



ARCHBISHOP DAMIANO SCHOOL

Making a difference in the lives of our students

ADS Overview

Archbishop Damiano School is an approved non-profit Private Special Education School in Westville Grove, NJ that provides services to over 140 students with cognitive disabilities and offers effective special education programs and therapies for students ages 3 – 21. ADS programs focus on cultivating student ability, nurturing talent, developing new skills, and fostering an environment where students are given a voice for choice.

Archbishop Damiano School selected the monarch butterfly as a symbol for hope, change, and life's journey. The transformation from a caterpillar to a butterfly is synonymous to the journey of our students at Archbishop Damiano School. Butterflies begin their lives as caterpillars, miraculously form a chrysalis and after some time, become the best versions of themselves.

For the uniquely abled community, this transformative time is crucial to the developmental stages in life, but our students do not have to endure this journey without support and guidance along the way. Our ADS staff are enthusiastic experts in their field and committed to our students' development. From their first school experience to preparing for life after school, Archbishop Damiano School is dedicated to making a difference in the lives of our students.



Our Mission

Our mission at ADS is to provide an exceptional educational and therapeutic experience for our students with knowledge and compassion. We strive to equip our students with independence and the functional skills needed to thrive in our ever-changing world.

Our Vision

At ADS, we envision an inclusive and equitable environment that will empower and instill confidence in our diverse learners. We aim to champion our students' abilities and maintain a collaborative environment that enables students to reach their full potentials.

Our Values

Compassion - Compassion drives our commitment to supporting our students with empathy, kindness and understanding.

Individuality – We celebrate and embrace the uniqueness of each individual student. Our exceptional educational and therapeutic services help instill confidence in our students and provide them with the necessary tools to function in everyday life.

Connection – We believe in the importance of building relationships and developing strong connectivity with our students, staff, families, and communities.

Support – ADS offers a family-like atmosphere where we strive to be a support system for our students, their families, and our staff.