Referral Process

Students are enrolled in Katherine Johnson Education Center from their home school within the District 742 educational system.

Questions about the program can be directed to:

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Program & Building Hours

- Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Students K-12: 9:15 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.
- InStep 18-22 Program: 8:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Students attending school at Katherine Johnson Education Center have been placed as a result of emotional and behavioral challenges they experience. Consequently, in addition to providing a well-rounded academic curriculum that allows the student the opportunity to progress toward a goal of graduation from their home school, another primary focus of the school program is to identify interfering behaviors that may occur in an instructional setting and teach the skills necessary to assist students in making better decisions.

In order for students to experience success, we believe each student must recognize the need to learn new skills, be willing to make changes and eventually self-monitor their behavior, and finally, become a positive self-advocate for their own unique learner qualities and needs. This is accomplished by teachers, families and students working together in a cooperative manner to set goals and objectives. Once goals and objectives are achieved, students have equipped themselves with the skills needed for a successful return to a more traditional school setting.

What We Do

School Program Goals

- To improve students’ academic skills and study habits through a learning environment in which students experience success.
- To model, teach and reinforce appropriate social and learning behaviors.
- To recognize student strengths and capitalize on appropriate choices.
- To provide appropriate, respectful teaching interactions and consistent consequences when students display inappropriate behaviors.
- To empower students with the skills necessary to return to a traditional school setting when they leave Katherine Johnson Education Center.