## SUZANNE VITALE CLINICAL EDUCATION COMPLEX (CEC)

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The Clinical Education Complex (CEC) at WKU houses the Family Resource Program, the Kelly Autism Program, the Renshaw Early Childhood Center and the Speech & Language Intervention Program. This complex is a comprehensive clinical setting for education and health and human services professionals. The CEC builds upon a strong tradition at Western Kentucky University to meet community needs, fill service delivery gaps, provide opportunities for applied research, and enrich both undergraduate and graduate students' educational experiences through an interdisciplinary teaching approach. Following is a short description of the units housed within the CEC:

# Speech Language Intervention Program (SLIP)

The Speech Language Intervention Program (SLIP) at the Suzanne Vitale Clinical Education Complex (CEC) provides assessment and treatment services to address communication needs across various domains, including speech, language, pragmatics, fluency, and voice. Evaluation, treatment, and consultative services are offered to CEC participants.

#### Vickie and Dan Renshaw Early Childhood Center

The Renshaw Early Childhood Center (RECC) provides early learning and intervention services to children of all abilities, ages 15 months through kindergarten entry, in inclusive group settings. As a part of the early learning program, the RECC provides field experiences and mentoring for university students in early childhood education, special education, communication disorders, nursing and other related fields. The RECC also serves a center for research and collaboration with university and community partners and stakeholders. For more information, call (270) 745-2773.

### **Family Resource Program**

The (Family Resource Program) FRP is the nucleus of the CEC and is the first point of contact. The program supports families as a source of information, referral, and service in all CEC areas. Phone (270) 745-4232.

## **Kelly Autism Program**

#### Kelly Autism Program Prime Time

KAP Prime Time provides programming for individuals ages 7 through adult who have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and other disabilities. KAP focuses on developing social, communication, sensory, and executive functioning in group afterschool environments. For more information, call (270) 745-4232.

#### Kelly Autism Program - Circle of Support

The Kelly Autism Program at WKU has created the Circle of Support, a program that offers seven areas of assistance specifically designed to

address the challenges faced by students with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and to increase their success on campus.

The major areas of assistance provided by KAP Circle of Support include: private residence hall rooms, study tables, mentoring, socials, mental health counseling, weekly advisor meetings and vocational planning services. For more information please email circleofsupport@wku.edu or visit the website at https://www.wku.edu/kapcircleofsupport/.