a>

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<b>Stevens Children's Home</b>  Residential Treatment Program  R12	M 11-22  E/ M	Patricia Golden 24 Main Street  Swansea MA 02777 508-679-0183 <a href="mailto:pgolden@stevenshome.org">pgolden@stevenshome.org</a> <a href="http://www.stevenshome.org">www.stevenshome.org</a>
<b>The School, Inc.</b>  River Valley Academy  D11	M/F 3-22  E/ SL	Ingrid Arvidson 130 Race Street  Holyoke MA 01040 413-536-2160 <a href="mailto:iarvidson@rvacademy.org">iarvidson@rvacademy.org</a>
<b>Valley West School</b>  Day Program  D10	M/F 6-22  AUT/ INT/ N/ E/	Gail Levy 269 Moore Street  Chicopee MA 01013 413-592-6069 <a href="mailto:valley.west@verizon.net">valley.west@verizon.net</a>
<b>Valley West School</b>  Summer Program  D.S.	M/F 6-22  AUT/ INT/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ H/ M	Gail Levy 269 Moore Street  Chicopee MA 01013 413-592-6069 <a href="mailto:valley.west@verizon.net">valley.west@verizon.net</a>
<b>Valleyhead, Inc.</b>  Basic Care Residential Program  R12	F 12-22  DD/ INT/ E/ SL	Charles Jajesnica P.O. Box 714  Lenox MA 01240 413-637-3635 <a href="mailto:cjajesnica@valleyhead.org">cjajesnica@valleyhead.org</a>
<b>Valleyhead, Inc.</b>  Intensive Residential Program  R12	F 12-22  DD/ INT/ E/ SL	Charles Jajesnica P.O. Box 714  Lenox MA 01240 413-637-3635 <a href="mailto:cjajesnica@valleyhead.org">cjajesnica@valleyhead.org</a>
<b>Walker Home and School</b>  Beacon High School  D10	M/F 15-22  DD/ N/ E/ COM/ SL/ M	Nancy Lincoln 74 Green Street  Brookline MA 02492 617-232-1958  <a href="http://www.walker.org">www.walker.org</a>

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<b>Walker Home and School</b>  Intensive Residential Program  R12	M/F 6-14  DD/ N/ E/ COM/ SENH/ SENV/ SL/ M/ I	Michael Carter 1968 Central Avenue  Needham MA 02492 781-449-4500 <a href="mailto:mcarter@walkerschool.org">mcarter@walkerschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.walkerschool.org">www.walkerschool.org</a>
<b>Walker Home and School</b>  Walker Day Treatment and Education  D10	M/F 5-14  DD/ N/ E/ COM/ SENH/ SENV/ SL/ M/ I	Michael Carter 1968 Central Avenue  Needham MA 02492 781-449-4500 <a href="mailto:mcarter@walkerschool.org">mcarter@walkerschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.walkerschool.org">www.walkerschool.org</a>
<b>Wayside Youth &amp; Family Support Network</b>  Day Program  D12	M 12-17  INT/E/SL/H	Toby Peterson 75 Fountain Street  Framingham MA 01702 508-879-9800 <a href="mailto:toby_peterson@waysideyouth.org">toby_peterson@waysideyouth.org</a>
<b>Wayside Youth &amp; Family Support Network</b>  Residential Program  R12	M 12-17  INT/ E/ SL/ H	Dennis Miles 75 Fountain Street  Framingham MA 01702 508-879-9800 <a href="mailto:dennis_miles@waysideyouth.org">dennis_miles@waysideyouth.org</a>
<b>Whitney Academy, Inc.</b>  Intensive: Sexualized Behavior  R12	M 10-22  E/ SL/ INT	George Harmon P.O. Box 619 /85 Drive Braley Road  E. Freetown MA 02717 508-763-3541 <a href="mailto:gharmon@whitney-info.com">gharmon@whitney-info.com</a>
<b>Willie Ross School for the Deaf</b>  Willie Ross School Early Childhood -High School  D10	M/F 3-22  SENV/ C/ M	Louis Abbate 32 Norway Street  Longmeadow MA 01106 413-567-0374 <a href="mailto:labbate@willierossschool.org">labbate@willierossschool.org</a>
<b>Willow Hill School</b>  Willow Hill Day School  D10	M/F 11-19  AUT/ N/ SL	Rhonda Taft-Farrell 98 Haynes Road  Sudbury MA 01776 978-443-2581 <a href="mailto:taftfarrell@willowhillschool.org">taftfarrell@willowhillschool.org</a>

