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You will want to follow Barb Lebo's campaign to change this. What you're coming up against is the huge wall in place to keep the status quo going. This is just one aspect of the discrimination against people with disabilities that persists in the way we deliver services in Ontario (and beyond). Trust me. Your child's "privacy" - and that of the other kids - is not what's driving this. What we're tackling here are union positions that view private professionals as threats - not colleagues - and a system-die prejudice that the "equity" principle is served by giving everyone nothing. This is a huge front in the battle for our kids to have equal treatment in the education system but it is a marathon - not a sprint. In the short term, we each have to push where we can to get what we can for our individual children. There are some of us here who have become pretty good at this over the years and I think I speak for my peers: we're happy to help support you in doing that. In the long run, we should all be supporting the notion of an education system that provides access to an education in a manner that actually works for our kids - not after that access principle has been trumped by Union and/or other professional/Board/Ministry interests. Barb did a radio show a while back. Here's a link: <http://www.voiceamerica.com/episode/77193/who-cares-for-children-living-with-autism> Barb, maybe you want to comment and explain about the work you're doing?

Anne

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It could be worth it to contact your school board to find out if the school can refuse. Maybe if your family doctor recommends it?

It's not because the principal said no that they can actually refuse it.

Good luck!

Jacqueline

Le 2015-08-06 23:34, "mlanglois3@yahoo.ca [autismsupportOttawa]"
<autismsupportOttawa@yahoogroups.com> a écrit :

Hi! I am mom to a 3.5 year old boy who has recently been diagnosed with autism and who will be starting jk in September.

We found a ABA service provider who meets our needs, but we were told by the school she is not allowed into the school to provide therapy. We were hoping that he could go to the daycare within the school for therapy and allowed to interact with the preschoolers, but that doesn't look promising either. Any advice or tricks to get the therapist into the classroom? My son really needs coaching on how to socialize with other kids and the only way to learn is to be around other kids. Withdrawing for one on one therapy will be beneficial, but he needs to be in situations where he needs to be around his peers. If you've been in a similar situation and would like to share your experience, advice or suggestions, it would be most appreciated. You are welcome to send me a personal message or share with the group. Thank You!

Melissa
