



## ***Are you a professional thinking of making a referral to Brainboost Education?***

Thank you for considering referring your client to us. We hope this document will help you understand the services we offer, and assist in determining how we may be of value to your client at this time.

We also provide free consultations and you can call any time to discuss a potential fit, educational service, and/or ask general questions about our approach and offerings.

### **ABOUT OUR PHILOSOPHY**

BrainBoost's learning environment nurtures individuals academically, socially, and emotionally. We aim to build intellectual self-esteem, self-regulation, and a strong sense of self by designing personalized learning plans that honour each student's unique strengths. We foster an inclusive, diverse community of learners and build caring relationships that provide opportunities for positive learning experiences and lead to increased feelings of competence.

When at BrainBoost, each child becomes the primary driver of their educational goals and the strategies to reach them. We help students achieve this by developing the critical thinking skills necessary to explore and clarify their own beliefs and values, take risks, and think and speak for themselves. Students are empowered to expand their social awareness, civic responsibility, and personal growth.

### **ABOUT OUR SERVICE**

Our services are personalized, flexible, and responsive to the changing needs of each individual student. Our entire team - educators, case managers, and administrators - works diligently to create and adjust the BrainBoost experience to be smooth, stress-free, and in line with every individual and the goals they have identified for themselves.

Each student is assigned a Case Manager who shepherds the BrainBoost experience and collaboratively works with all stakeholders - parents, counsellors, doctors, and teachers - to problem solve any issues that may arise.

We support academic studies from Grade 1 to Grade 12 and beyond including: Math, English, Social Sciences, Science, Writing, Languages, Psychology, Philosophy, History, Technology, Design, Theatre, Art, Film Studies. Our skilled team of educators is able to support any type of learning content or grade level.

BrainBoost offers three core services:

- One-on-One Educational Sessions

- Individual learning sessions in an area of cognitive or academic need with a purposefully selected educator. Each session is delivered through a student led agenda with bespoke goals, process and feedback mechanisms. Sessions can be face to face or delivered on line.
- Group Classes
  - Classes of 4 to 8 students delivered on site in which students share their learning experience. Classes provide support to students working toward graduation credits, as well as pre-credit curriculum and creative explorations. Each class is led by an experienced subject specialist and designed to provide the necessary learning scaffolds for academic knowledge and practical skill acquisition.
- Study Space
  - StudySpace is an on-site communal learning environment where students independently complete learning activities, supported by BrainBoost educators. We provide a focused space for students to practice new skills, finish work, prepare for tests, research projects, and learn organizational skills.

## ABOUT OUR PEDAGOGY

We engage learners using established and modern pedagogy. We adopt a variety of teaching strategies and approaches to help each individual with the learning challenges they may face.

Our trained staff are familiar with a range of education theories including 'Project and Inquiry based learning', 'Active learning', 'Constructivism' and 'Constructionism'. We recognise that an individual students' growth and expectations are considerations of both social and academic circumstances. By providing a personalised learning environment we facilitate individual growth at a personal pace. Students are challenged according to their skill level within their own 'Zone of Proximal Development' (ZPD).

When supporting content learning within any course, we aim for deep conceptual understanding, built through inquiry based exploration and critical thinking, as well as scaffolding specific skills with a student's unique learning process in mind.

In addition to helping with academic content, we also support students with:

- Executive Functioning (organization, study skills, time management, assignment planning, project management)
- Academic Strategies
- Skill Remediation
- Online (DL) School Course Support
- Independence and Advocacy
- Enrichment and Exploration of Areas of Passion and Strength
- Social Communication
- Course Planning
- Community Resource Referrals
- Digital Literacy

## ABOUT OUR EXPERTISE

We work with students from a variety of backgrounds with a great diversity of abilities, interests and goals. Since 2006, we have been developing specialized expertise in successfully supporting students who may have been formally assessed with, or are facing learning difficulties related to :

- Dyslexia
- Dysgraphia
- Dyscalculia
- ADHD/ADD
- Anxiety
  - Social Anxiety Disorder
  - Panic Disorder
  - Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
- Depression
- Autism
  - PDD-NOS
  - PDA
- NVLD
- Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD)
- School-based Trauma
- PTSD
- FAS

#### ABOUT OUR PROCESS

The student themselves is our client and starting with the first meeting we build the program around their unique self. During the consultation process, we take the time necessary to get to know each student, the specifics of their situation, and begin to explore the different ways that BrainBoost can offer support. Once we have a good sense of a strategy, we set up a bespoke service and an individual schedule. Throughout the entire student experience at BrainBoost, we create opportunities to reflect and take feedback from the student, parents, other stakeholders, BrainBoost educators, and adjust our service as needed. We are aware that the life of a young person is often in flux, and we aim to be agile and responsive, so we can consistently and effectively support them throughout.

#### WHAT'S NEXT

If you are an educational professional or consultant who thinks our services would benefit your client, please give us a call at 604-723-0904 or email [info@brainboosteducation.com](mailto:info@brainboosteducation.com). We welcome discussing individual situations and how we may be able to help.

Alternatively, you can also direct the individual/family to our website and [CONTACT FORM](#) and one of our Case Managers will get back to them to begin the consultation phase.