WATSON INSTITUTE'S FRIENDSHIP ACADEMY

At Friendship Academy, we understand the unique needs of children with emotional and behavioral issues. Our specialized educational programming is designed to provide the necessary support for children to thrive academically and personally. As an Approved Private School, we offer extensive supports for children who may struggle in a traditional school setting. Friendship Academy provides a safe and healing environment for children aged 6-21 who have experienced trauma or adversity.

KEY PROGRAM BENEFITS:

Educational Programming

- Our educational instruction is based upon research-backed standards, ensuring the best practices to promote each child's growth.
- Our dedicated teaching staff are experienced in special education as well as key content areas such as English, mathematics, science, social studies, art, and technology education.
- We offer Innovative technology education and hands-on learning experiences to engage all learners.

Mental Health Supports to Progress with Our Students

- Our Partial Hospitalization Program provides intensive treatment, including medication management and clinical therapies.
- The Extended Outpatient Program provides emotional support as students' needs become less intensive, developing social and emotional learning.
- Outpatient Psychological Services provides outpatient therapy preparing students to return to public school or to move toward independence.

Transition Services

- Students learn skills to prepare for careers, citizenship and lifelong learning.
- Components include career path identification, vocational assessment and job skills aquisition.

Extra Supports to Build Success

- Onsite physical and occupational therapies.
- Social work services.
- Extensive enrichment opportunities, including art, music and consumer science.

 Supports during reintegration back to the home district.



"Friendship Academy is perfect for my child. I couldn't be happier with the staff and support."

- Parent of a Friendship Academy Student



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