

Success Stories

My son Nicholas, aged 15 years old, has attended the Arrowsmith School (Learning Disabilities Association of Saskatchewan) in Saskatoon for 3 years. The experience that we have enjoyed has been a very positive one. He has gone from struggling in school, and having self-esteem issues, to making academic progress and finding a safe learning place where he is not constantly under duress from not "keeping up."

Nicholas's attention has improved as well as Math and English and his verbal skills are expanding daily. The teaching staff, is excellent with the children and there is support and encouragement for all gains, big and small. We were quite nervous to pull our son from mainstream education, however, we felt he was not able to get the support he needed there and in retrospect have been very happy with Arrowsmith and have wished we would have enrolled Nicholas sooner. He is happier and doing very well in school.

We would recommend the Arrowsmith School highly for any parent with a child who has a learning disability.

Jackie & Gord

My daughter started at Arrowsmith at the beginning of grade five. She had been having difficulties in math, spelling, and reading comprehension at a French immersion school. Homework and projects were always a huge struggle for her (and for me). Since grade three, she had been having trouble attracting and keeping friends.

My daughter spent her grade five and six years in the Arrowsmith program, which turned out to be enough time to address her main areas of weakness. In September, she registered in grade seven in a new French immersion school. It was her wish to go to a new school where she could make a fresh start. After just three months at the new school, I have noticed a huge change in her. In her first report card, she received marks that were mostly in the eighties. Math is no longer an area of difficulty. Her reading and reading comprehension is good. Most surprising, she is having no problem keeping up with French reading, writing, and grammar. She is able to learn two long paragraphs of complex French in under two hours, and make very few mistakes the next day in the dictation. Finally, on a social level, she has integrated easily with the other students and has made a large group of friends.

Given the extent of the changes in my daughter, it is hard not to attribute most of these to the Arrowsmith program. If your child is struggling in school, I highly recommend that you consider the Arrowsmith program. Sending your child to Arrowsmith might just be the best thing that you could ever do for your child.

This is just a couple of the many success stories we have seen because of your generous donation to our organization. Together we do make a difference in the lives of children and adults living with learning disabilities.