

# **BRANDON SCHOOL & RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER**

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## **Populations Served**

Anxiety Disorder, Behaviorally Disordered, Fire Setters, Mood Disorder, Aspergers Syndrome, Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, Sex Offender, Sexually Reactive

## **School Profile**

Enrollment: M  
Age Range Served: 7 - 18  
Age at Admission: 7 - 18  
Program: Day/Residential/Summer  
Staff/Pupil Ratio: 1 : 4  
# of Months Open: 12  
# of Days Open: 365  
Current Enrollment: 75 Res/20 Day

## **Admissions Procedure**

Brandon accepts referrals for day and residential programs on a rolling basis and accepts emergency, overnight and weekend admissions. Boys entering Brandon present a range of behavioral and emotional issues for stabilization, assessment, and/or on-going treatment. Brandon works with populations and diagnoses in addition to those listed above including ADHD, ODD, self-harm, attachment issues, adoption concerns, alternative family structures, sensory processing problems, and co-occurring medical conditions including diabetes, sickle cell disease, cystic fibrosis, and burn injury. Students are typically referred by social service agencies, school districts, insurance providers, screen teams or parents. Intake packets, which include psychological testing, educational assessment, medical evaluation and social histories, are usually required prior to interview. Referrals for Hospital Diversion, Emergency Placement, Respite Care, Firesetting Assessment or Time-Out can be made by phone: Weekdays: 508.655.6400 ext. 231 After Hours / Weekends/ Holidays: 508.655.6400 ext. 229

## **Approval/Licensing/Accreditation**

Brandon is approved by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education as a Special Education day and residential school; licensed by the Department of Early Education and Care; nationally accredited by the Council On Accreditation (COA).

## **Programs and Services**

Brandon is a positive place where boys with complex emotional, behavioral & learning needs succeed. Boys participate in pro-social, skill-building activities, strength-based individual and family treatment, and a therapeutic milieu that promote achievement and accelerated step-down/reunification. Accordingly, the scope of our services extends not only to the boy as an individual, but also to his family.

### **Brandon's Continuum of Services:**

Special Education Day School

Day School Risk Assessments & Diagnostics (45 Days)

Intensive Firesetting Treatment

Sexualized Behaviors Treatment

Short-Term Diagnostic Assessment

Rapid Firesetting Assessment (RFA)

Hospital Diversion (CBAT / ART)

Family Stabilization / Respite Care

Intensive Residential Treatment

Group Home

## **Special Features**

Small, structured classrooms & residences

Intensive case management coordinating the family's goals with Brandon's programs and service providers

Individual, group & family psychotherapy; psychiatry; case consultation with national experts

Fire Education courses

Pet therapy, agency-wide Sensory Integration initiative, OT, and Speech & Language Therapy

Comprehensive progress reporting; discharge planning upon intake and community resource identification

Onsite nursing department; management/evaluation of medications and medical conditions.

Dental, vision, routine healthcare & lab services onsite

Parent Advisory Council, PAC newsletter, and family events

Intramural & interscholastic athletics, hip-hop dance classes, on and off-grounds enrichment activities

Pre-vocational culinary arts and property maintenance, MCAS Prep, Chapter 1 services, and the Wilson Reading Program

## **Location and Facilities**

Brandon's wooded, 35 acre campus is located in the Boston Metrowest area. Our facilities consist of:

An onsite educational facility with classrooms, cafeteria, computer lab, and gym with regulation sized basketball court.

On-campus Sensory Room, family spaces, activity rooms, clinical offices, conference rooms, and administrative offices

Playing fields, ropes course, an outdoor basketball court, walking paths and a variety of outdoor educational opportunities.

Five on-campus residences; enhanced safety with sprinklers and electronic monitoring

Two community residences, which are located in Ashland and Framingham.

## **History and Philosophy**

A family-centered and child-driven environment with over 40 year of providing exceptional services, Brandon is continually evolving to incorporate latest research and best practices to meet the needs of the children and families we serve.