

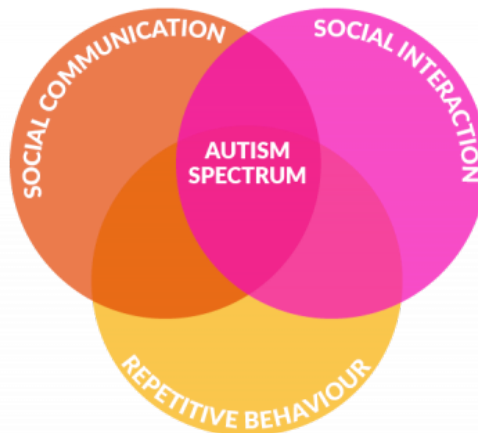
Interlocal 619 Autism Team



The Autism Interdisciplinary Team (AIT) is made up of members who have been trained through the Tertiary Autism Support Network (TASN) to provide autism consultation services within our Interlocal area. We strive to provide support to staff members, students, and local families.

About Us:

The goal of the AIT is to assist teams in gaining knowledge and expertise in serving students with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and build the capacity of local school districts and staff in providing free and appropriate public education based on each student's strengths and needs. School districts within the Interlocal may request consultative services from the AIT to assist in gathering information and planning appropriate services for students.



"We are all different, but we all have that same spark that makes us light up." - Naoki Higashida

"There needs to be a lot more emphasis on what a child can do instead of what he cannot do." - Temple Grandin

Impairment in Social Interaction:

- Lack of appropriate eye gaze
- Difficulty commenting on the feelings of others
- Limited understanding about other people's feelings and perspective
- Little to no back and forth conversation
- Lack of joint attention
- Lack of response to name

Impairment in Communication:

- Difficulty reporting events
- Delay or lack of verbal language
- Integration of gestures is challenging
- Difficulty initiation, maintaining, and ending conversations
- Perseverative use of words or phrases

Repetitive Behaviors & Restricted Interests:

- Repetitive movements with objects
- Repetitive movements or posturing of body, arms, hands, or fingers
- Significantly persistent preoccupation with or attachment to objects or topics