

How long does an evaluation take?

The length of the evaluation session(s) depends primarily on your child. The amount of sessions needed to complete your child's psychoeducational evaluation depend on your child's age, level of attention or distractibility, ability level, response style, stamina or fatigue, and the areas we are assessing. In addition, the amount of time needed to establish a rapport with children varies with each individual. We begin the evaluation only after establishing a rapport with your child. Throughout the evaluation session(s), we strive to maintain your child's level of comfort by providing short breaks and allowing him or her to work at their own pace.

On average, an intellectual assessment (“Gifted” evaluation) takes 1 to 1 ½ hours. A comprehensive psychoeducational evaluation for learning difficulties takes approximately 4 to 6 hours. A comprehensive evaluation for attentional or social-emotional difficulties can take up to 7 hours. These estimates are for the time we spend working one-on-one with your child. Consultation and interviews with parents and students, review of background information, test preparation, and report writing all require additional time.