



## Schooling

Children with Intellectual Disabilities attend their local schools. Students with an Intellectual Disability work with a special education teacher and other specialists in the school. These teachers help with academics as well as daily skills such as working in a group, communicating their feelings and making decisions.

## A person is considered to have an Intellectual Disability when:

- Their intelligence (IQ) is below 70
- They show significant limitation in daily life skills
- A person is diagnosed before 22 years of age

An Intellectual Disability means it takes a person longer to learn and perform daily skills such as talking, organizing and socializing with others. Intellectual Disabilities is a term used to describe any disability affecting a person's ability to learn.

## Causes

There are no known causes why someone is born with an Intellectual Disability. An Intellectual Disability can happen before birth, during birth or after birth up to the age of 22.

There are 2.5 million people in the United States that have an Intellectual Disability.

Intellectual Disabilities include:

- Down syndrome
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
- Fragile X Syndrome