



Frequently Asked Questions

Resource

Who does the resource department support?

Any student who is currently following an Individualised Education Plan (IEP) is supported by the resource department. The department is also home to John Rennie's Life Skills course which is a standalone program for those students who cannot follow a regular school day or schedule without additional resources.

My Child had an IEP in Elementary School, do they need a new one?

No, each year our resource team review all of the IEPs of our incoming Grade 7 students. They then meet with the teachers to ensure that they understand the needs of each student on an IEP. Finally after a few weeks in school teachers will meet with the resource department again to tweak and review the IEPs to make sure they're suitable for High School and for your child's current situation.

Do you still have resource teachers?

Yes, our resource team is formed of Resource Teachers, Integration Aides, Special Education Technicians, Planning Room Technician, School Psychologist and our Guidance Councillors. Your child may come into contact with only a few of these people during their time at John Rennie, or maybe all of them, but rest assured our team is here to help your child succeed.

What support is available for my child?

We prioritise in class support for our Grade 7 and 8 students, a lot of support for students is provided directly in the classroom, however, our resource room is a spot where students on an IEP can go to take a test in quiet and get extra help at Lunch or Recess. In addition, accommodations are made for individual students and these are identified on their IEP.

I think that my child might have a learning difficulty, what should I do?

You should raise this with your Elementary School, the sooner that you address the problem, the sooner that it can be resolved and actions put in place to help your child to succeed.

Are Cycle 1 and Cycle 2 students dealt with together?

No, we have two separate resource rooms, which have a dedicated space for Cycle 1 and for Cycle 2.