

Time 2 Shine

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Emme's Story

I feel it is important to get the word out about the therapy I have had our daughter in since July. Just a history, our Emme was diagnosed with mild/moderate autism with very high anxiety levels last year when she was in Early Childhood at 3. At the end of the school year, we found out she was barricading herself with toys in the classroom to keep other kids away from her. While her anxiety levels were more controlled, she still had never spoken to any teacher or any of the other children. Through the Argus, we read about "Time 2 Shine" and then spoke to our neighbor who had a daughter that went there. My husband and I checked it out and in July enrolled her. It is run by a speech therapist and an occupational therapist who specialize with autistic/developmentally delayed children through age 5. In two weeks of Monday through Friday 1-4 pm sessions, we saw more improvement than we had seen all year in school. By the beginning of the school year, end of August, we were blown away by how well she was doing. She has had NO anxiety with entering school and she now plays with the other children in her class. Her speech has been exploding. We finally got her into a developmental specialist at Sanford who said Emme is the poster child for what early intervention can do. Paul and Julie at Time 2 Shine are truly angels to these kids and their parents. They teach your child how to PLAY AND INTERACT with other children. And since this is a social world we live in, unless you are never going to mainstream your child, one on one ABA therapy will never be enough (in my opinion). Time 2 Shine only allows 4 children per session (they have a morning and an afternoon) and so it is 2 children per 1 therapist. These kids learn how to interact, socialize, PLAY with other kids while working on their delays and challenges. If any Mom is searching for help like I was give them a call. The gift of having my Emme actually LOOK me in the eyes, hug me, smile at me, tell me she loves me? Priceless.

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\$12,000.00**

**2010 Total:
\$18, 143.00**

Money allocated for:

**Therapy supplies & Equipment :
\$ 3067.00**

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