Brighton Student Handbook



SPEECH AND LANGUAGE; OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Brighton offers in-school Speech and Language Therapy, and Occupational Therapy services through partnerships with various outside providers.

Ontario Health atHome (School Health Support Services)

School Health Support Services are funded by the Ministry of Health through the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP). Students who have a valid Ontario health card, are registered as a student at a school as defined under the *Education Act, and* would experience a significant disruption in school attendance, instruction or participation without the support of this program are eligible to receive care.

A referral from the student's school principal or special education representative is required. Parents may contact either the school or Ontario Health atHome to begin the process. You will be connected to a case manager or care coordinator who will make an initial assessment of your needs and your eligibility for the services that Ontario Health atHome provides. Eligible services will not be initiated until a referral is received from the school and an assessment and care plan have been completed by a care coordinator.

Through the school health support services program in private schools, your care coordinator works with you and your child to develop a care plan to support in-school access to a wide range of professional health services, including:

- Nursing
- Occupational therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Speech and language therapy
- Diet and nutrition counseling
- Information and referral services
- Coordination of services
- Personal support services

Private Fee-Based Services

Brighton has partnerships with external Speech and OT providers who can come into the school upon request. There is a service fee charged by these providers.

(See: School Health Support Services and Home Community and Care)

Other Providers

Please note that parents wishing to use other private speech or OT providers at Brighton during the school day must speak with the Principal. It may not be possible to accommodate requests due to space, scheduling, and privacy issues.