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<b><i>Youth Opportunities Upheld, Inc.</i></b>	F 12-20	Kathleen Buchanan 83 Hospital Road P.O. Box 38
Cottage Hill Academy	E/SL/ H	Baldwinville MA 01436 978 652-1123 <a href="mailto:buchanank@youthinc.org">buchanank@youthinc.org</a> <a href="http://www.youinc.org">www.youinc.org</a>
R12		
<b><i>Youth Opportunities Upheld, Inc.</i></b>	M/F 10-21	Tom O'Malley 81 Plantation Street
Educational Program (Kathleen Burns Preparatory School McGrath Educational Center)	E/ SL/ H	Worcester MA 01604 508-849-5600 <a href="mailto:omalleyt@youinc.org">omalleyt@youinc.org</a> <a href="http://www.youinc.org">www.youinc.org</a>
D12		



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### OUT-OF-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

#### ***Massachusetts Department of Education (MDOE) Policy Regarding the Approval of Private Out-of-State Programs Providing Special Education Services to Massachusetts Students, Including Requests for Authorization for Pricing of Such Programs***

**Effective: May 1, 1997 and updated April 1, 2002**

#### **A. Background**

Local school districts, through the Massachusetts special education Team process, have full responsibility to determine what services are necessary for a student with special education needs. Placement decisions are made at the local level and *districts are expected to give preference to approved in-state programs*. If the local school district Team determines that necessary services cannot be provided in Massachusetts, then local school districts may identify appropriate out-of-state special education programs. Currently, all New England states have approval requirements for private special education schools located in their state. According to federal special education law, all state education agencies have oversight responsibilities for programs serving students with disabilities.

#### **B. Regulatory and Authorizing Environment**

The Massachusetts legislature has consistently appropriated funds to assist in the costs of special education services. The MDOE is the state agency responsible for the administration of any funds provided to MDOE for this purpose.

The Office of the Comptroller, by policy and historical procedure, requires documentation from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Administration and Finance, Operational Services Division (OSD) of a rate approval prior to authorizing release of state funds from MDOE. MDOE approves out-of-state programs primarily to enable OSD to set rates, and only then for the purposes of disbursing funds directly from accounts managed by MDOE.

#### **C. School District Responsibility**

Massachusetts special education regulations are clear that primary responsibility to ensure appropriateness of placement for students with disabilities rests with the local school district. A school district may place a student in an out-of-state program if no appropriate special education program is available in Massachusetts and the district believes that the out-of-state program is able to provide the services on the approved IEP for the student. In the case of an out-of-state program that has been approved by the host state, the responsible school district must request and maintain in the student's file current documentation of the host state's approval. Further, the school district must ensure that the tuition charged for out-of-state programs is either approved by the host state, or is the lowest rate charged to students with similar presenting needs.

#### **D. Massachusetts State Funding and State Approval**

An out-of-state program, in cooperation with a Massachusetts school district, may initiate activities with MDOE to obtain program approval. Once approval is obtained from the MDOE, out-of-state programs are eligible for rate approval through OSD. Program approval from MDOE and pricing approval from OSD are always necessary for private programs enrolling publicly funded Massachusetts special education students.

