



# EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS



FOR BRIGHT STUDENTS WHO STRUGGLE TO LEARN



## WHERE BRIGHT STUDENTS WITH LEARNING CHALLENGES THRIVE



Ben Bronz Academy (BBA) is a day school in West Hartford for students with learning disabilities. BBA uses a unified approach to make a lasting difference for bright students in grades 2-12 every year. Our full-time State of Connecticut Approved Private Special Education Program has a proven track record of guiding specially challenged students to begin a successful lifelong learning path.



The Learning Incentive (TLI) is a separate program that provides educational services for adults and children with or without learning disabilities who do not need a full time educational program. Motivated adults and young people develop individualized study strategies and skill building techniques that increase their learning.

## STRONG ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Ben Bronz Academy students demonstrate strong academic progress in reading, math, writing, and other academic areas. In the most recently completed school year:

- 100% of students gained at least one grade level in reading
- 23% gained 2 or more grade levels in reading
- 94% gained at least one grade level in math
- 20% gained 2 or more grade levels in math
- 86% gained at least one grade level in writing
- 14% gained 2 or more grade levels in writing



## BEYOND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Student success goes beyond the classroom into everyday life.

After a few months, students demonstrate:

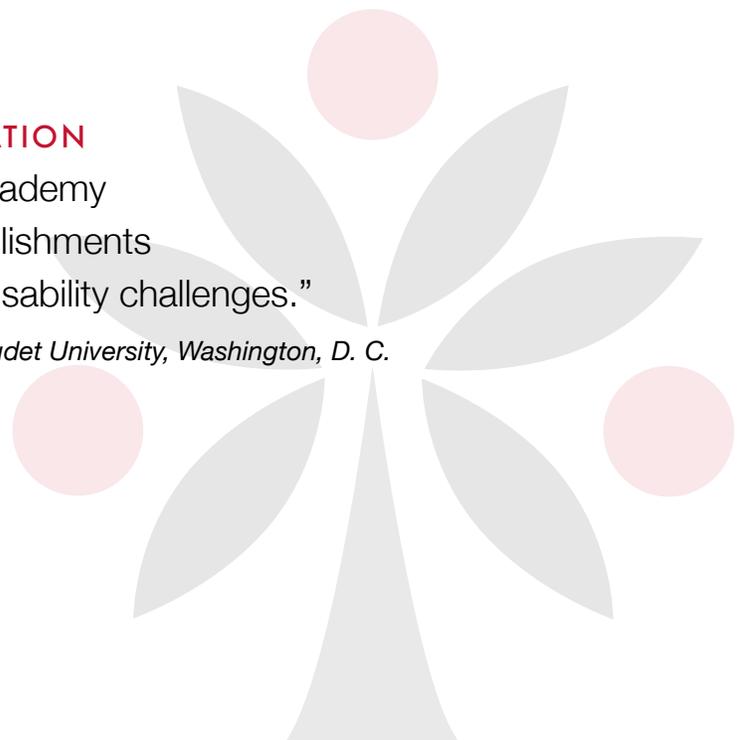
- Renewed excitement about learning and an eagerness to learn more
- Greater independence in completing school work successfully
- A more positive self-image
- Much less anxiety and frustration at school and at home
- A higher level of self-confidence



## A PROFESSOR'S HIGHEST RECOMMENDATION

“Year after year for decades Ben Bronz Academy has amassed an impressive list of accomplishments with students who have serious learning disability challenges.”

– David S. Martin, Ph.D., Professor/Dean Emeritus, Gallaudet University, Washington, D. C.



# REASONS BEHIND THE SUCCESS

**Among the major reasons for Ben Bronz Academy's 30+ years of success are:**

- Individual attention due to a 3 to 1 student/teacher ratio
- Much greater devotion to academics via an 8 hour school day focused on educational studies with the goal of returning the student to his or her home district as soon as possible
- Proven, structured, individualized programs
- Constant positive feedback whenever the student does anything that aids his or her learning
- Weekly, sometimes daily, parental communication
- Research Weeks—Two innovative five day concentrations per year during which every student conducts an in-depth exploration of a research topic.

