National Heritage Academies

Method for Determination of Specific Learning Disability

In Michigan, with consideration of federal guidelines and state requirements, specific learning disability eligibility will be determined using pattern of strengths and weaknesses at NHA. Pattern of strengths and weaknesses (PSW) method will be used in Kindergarten through 8th grade.

PSW is based on:

- Assessment and review of achievement scores
- Performance in a variety of academic areas
 - With documentation in one or more areas as compared to other areas where the student demonstrates a pattern of significant academic weaknesses.