

What to do if you are interested:

Please contact the Committee on Special Education (CSE) Chair in your local school district if you are interested in this program for your child. Once your child is enrolled, CITI and Hillside Staff are available to provide support to your child and your family.

We look forward to working with you and your child. In the Stepping Stones Day Program we believe in fresh starts and second chances – and we know how much our students look forward to developing the ability to succeed in education, employment, family and community life.



Stepping Stones Day Program

A Collaboration Between
the Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation and Hillside Children's Center



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In the Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation Stepping Stones Day Program we offer a structured small group environment that helps students overcome the emotional and behavioral challenges that interfere with learning, so that they may return successfully to their home district.

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Our program is located at the
Fourth Street School in Fulton, NY.
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Our exceptional education team from the Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation (CITI) along with an on-site team of Hillside Children's Center mental health and behavioral support professionals will work together to promote academic and behavioral success for your child.



What We Provide:

- Tools and resources needed to manage feelings and behavior before they become a problem
- Improved communications skills (with peers and adults) and increased self-esteem
- An emphasis on the positive value that your child naturally possesses
- More fully developed academic skills that students will need to be successful in a home school placement
- Step-by-step alternatives to disruptive behavior patterns and other self-defeating practices that currently limit educational choices
- Individual, Family and Group Therapy
- Parent and Family Support
- Regular on-site Psychiatric Consultations and Medication Management
- Academic and Exceptional Education Instruction in 8:1:1 Enhanced Classrooms

We believe you are critical to your child's success in the Stepping Stones Day Program. You play a central role in helping us to better understand your child's strengths, aspirations, and challenges, and to helping set and achieve all behavioral and learning objectives. No one knows your child better than you! With your expertise and ours, we can work together to set and achieve your child's behavioral and academic objectives.

Student Profile:

The Stepping Stones Day Program serves children and youth in grades K-10 who have behavioral and emotional challenges, and who would benefit from academic instruction and fully integrated on-site mental health services. Documentation of a mental health diagnosis is required; the school district will work with you to obtain this documentation.

Student-specific Outcomes:

- Improved self-regulation of defiance and/or aggression
- Improved ability to attend and participate in educational activities
- Improved attendance and a reduction in days lost to suspensions or absenteeism
- Improved self-regulation of affect
- Improved peer relationships

