



**Cumberland
Council**

Now your child has a diagnosis of autism.

What can you expect from an educational setting?

- That they follow the advice and guidance available in the SEND Handbook and from professionals as appropriate;
- To set up a good communication method with you to make sure that information is shared;
- That they identify your child or young person's strengths as well as the their areas of need;
- Involve you as a family to review and support the achievement of targets in the educational setting and at home;
- That they will be completing the Autism Education Trust (AET) training provided by the local authority;
- That your child or young person continues to be part of the whole class grouping when and where appropriate;
- That adaptations where appropriate e.g. a quiet area/work station/'time out' space are made.

What it does not mean....

- That your child will automatically need or be entitled to 1 to 1 support from an adult;
- That your child will automatically be entitled to an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP);
- That your child will have to move educational setting.

Helpful Links:

NHS - www.nhs.uk/conditions/autism/newly-diagnosed

National Autistic Society- www.autism.org.uk

Scope - www.scope.org.uk/support/disabled-people/money/benefits

Cumbria Local Offer - localoffer.cumbria.gov.uk/kb5/cumbria/fsd/home.page

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