

# WHERE EXTRAORDINARY MINDS THRIVE

# A DIFFERENT WAY OF THINKING ABOUT EDUCATION

At The Epiphany School of Charlotte, our mission is to empower the neurodiverse student with foundational social, emotional, and academic skills needed to thrive in school and in life. While maintaining strong academics, the hallmark of our school is the purposeful integration of social-emotional learning and skill development into every aspect of the day. This nurturing approach allows students to build confidence, form positive relationships, and thrive not only in school but beyond our walls.



# THE EPIPHANY WAY

# **SOCIAL SKILLS SUCCESS**

The cornerstone of Epiphany is our social communication skills curriculum called "Friends and Feelings Program<sup>TM</sup>" which helps students develop the skills to thrive emotionally, socially, and academically for today and into the future.

# **STRONG ACADEMICS**

We believe in teaching the way each child learns best. Understanding each student's learning strengths and weaknesses helps us to provide an educational experience that is truly individualized and success-oriented. We do not teach to the test. Instead, we teach to achieve the "a-ha" moment.

# **NURTURING COMMUNITY**

Relationships come first at Epiphany. We believe that learning is best developed through positive, trusting, and connected relationships among students, parents, and teachers.

\*The Epiphany School of Charlotte admits students of all races, colors, national, and ethnic origins to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis or race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

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### **ADMISSIONS**

The Epiphany School of Charlotte is open to students in grades 3 through 8. Our students experience challenges with social communication, which can interfere with learning and their ability to navigate the social world.

No formal diagnosis is required. However, our students often possess traits or diagnoses of ASD-1, Social Communication Disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Anxiety, Sensory Processing Disorder, and/or other learning differences.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Current comprehensive psychological and educational evaluation within 3 years (or equivalent)
- Average or above average intelligence
- Ability to follow verbal instructions
- Can benefit from direct social skill instruction and guided practice
- The Epiphany School of Charlotte is not able to accommodate students with significant emotional or behavioral problems

#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

### **ESA+ SCHOLARSHIP**

The base level of funding is a \$9,000 annual award; students with certain designated disabilities may be eligible to receive a \$17,000 annual award.

# **OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**

Awards range from approximately \$3,000 to \$7,000, based on a family's household income.

\*For both ESA+ and opportunity scholarship, find out more information and apply at: <a href="https://www.ncseaa.edu">www.ncseaa.edu</a>

#### SOCIAL SKILLS

## Friends and Feelings Program™

Social communication and emotional skills are directly taught, modeled, prompted, practiced, and reinforced daily in 3 distinct ways.

- Direct Instruction in our Friends and Feelings™ class
- Integration of skill concepts across all academic subjects and enrichment classes
- Experiential learning and teachable moments throughout the student's day

Our Friends and Feelings™ class is fun, interactive, multi-sensory, and meaningful. Techniques used include role-playing games, activities, videos, pictures, diagrams, building projects, social stories, and discussion to facilitate learning and practice.

#### **ACADEMICS**

Epiphany students learn to think critically, communicate effectively, and work collaboratively through discussion-based learning and small-group or individualized instruction. An alternative to traditional rote memorization and teacher-focused instruction, Epiphany uses a student-centered and inquiry-based learning approach with classroom projects and technology to engage students in collaborative real-world investigations.

- Engages students' interests and motivation
- Helps our students understand the "why" behind things they are learning
- Deepens understanding of concepts, improves communication and social skills, develops leadership skills, and fosters problem-solving and creativity



