


  
**Transition Tips to Start Your Year Off Right!**


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## Begin with the End in Mind...

What does it mean to be a successful adult?






What do you need to do to ensure quality outcomes?





## Secondary School Professionals

**Teachers**                      **vs**                      **Transition Coordinators**

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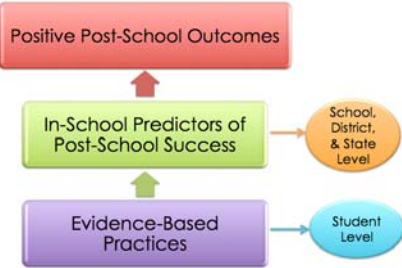
  
**6 Schools with 200 students with transition plans**  
From: Beth Clavenna Deane (2012).



## How Do You Make a Difference?

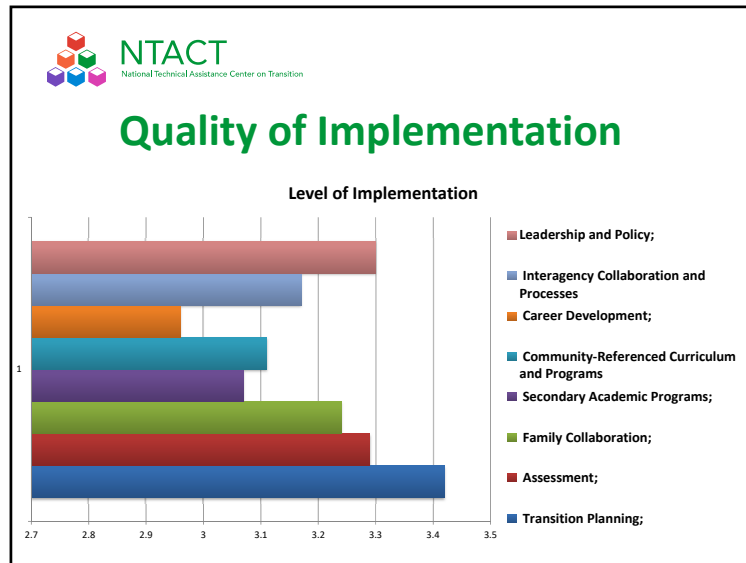
Improved Skills & Transition Programs

- Evidence-based Predictors
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- Evidence-based Practices



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    A[Evidence-Based Practices] --> B[In-School Predictors of Post-School Success]
    B --> C[Positive Post-School Outcomes]
    A --> D((Student Level))
    B --> E((School, District, & State Level))
          
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National Technical Assistance Center on Transition

## Transition Coalition Partners with NTACT

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Never stop learning.

MY PORTFOLIO

TC WEBINARS

News and Noteworthy

<http://transitioncoalition.org/>

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## Transition Planning

- Use a Dream Sheet
- Support Students in IEPs
- Self-Directed IEPs
- Learn about a Student's Team
- *Supported* Self Determination
- Begin Planning Skills EARLY


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## Resources


- *Opening Doors: Transition Resources for Students with Disabilities Planning for Life after High School*
  - <http://www.witig.org/opening-doors.html>
- *Transition Coalition The Essentials of Self-Determination*
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/self-determination-introduction/>
- *Dude Where's My Transition Plan*
  - <http://www.tnstep.org/uploads/files/Dude%20Transition%20Book%20-%20Final.pdf>
- *Planning for Your Transition from High School to Adult Life*
  - <http://ruralinstitute.umt.edu/transition/articles/planningworkbook.pdf>
- National Transition Technical Assistance Center
  - <http://transitionta.org/>
- Transition Education Materials
  - <http://www.ou.edu/content/education/centers-and-partnerships/zarrow/transition-education-materials.html>



## Transition Assessment




- Use a Transition Assessment Planning Process
- Have IEP Team Members complete Pre-IEP Forms
- Develop Transition Assessment Templates
- Create Transition Portfolios
- Create a Transition Assessment Timeline




## Poll: Which Assessment Method Do you Use the Most?

- Standardized Assessments
- Interviews
- Surveys
- Checklists
- Work Samples
- Curriculum Based Assessments
- Career Interest Inventories
- Observations
- Environmental Assessments





## Resources

- Transition Coalition Assessment Review
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/tc-assessment-reviews/>
- Self-Determination Assessments at the Zarrow Center
  - <http://www.ou.edu/education/centers-and-partnerships/zarrow.html>
- A Roadmap for Transition
  - <http://www.youth-move.org/transition-timeline>
- Transition Coalition online module: *Transition Assessment: The BIG Picture*
  - [http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/ta\\_welcome-2/](http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/ta_welcome-2/)
- NTACT Transition Assessment Toolkit
  - <http://transitionta.org/sites/default/files/TransitionAssessmentToolkit.pdf>
- Life After High School: Creating Transition Portfolio
  - <http://lifeafterieps.com/transition-portfolios/>



## Family Collaboration

- Send a Communication Survey to Parents
- Establish “Office Hours”
- Send Home IEP Questions
- Use a Parent Transition Survey
- Collaborate with Parent Organizations
- Share Materials and Resources with Parents



## Resources

- Transition Coalition: *Working with Families*
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/welcome-wf/>
- I'm Determined Parent Resources
  - <http://www.imdetermined.org/parents/>
- Center for Parent Information & Resources, *A Parent's Guide to Age of Majority*
  - <http://www.parentcenterhub.org/repository/age-of-majority-parentguide/>
- PACER Center, National Parent Center on Transition & Employment
  - <http://www.pacer.org/transition/>
- NTACT Parent and Family Involvement Annotated Bibliography
  - <http://transitionta.org> > Post-School Success
- **The Family Engagement for High School Success Toolkit**
  - <http://www.hfrp.org/>