### Program Approval:

At the request of the out-of-state program, and in coordination with a Massachusetts school district, the MDOE may "approve" out-of-state programs upon receipt of documentation showing (a) the intent of a Massachusetts school district to place a student in the out-of-state program, and (b) approval from the host state to operate as a private special education school. MDOE may issue a three (3) year "approval" to the out-of-state program and will forward such approval to the OSD for pricing. MDOE may deny any approval if it deems that circumstances warrant such action. MDOE program approval will remain current for either three (3) years from the date of the initial approval or until the end of the program session (if placement is made mid-session), whichever is longer. Out-of-state programs may accept other Massachusetts students without additional documentation during the three (3) year period of approval. Out-of-state programs with lapsed approvals from the MDOE must reapply if a continuing three (3) year approval is desired. If the out-of-state program is not approved by the host state, the approval process becomes subject to authorization of pricing requirements outlined below.

Once a Massachusetts "approval" status for a program is no longer current, the OSD will no longer be obligated to set annual rates until documentation is updated showing (a) presence of Massachusetts enrolled students and (b) approval from the host state. **It is the responsibility of the Massachusetts school district or the out-of-state program to initiate and/or reinstate this three (3) year approval.**

### Tuition Rate Approval:

Rate approval from OSD will be contingent on current MDOE approval and submission of annual pricing documentation. The Massachusetts OSD will issue annual rate approval letters that will be used in state purchasing activity in relation to tuition payments to out-of-state programs.

- (a) For out-of-state programs existing in states with a state agency rate setting procedure, the OSD will require documentation showing the rate set by the host state and will approve such rate for Massachusetts students.
- (b) If the host state has no rate setting procedures, the OSD will generally accept a tuition rate consistent with the tuition that would be paid for students enrolled in the program by the host state and will require documentation demonstrating that the rate is the lowest rate charged for the service. Massachusetts' OSD will exercise judgment as to whether additional documentation may be required for programs operating in states with no rate approval procedures.

## **E. Program Responsibility & Monitoring:**

### Program responsibility:

The Massachusetts school district placing a student in an out-of-state special education program remains responsible to ensure that the program and services are appropriate. The school district is responsible to initiate a contract with the out-of-state program, arrange for services, conduct Team meetings and annual review procedures, and make whatever site visits it deems necessary to ensure appropriate services for the student, including verification of the use of qualified personnel.

### Monitoring:

The MDOE will monitor out-of-state programs in the following manner: MDOE will accept evidence of approval status from the host state as sufficient evidence of active state oversight. However, if a problem is identified, the MDOE has duties to conduct investigations and ensure that Massachusetts students receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE). In such cases, the MDOE may request the Massachusetts school district to conduct an investigation, may contact the Department of Education in the host state, or may conduct an independent onsite investigation if it deems such action necessary. Massachusetts program approval status may be withdrawn by MDOE at its discretion.

As part of MDOE's oversight responsibilities, in the course of routine Coordinated Program Review procedures in all districts, MDOE will conduct targeted reviews of Massachusetts LEA documentation, LEA monitoring of out-of-state programs, and other procedures ensuring appropriate services for students placed in out-of-state special education programs.

**F. Requests for Authorization of Pricing for Out-of-State Programs:**

No placements of Massachusetts students may be made in out-of-state programs without approval of the program by the host state. If the host state does not have an approval process, then the program must provide to the placing school district documentation of the program's reputable accreditation. All Massachusetts general requirements for out-of-district placements [603 C.M.R. 28.06 (3)] apply to such placements, and, for those programs that are not approved by Massachusetts pursuant to the procedures above, the requirements for the use of unapproved programs [603 C.M.R. 28.06(3)(e)] also apply. In such circumstances, MDOE will request that OSD authorize a price for an individual student's placement. Such requests for authorization of pricing of out-of-state programs must be renewed each year.

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If further guidance is needed to complete Massachusetts Department of Education requirements regarding the approval of private out-of-state programs providing special education services to Massachusetts students, including requests for authorization for the pricing of such programs, please consult with the Program Quality Assurance Services Coordinator of Private School Approval, (781) 338-3700.