

## EAST HAMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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The Learning Center

**Overview** 

The Learning Center (TLC) is an alternative high school serving the communities of East Hampton and East Haddam. The program provides services to address each student's unique learning style with the goal of re-entering them into their district high school. The maximum capacity of students is twelve. TLC is staffed by one special education teacher, a licensed clinical social worker, and a paraprofessional. The hours are: Monday through Thursday 7:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. and Friday 7:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Students are identified with a disability through their special education IEP or Section 504 Plan. Students are considered for placement at TLC when their individual needs cannot be appropriately addressed at their district high school due to social and/or emotional concerns. Admission or an exit from TLC is determined by the student's special education PPT or Section 504 Team.

The students learn through Odysseyware (computer based academic instruction), group lessons and additional courses modified for each individual student. Students are encouraged to work at their own pace and can access Odysseyware from outside of school as a vehicle to achieve credit recovery. Physical education class is offered twice a week and art once a week.

Group and individual counseling is provided to address the social/emotional needs of each student as a means to further their personal growth and to achieve their highest potential.

Vocational instruction is delivered through the KUHN Agency in which students receive ongoing education in the areas of career exploration and job placement. KUHN is staffed by a transitional coordinator and a job coach.

The overall goal of re-entry into their home school setting is achieved through a collaborative team effort. This includes meetings with appropriate high school representatives, families, outside agencies, and the student. A re-entry plan specific to each student is developed and may involve a split day between East Hampton High School and TLC or every other day between East Haddam Hale Ray High School and TLC.

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