

Resource Room Supports & Case Manager Consultation

All Allen Park Public Schools offer Special Education support on a case manager consultant basis and in the form of resource room for those Special Education eligible students who need that level of support. Case Manager consultant service involves a student's case manager working in partnership with general education teaching staff to help support student achievement.

Resource Room support is for students who have been determined to need an additional level of support beyond consultation. At the elementary level this may involve pull-out services in which the student works directly with a Special Education teacher in small groups to address skill deficits, or push-in services in which the Special Education teacher works with eligible students within their general education classroom settings.

At the secondary level, resource room, or "fundamental" classes may be offered in the core subject areas of English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies. Such classes are taught by a Special Education teacher. Push-in services at this level take the form of co-teaching. Co-teaching involves a Special Education teacher supporting and co-instructing a group of special education students who are mainstreamed in a general education classroom setting.

With the above mentioned level of support, Special Education eligible students are taught curriculum consistent with the Michigan State Standards regardless of whether they are in a general education classroom or a resource room setting. It is important to note; however, that accommodations may be necessary for some Special Education eligible students to better access the curriculum and/or demonstrate their knowledge of that curriculum.