

Special Education and Section 504

Austin ISD Special Education Department is committed to providing families and their students with resources and referrals to support their needs. Medicaid waivers and the Local Intellectual and Developmental Disability Authority (LIDDA) are an important part of this process.

Austin ISD Family Resource and Transition Planning

UNDERSTANDING MEDICAID WAIVERS

Medicaid waivers allow children and adults with disabilities to receive support in their homes and communities instead of in institutional settings. These supports can include respite care, therapies, home modifications, adaptive aids, case management, and more. In order to access these services the student with a disability must be placed on an interest list. There are seven Medicaid waiver programs in Texas and each one has its own interest list.

TIPS FOR FAMILIES:

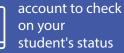
> Get on the Medicaid waiver interest list as soon as your child receives a disability diagnosis—even if you're unsure if your student will need it

Connect with other families—you are not alone!



Use YourTexasBenefits.com

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Mark your calendar yearly to check your waiver status

Steps to Apply

You will need your student's Social Security Number (SSN#)

Call to add your child to all waiver interest lists

Update your contact information as needed

Confirm your place on the list annually

Wait to be contacted to complete application for services wait times may be 10–15 years)

Begin necessary eligibility steps when contacted

Waiver Programs

CLASS, MDCP, DBMD, STAR+PLUS waivers: **1-877-438-5658** HCS, TxHmL waivers (via Integral Care): **512-472-4357** YES Waiver (mental health): **512-804-3191**

Your LIDDA for Travis County:

Integral Care

Main Line: 512-447-4357 Website: www.integralcare.org

Additional Resources:

Navigate Life Texas: Navigatelifetexas.org Texas Parent to Parent: https://www.txp2p.org VELA: velafamilies.org

For additional transition planning support, visit: austinisd.org/special-education