

Hi , I hope I am writing this to the right place . I just wanted to recount the story of my daughter (now diagnosed as an Asperger Syndrome child). All through the start and continuing of her schooling I had told the school that she was 'above average' , she was reading alone & able to do addition & subtraction before starting school . They did almost nothing. In yr 4 she had a new teacher(to the school) .This teacher told my mother(a general practioner) she thought for the first half of the school year she thought my daughter was autistic!! This teacher did not tell me or follow through any such ideas with anyone else as far as I know . After this and other instances of being ignored , we took my daughter elsewhere. If that teacher thought any such thing , should she not have taken the matter further ? made some inquiries? Nothing was done. My daughter is profoundly gifted (IQ 180+). Now in hindsight , it is clear she did have problems which were not attended to - although I had asked numerous times throughout her time at that school . My daughter is a visual-spatial learner , probably with non verbal leaning disabilities that remained unidentified during her schooling at the local public school . Her brother now attends that school and once again despite my requests (because he is no doubt gifted also) nothing appears to be put in place for his education ,to cater for his needs .

Sincerely , Anonymous

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