

ALL ABOUT THE VISUAL SYSTEM

WHAT IS THE VISUAL SYSTEM?



THE SYSTEM THAT PROCESSES AND INTERPRETS OUR VISUAL ENVIRONMENT.

WHEN IT'S FUNCTIONING SMOOTHLY...

WE CAN FOCUS ON IMPORTANT VISUAL DETAILS AND FILTER OUT UNNECESSARY INFORMATION THAT CAN BE DISTRACTING.

THE VISUAL SYSTEM IS WHAT ALLOWS US TO SEE & PROCESS:

A BALL THROWN ACROSS THE ROOM



CHARACTERS ON THE TV

BRIGHT LIGHTS



THE RAINBOW IN THE SKY



HOW SOME BRAINS & BODIES RESPOND TO VISUAL INPUT

A CHILD MAY SEEK VISUAL INFORMATION MORE THAN OTHERS. THIS MAY MEAN THEY ARE...



VISUAL SENSORY SEEKERS

"VISUALLY UNDER-RESPONSIVE"

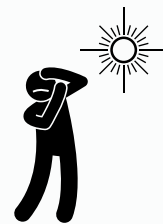
THIS MIGHT LOOK LIKE:

- STARES AT MOVING OBJECTS OR LIGHT UP OBJECTS OR TOYS FOR A LONG TIME
- SEEKS VISUALLY ENGAGING OBJECTS THAT MAY BE BRIGHT, REFLECTIVE, OR SHINY
- INSISTS ON CERTAIN CLOTHES WITH SPECIFIC COLORS, SHAPES AND VIVID PATTERNS
- CRAVES SCREEN TIME AND PREFERS VISUALLY STIMULATING MOVIES, SHOWS AND GAMES

A CHILD MAY BE MORE SENSITIVE TO VISUAL INFORMATION THAN OTHERS. THIS MAY MEAN THEY HAVE...

"VISUALLY OVER-RESPONSIVE"

VISUAL SENSORY SENSITIVITIES



THIS MIGHT LOOK LIKE:

- DIFFICULTY FOCUSING ON MOVING OBJECTS
- EASILY OVERWHELMED BY VISUAL STIMULI (EXAMPLE: WALL DÉCOR IN A CLASSROOM, CLUTTER OR MESSY ROOMS)
- SQUINTS, RUBS EYES, OR GETS A HEADACHE AFTER VISUALLY DEMANDING TASKS (I.E. USING A SCREEN, WATCHING TV)
- SENSITIVE TO LIGHT