

Admissions Disclosure Statement

The mission of the Samara Learning Center, a Central Oregon 501c3 nonprofit, is to provide an environment where one learns how to "soar with your strengths and manage your weaknesses." The Samara Learning Center uses a research based collaborative mindful model, with an overall focus on building successful attributes, such as self-awareness, proactivity, perseverance, and problem solving through a trauma sensitive approach. One of the main programs Samara Learning Center facilitates their mission through is the Samara Day School, a private educational institution committed to serving children with learning challenges (dyslexia, ADHD, high functioning autism, etc.). Our vision is to help children and families explore their pathways to success by facilitating the collaboration of community resources that promote lifelong learning and wellness opportunities, which encourage individual growth and a positive impact for the whole community.

The Samara Day School welcomes and encourages diversity in our student population. Our services are available to all who need them, without regard to ethnic background, race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, national origin, non-disqualifying disability or religion. All students of the Samara Day School have the opportunity to participate in an educational environment that adequately reflects their community, and prepares them for the world beyond school.

We have a strong commitment to quality educational services for children with learning disabilities. In order to provide the best services possible, it is essential that we maintain independence in the decision-making process, and independence in the stewardship of school resources.

In all circumstances, our decision-making is guided by what is in the best interests of our students. Our ability to make independent judgments would be compromised by the obligation to meet the needs of an outside governance body or institution.

As a private institution, we must be committed to fiscal independence. Over-reliance on any single source of funds could jeopardize important services, or the very existence of the Samara Day School.

Both of our goals of diversity and independence are served by a vigorous attempt to maintain a broad mix of funding sources. This mix includes support in the form of:

- 1. Fees for services from:
 - A. Parents who independently choose to utilize our services and pay for them privately:
 - B. Public agencies that utilize our services and pay for them with taxpayer funds;
- 2. Grants from private foundations; and
- 3. Individual charitable gifts.

By protecting our diversity and our independence, we help to preserve the School's ability to fulfill its mission for years to come.