

Please read the following paragraphs to your child or have him or her read it before coming in for the evaluation. Some parents like to do this the day before the appointment.

Spending the day at Success in Mind will probably be one of the most interesting and positive experiences of the entire year. The day will be all about **you**, which means that you will be the most important person at our Center!

You are coming here because you've been having some difficulties with aspects of learning. Along the way, you might have stopped recognizing the many amazing things that you and your brain can do because you may have only focused on the challenges. That kind of thinking can drag anyone down. Our job at Success in Mind is to discover and remind you of the many strengths you have while, at the same time, helping you to better understand the reasons why school can be hard.

You will spend most of the day with 2 people who are going to work **with** you to complete tasks—both academic and more puzzle-like. The tasks are chosen specifically for you and will show us more about your unique brain. The day will be full: you will work closely with a learning specialist and with a neurodevelopmentalist (a fancy term for pediatrician or psychologist). Don't worry, you will also have some good breaks, during which you can relax or explore the historical American Tobacco Campus. By the end of the day, you will have learned more about how your mind works: you will rediscover your strengths and better understand what causes your difficulties in learning.

After your day with us, we will create a Learning Plan for you—a plan designed to continue building the strengths you have and give you strategies that better fit/match your style of learning, which will make learning easier. Our goal is to give you the understanding of how you learn so that you are better prepared to choose the best methods of learning for yourself!

We look forward to having you here and learning more about you!