

Extended School Year



What is Extended School?

Students who require special education and related services in excess of the regular school year to maintain identified critical skills as described in the current IEP are eligible for Extended School Year. During Extended School Year, students continue to work on goals which are identified as “critical skills” on their IEP. The teachers will design lessons and activities to help the students maintain their current levels of proficiency.

Where is Extended School Held?

In Kanawha County, most of the students who qualify for ESY will attend a program at Elk Center. The County provides free transportation to and from Elk Center which will be arranged once written parental agreement to ESY services has been obtained.

How does my child qualify for Extended School Year?

Eligibility for Extended School Year is a decision that your child’s IEP team will make. Your student’s teacher will keep documentation throughout the year from their IEP goals and if your child regresses on those goals during extended breaks (holidays, spring break, etc) and takes too long to recoup those skills, then s/he qualifies for ESY.

Can Students Complete Credit Recovery at Extended School year?

No, this is not the traditional summer school where students make up credits failed during the school year. This program is strictly for skill maintenance and does not introduce or offer new skills or academic credits.

What Age Students Can Attend?

Eligible Kanawha County School students of any age or grade may attend. However, once a student has graduated from school - or aged out - the student may not attend

the following summers' ESY program.