

## Resource Teacher/Consultants

- Are professionally trained Early Childhood Educators who specialize in working with children with disabilities
- Work flexible hours to accommodate families, child care programs, and child care providers
- Understand that you know your child best

This program is

**FREE**

Funded by the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services, and by the County of Lanark, Child Care Services.

For more information, give us a call at:

1-613-257-7121 (x3244)

or

1-800-667-2617 (x3244)



The **Lanark Early Integration Program** is part of:



Lanark Community Programs  
30 Bennett St.  
Carleton Place, ON  
K7C 4J9

**Is your child being included?**



**Lanark  
Early Integration  
Program**

It is important that all children be included in the activities of daily life. Every child has a right to participate in as many childhood interactive experiences as possible. The Lanark Early Integration Program promotes the inclusion of all children in licensed child care and summer programs.

## What Do We Do?

- Visit families in their own homes to share information to assist them with making plans for their children
- Help parents link with appropriate services, and then assist with the coordination of these services
- Provide support so children with developmental or physical delays can be included in licensed preschool programs
- Assist with the transition into school
- Offer education and training opportunities to parents, child care providers and community groups
- Loan equipment, toys, books, articles, and videos from our library

## Who Is It For?

- Families with a child between the ages of 2 and 12 (in the County of Lanark)
- Families concerned that their child may be exhibiting a developmental or physical disability
- Children who have a developmental and/or physical disability
  - Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy
  - Autism
  - Spina Bifida
  - Acquired injuries (eg. brain injuries)
  - Other
- Care providers, in either a preschool or licensed home setting, looking after a child with special needs
- Anyone wanting information on disabilities and/or inclusion

## How Does It Help?

**YOUR CHILD** will be encouraged to:

- Discover his/her unique abilities
- Learn from other children
- Develop supportive, caring relationships
- Actively participate in learning
- Develop skills for later use in school

**OTHER CHILDREN** will:

- Appreciate the differences in others
- Learn that everyone belongs

**PRESCHOOL PROVIDERS** will:

- Receive the support, training and consultation needed to ensure children with special needs can fully participate in their programs

