



Full Immersion in Multi-Sensory Teaching

Tutoring sessions are great resources that work for many students. However, there may come a time when tutoring takes over the afterschool life leaving no down time and alternative school placement may be a better choice, both financially and for the family.

Special education services help many children. However, it can be difficult to provide sufficient remediation and support in a traditional classroom. A child's self confidence and self image can be affected.

That's when full immersion in a multi-sensory teaching environment is necessary.

True multi-sensory teaching techniques in every class and a special education environment throughout the school day are what some children need to succeed.

PARENT ACTION: When considering the best help for your child, first look at resources such as tutoring and a special education curriculum. But, be open to change if you find your child needs more help. When choosing a school that focuses on learning differences, consider these facts:

- Select a school or tutoring program that provides diagnostic testing at the beginning and end of the school year or tutoring sessions. At Trident Academy, every student is tested to determine exactly what their learning level is, and the best way for teachers to reach the student.
- Select a school that offers full multi-sensory teaching in every class. All Trident Academy teachers are trained in the Orton-Gillingham approach, which is diagnostic, prescriptive and multi-sensory. In all classes, from science and math to history and English, teachers reach students using auditory, visual, kinesthetic, oral and tactile techniques simultaneously.
- Select a school that offers individualized instruction. Trident Academy is unique for its LEAD (Language Enrichment And Development) program. Every student in the school has a daily 55-minute "class" (or tutoring session) with a LEAD teacher, who has tailored each lesson to meet that student's needs.
- Select a school that incorporates previously learned techniques. The Orton-Gillingham approach continually spirals back to incorporate previously learned material to reinforce and strengthen understanding as new material is added. Research shows students with learning differences learn the best when content is consistently reviewed.