# WHO EXCELS

**The Academy's program has been proven to work for bright students who struggle with one or more of these learning disabilities:**

- Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD)
- Dyslexia (reading disability)
- Dysgraphia (writing disability)
- Executive Function Disorder (EFD)
- Autistic Spectrum Disorders (mild/Asperger's)

*Other motivated students with learning issues have made significant progress at Ben Bronz Academy.*



# The Learning Incentive

## INDIVIDUALIZED LEARNING PROGRAM

Students who require a few hours a day of structured help come to The Learning Incentive. Some have a learning disability; others do not—just the desire to do well in an AP course, improve an SAT score, or hone their study skills. The Learning Incentive enables greater academic achievement—often more achievement than the student thought possible.



## ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

Specialized one-on-one instruction during the school day that works in concert with the student's public or private school. Students learn to take ownership of their learning.



## PRIVATE TUTORING

For students who are struggling with reading, spelling, writing, or mathematics, and who are discouraged, distracted, or learning disabled. Students are guided by teachers who are trained in nurturing an active learning style.

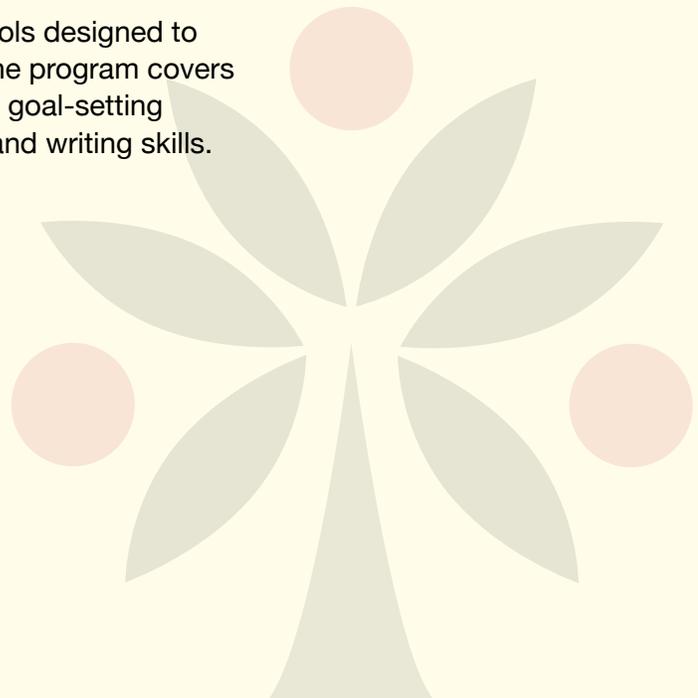


## STUDY SKILLS

Designed for middle, high school, and college students whose grades have dropped in one or more classes. Reasons for lagging performance are disorganization, procrastination, poor study techniques, or difficulty in writing papers.

## BASIC SKILLS FOR ADULTS

Day program for adults. Students learn practical tools designed to build confidence and increase job effectiveness. The program covers solving problems in the workplace, managing time, goal-setting and attainment, college readiness, math, reading, and writing skills.



## SUMMER PROGRAMS

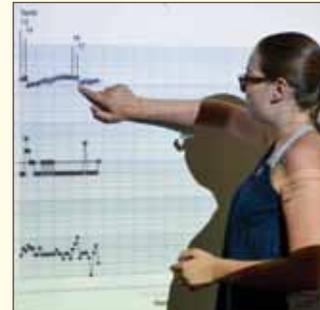
### CYBER LAUNCHPAD

- For students in grades 2-6
- Features remedial work on basic skills via computers and small group instruction



### SUMMER STUDY SKILLS

- A concentrated program for middle school, high school, and college students
- For any student who wants to improve his or her study skills



### SUMMER TUTORING SESSIONS

- Reading, comprehension, decoding, writing, and/or math review in 1 hour afternoon sessions
- Preview material and concepts that will be presented in the upcoming school year
- Additional hour of independent study available when appropriate





## LEARN MORE

Before applying, students are asked to observe an Academy class and interview with the Intake Coordinator.

**Call Today: 860.236.5807**

**Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

*A Full-time State of Connecticut Approved Private Special Education Program*

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### **Ben Bronz Foundation, Inc.**

*Parent Organization of Ben Bronz Academy and The Learning Incentive Programs*

Visit:

#### **Ben Bronz Academy**

[www.benbronzacademy.org](http://www.benbronzacademy.org)

#### **The Learning Incentive**

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ACADEMY

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**“BBA TAUGHT ME EVERYTHING I NEEDED TO KNOW...  
To go back to public school and to give me the discipline to get all  
my work done and to manage my time by organizing my work.”**

*– Charles Belvin, a two year BBA student,  
high school graduate and a junior college graduate*

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