

TASC

Referral / Admissions

1. An intake conference will be held at Sandburg Learning Center within two to five days after the administrative hearing. Parents need to contact TASC at (763) 504-8380 to schedule an appointment.
2. TASC program brochure will be reviewed at the intake meeting. The program brochure covers program rules and expectations as well as course offerings.
3. Student's cumulative folder and records will remain at the home school.
4. TASC will make needed transportation arrangements for all eligible students.
5. TASC will submit grades to the home school counselors and facilitate the student's return to their home school or to another alternative program upon completion of exclusion.
6. Special education students will be placed into the program following the recommendation of the home school's special education team. Management of the IEP remains with the home school.



The Alternative Study Center

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TASC / Parents, what's on your mind?

Why can't my student stay in his/her school?

School district guidelines require students to be offered an alternative educational setting for a specific time duration when a student commits an expellable offense.

What is the Alternative Study Center?

The Alternative Study Center (TASC) is an educational program for students in middle school and high school. The program allows students to earn middle school and high school credits in a computerized instructional format.

How many days per week and how much time will my student spend at TASC?

TASC operates two learning sessions on a Monday—Thursday schedule. The program hours are from 7:20 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.. Students will be assigned a learning session according to student/parent choice and/or availability of openings. The actual instructional time will be 3.5 hours with a break.

How will my student get to TASC?

Robbinsdale Area Schools will provide students who reside in District 281 with transportation to and from TASC. Students from Minneapolis who are already registered with Choice is Yours, will continue to receive transportation through that program. Students must comply with school district policy in following transportation rules and procedures.

How is instruction provided?

Each student will be assigned a computer station. Students will be placed in subjects similar to their home school program. Each student will be provided course goals which include online and offline course requirements. The program teachers will provide support and assistance.

Does my student earn a letter grade for completing course work?

Students who complete the course of study for each curriculum area will earn a letter grade which will be given to the home school counselor and added to the student's grade transcript. Student who leave TASC during the semester will continue the earning of those credits at their next school placement.

Will TASC be like my home school?

No. TASC is an alternative school. Instruction is computerized and students work at their own pace. TASC program rules and assigned courses will be reviewed with parents and students at the TASC intake meeting.

How many students will be in each session?

Each session holds up to 30 students. Each student will have access to a computer station.

Will the student I got in trouble with be in the same session?

Whenever possible, students who were involved in the same incident will be separated during their exclusion time.

Can I wear a hat and coat at TASC?

No. Students must follow the same rules of their home school. These are school district rules and cannot be compromised.

If I like being in TASC, can I stay as long as I like?

No. TASC is a temporary educational placement. Staff will provide information on school placement options.

What happens if I can't make it in TASC?

Students are counseled and assisted in meeting academic and behavioral expectations. Students who fail to comply with program rules will be placed in the Home Bound Program.