



## What Special Education Programs Are Available?

### Autistic Support

Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Autistic Support provides services to children who have been diagnosed with autism and identified as currently needing an individualized level of intervention in the areas of communication, social cognition, and behavior. Autistic support collaborates with district staff members and families to support the child to achieve skills, knowledge, and independence in order to be successful in the school environment. Itinerant teachers work directly and indirectly with students to develop effective and appropriate modes of communication, to increase the receptivity and capacity for learning, and support the student to develop adaptive behaviors that will enable the child to be successful and participate independently in a variety of settings and activities.