

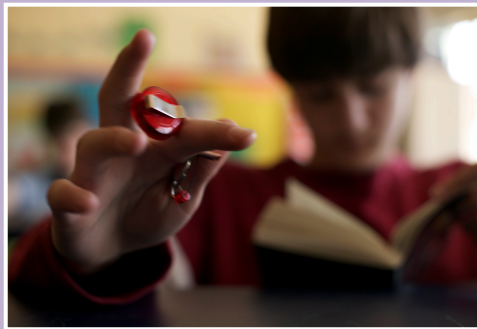
Our State-of-the-Art Program

CTC's multi-disciplinary approach to education recognizes that **emotionally meaningful experiences** are necessary in order to realize the child's true intelligence. Our curriculum meets the New Jersey core curriculum content standards while fostering:

- Self-regulation
- Engagement
- Intentionality
- Shared Problem Solving
- Whole Body Comprehension
- Symbolic, Abstract, Critical and Reflective Thinking
- Creativity/Ability to Think Outside the Box
- Emotional Intelligence
- Strong Social Understanding and Abilities
- Global Awareness
- Strong Use of Technology



Learning through
Relationships



CTC is the first **DIR®** school in the USA for children ages 3-21!

Celebrate the Children is a comprehensive, state-approved educational program for students on the **autism spectrum (PDD-NOS)**, who have **MSDD (Multisystem Developmental Disorder), Regulatory Disorder, ODD, OCD, ADHD, Down's Syndrome, expressive language delay, or mild physical disabilities**. CTC opened its doors in January, 2004 and offers a multi-disciplinary, developmental approach designed to meet the needs of the individual child by providing them with the developmental foundations to be socially, emotionally and intellectually prepared for success in society. CTC currently serves more than 100 children from over 70 districts.

Celebrate the Children was featured as Time Magazine's cover story in May of 2006.



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Celebrate the
Children

School

A School for Children with Alternative Learning Styles

Preparing Students with Diverse
Needs for the 21st Century

"celebrating neurodiversity and preparing children for success in the 21st century"

Celebrate the Children utilizes the **DIR®** model to fulfill the requirements of the NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards. We are at an important time in the history of education as many people, including public school districts, are recognizing the need for approaches for special needs children that look at overall development and target documented deficit areas such as abstract thinking, shared problem solving, independence, self esteem, emotions, language, and social interactions in a natural and supportive setting.

The unique nature of the program

Monthly Open House and Admissions Information available on our website or by calling 973-989-4033

Our Mission

Celebrate the Children utilizes state-of-the-art interventions to serve children with difficulties in relating and communicating, including autism spectrum disorders in a fiscally responsible manner. The ultimate goal of the organization is to develop children who:

- Are Well Regulated
- Have Healthy Relationships
- Have Good Self-Esteem and a Positive School Experience
- Have a Strong Sense of Self and are Independent
- Are Happy and in Touch with Their Emotions
- Are Independent Thinkers and Problem Solvers
- Are Prepared Emotionally, Socially, Behaviorally, Academically and Vocationally to Live Successful and Happy Lives

In small class settings of 5-12 students, we offer:

- Cutting-edge, research-based intervention targeting the specific processing challenges of the individual students
- Intensive focus on building self-esteem and developing healthy relationships
- Intensive language and communication development
- Independence and Life Skills program
- Transition program
- Community-Based Instruction
- Adult/Continuing Education
- Interdisciplinary approach to instruction
- Licensed Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapists with expertise in augmentative communication, feeding, oral-motor, pragmatics, sensory integration and handwriting
- Mental Health Department/Student and Family Support Services with on staff psychologists and social workers
- Adaptive Physical Education, Art, Music, Yoga, and more including, including organized school-wide events

Our program

includes curriculum areas that meet the NJ State core curriculum content standards and include developmental and academic components not limited to:

- sensory
- motor
- visual-spatial
- social-emotional
- independence and sense of self
- cognitive
- speech and language
- social skills
- self-help
- behavioral
- visual and performing arts
- comprehensive health and physical education
- language arts and literacy
- mathematics
- science
- social studies
- world languages

Parent and sibling training

and support include on-site DIR® training and coaching for parents, facilitated play sessions with siblings, and support groups for both parents and siblings. The goal behind this service is to empower family members with an understanding of the student's needs that will result in positive and meaningful relationships.

Celebrate the Children (CTC) admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally afforded or made available to students at the school. CTC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

