

A Division of Bellefaire JCB

Monarch Boarding Academy



Program Highlights

- A co-ed therapeutic residential treatment program that focuses on reducing maladaptive behaviors by learning communication techniques and life skills
- For individuals with moderate to severe autism, moderate autism with higher deficits in daily living skills, autism with maladaptive behaviors, or dual diagnosis autism with significant mental health issues
- Residential service plans and IEPs are created in conjunction with Monarch School staff
- Secure, home-like setting with single bedrooms
- Enhances social, behavioral, communicative, functional, and academic growth
- 24/7 structured and consistent routines, visuals and programming support communication and language goals
- Complements classroom experience at Monarch School for greater and accelerated gains

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Location

Monarch Boarding Academy (MBA) is located on a 32-acre park-like campus in Cleveland, Ohio with Monarch Center for Autism. Fitness center, therapeutic aquatic center, and playgrounds are on-site.

Placement and Assessment

In-person formal assessments are often conducted prior to admission in the family's home or current living situation. The home team is included in the admission process and transition to MBA. After arrival, the 30 day assessment period involves identifying targeted behaviors, direct observation, data collection, IEP testing, and assessments on language, learning and functional living skills.

Staff

Degreed, certified and experienced staff are with residents 24/7. Teams include master's level and licensed counselors, social workers, psychiatrists, and BCBAs who have ongoing consultation with campus-based speech language pathologists, intervention specialists, and occupational therapists.

Individualized Program

Designed based on the individual's unique needs with goals of increasing independence in all areas including communication, behavior management, activities of daily living, and vocational opportunities. An environment is created where small progress and success are celebrated.

Lifestyle

Residents live in cottages based on peer relationship skill sets. When not in class at Monarch School, residents participate in group activities, time in the community, sports and leisure activities on campus, and developing relationships peers. In addition to in-person visits, families are connected via Skype, FaceTime, videos, and frequent conversations and/or emails with the team.

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