## 164.981 Definitions for KRS 164.981 to 164.9819.

As used in KRS 164.981 to 164.9819:

- (1) "Autism" means a developmental disability significantly affecting verbal and nonverbal communication and social interaction, generally evident before age three (3), that adversely affects educational performance. Characteristics of autism include:
  - (a) Irregularity and impairment in communication;
  - (b) Engagement in repetitive activity and stereotyped movement;
  - (c) Resistance to environmental change or change in daily routine; and
  - (d) Unusual responses to sensory experience.

The term does not include children with characteristics of an emotional-behavioral disability as defined in KRS 157.200;

- (2) "Council" means the Council on Postsecondary Education in Kentucky;
- (3) "Center" means the autism training center;
- (4) "Client" means a person with the primary diagnosis of autism or autistic-like behavior; and
- (5) "Expenses" means those reasonable and customary expenditures related to training and treatment of eligible clients as defined in administrative regulations promulgated by the council pursuant to KRS 13A.

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