

Learning Services FAQ's for Students and Families

Comprehensive information in NVSD'S
Inclusive Education Handbook can be found [here](#)

1. What is LAC?

The Learning Assistance Center provides students with various levels of academic support.

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2. What is the LSC?

The Learning Services Center provides students with a variety of supports for students' academic, behavioural, and organization needs. At Argyle, it is a hub for students and staff.

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3. What is the Learning Services Centre (Lifeskills)?

Learning Services rooms provide specialized, individualized support for students.

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4. What is the Choices Program?

The Choices program provides support for students with barriers to their learning which may include mental health or behaviour. For comprehensive information please view the [Choices Handbook](#).

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5. Does my child's Individual Education Plan (IEP) move from elementary school to secondary school?

Yes. We receive your child's IEP from their elementary school. In the fall, Case Managers start the process of reviewing and updating IEP's. IEP's must be reviewed at least once

each school year following the year the IEP is developed.

6. What is the Case Manager?

The Case Manager coordinates a student's special education program. The Case Manager liaises with parents and other team members, ensures adaptations are communicated, writes the IEP, and monitors student progress. Case management is determined through the School Based Resource Team (SBRT)

7. How can I best communicate with the school?

For general educational programming, communicate through your child's Case Manager. If you have course-specific questions, you can communicate directly with individual teachers. A complete list of teacher e-mails can be found on the Argyle website or by clicking [here](#).

8. What are common things students may struggle with in secondary school that Learning Services provides support, guidance, and learning for?

- keeping up with the pace of high school
- appropriate social media and cell phone use
- making connections and finding a 'place' within Argyle
- managing changing expectations, experiences and navigating changes of elementary school vs. high school
- preparation for learning: having materials ready, organization, time management
- developing executive functioning skills
- developing the communication skills and self-advocacy skills to seek out support from all classroom teachers