## Secondary Academic Programs

- Find and Provide Resources to Teachers for:
  - Skills and Experiences to be College and Career Ready
- Supporting Inclusion in HS
  - Co-Teaching, Collaboration, Work-based learning
- Embedding “Transition” into Academic Content
- Focus on School Completion and School Engagement for At Risk Students
- Use Evidence-based Academic Interventions to Teach Academic Skills



## Resources

- College-Ready Programs for Students with Disabilities
  - NTACT <http://transitionta.org> > Resources > Transition Planning
- NTACT Evidence Based Practices for Academics:
  - <http://transitionta.org/evidencepractices>
- Career Technical Education Resources
  - <http://www.careertech.org/CCTC>
- College and Career Readiness Success Center
  - <http://www.ccrscenter.org/>
- Tier 1 & 2 Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports in Secondary Schools
  - NTACT <http://transitionta.org> > Resources > Transition Planning
- What Does it Take to be College and Career Ready?
  - Transition Coalition <http://transitioncoalition.org> > Webinars
- Strategies for Building Student Engagement-Reducing Dropout
  - Transition Coalition <http://transitioncoalition.org> > Webinars



## Community Referenced Curriculum

- Focus on College and Career Readiness Skills and Experiences
  - Academic and non-academic
- Promote Postsecondary Ed programs for students aged 18-21
- Embedding “soft skills” within students’ school and community activities



## Resources

- Pennsylvania Transition Guide Resources:
  - <http://www.secondarytransition.org/resources>
- Think College
  - <http://www.thinkcollege.net/>
- Transition & Instructional Strategies
  - <http://www.ncset.org/topics/default.asp>
- Transforming education through UDL
  - <http://cast.org/>
- NTACT Annotated Bibliographies:
  - *Financial Literacy*
  - *Sexuality and Transition*
  - *Health Issues and Transition*
- Skills to Pay the Bills
  - <https://www.dol.gov/dol/media/webcast/20121015-softskills/>
- IRIS Center
  - <http://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/>



## Career Development

- Develop Work-based Internships
- Collaborate with Career Technical Education
- Collaborate with Workforce Centers
- Join Community Business Organizations
- Utilize Student Connections
- Establish a System for Organizing Business Contacts
- Maintain High Expectations for Integrated Employment
- Learn about Customized Employment



## Resources

- Transition Coalition *Enhancing Employment Outcomes*
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/welcome-eeo/>
- Snag a Job
  - <http://www.snagajob.com>
- Job Shadow
  - <http://www.jobshadow.com>
- NTACT Research-based Practices for Employment
  - <http://transitionta.org/researchpractices>
- A Guide to Developing Collaborative School-Community-Business Partnerships
  - NTACT <http://transitionta.org> > Resources > PostSchool Success
- One Stop Career Centers
  - <http://www.onestops.info/>
- Customized Employment Resources
  - <http://www.dol.gov/dol/media/webcast/20110610-odep-ce-1.htm>



## Interagency Collaboration

- Attend Resource Fairs
- Collaborate with Area Transition Coordinators
- Establish Relationships with Community Organizations
- Organize Trainings Sharing Information about Community Agencies
- Establish a Community Transition Team
- Develop Resource Directory for Families & Students



## Resources

- Transition Fair Toolkit
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/tc-materials/nsttac-transition-fair-toolkit/>
- Pennsylvania Transition Guide
  - <http://secondarytransition.org/>
- Parent Action Transition Handbook
  - [http://www.advocarebrpeds.com/getattachment/e970db5b-e605-4dd7-812a-27d90c1516c4/Parent-Action-Transition-Handbook-\(PATH\).aspx](http://www.advocarebrpeds.com/getattachment/e970db5b-e605-4dd7-812a-27d90c1516c4/Parent-Action-Transition-Handbook-(PATH).aspx)
- A Collaborative Interagency, Interdisciplinary Approach to Transition from Adolescence to Adulthood
  - [http://www.aucd.org/ecp/template/news.cfm?news\\_id=8881&parent=0&parent\\_title=AUCDigest:%20done&url=/ecp/template/news\\_mgmt.cfm?type%3D476%26topic%3D108](http://www.aucd.org/ecp/template/news.cfm?news_id=8881&parent=0&parent_title=AUCDigest:%20done&url=/ecp/template/news_mgmt.cfm?type%3D476%26topic%3D108)
- CIRCLES Project for Interagency teams
  - <http://circles.uncc.edu/>



## Leadership & Program Development

- Establish Program Goals
- Set-Up Quarterly Extended Team Meetings
- Train High School Education Teams
- Share Resources with Other Transition Coordinators
- Evaluate the Quality of Your Transition Program
- Enroll in a Transition Course, Online Professional Development
- Attend a Transition Conference
- Advocate for Enhanced Transition Programs



## Resources

- Transition Institute Toolkit
  - [http://transitionta.org/sites/default/files/Paper\\_InstituteTK2nd.pdf](http://transitionta.org/sites/default/files/Paper_InstituteTK2nd.pdf)
- Transition Team Leader Sustainability Toolkit
  - [http://transitionta.org/sites/default/files/Paper\\_TeamLeaderTK.pdf](http://transitionta.org/sites/default/files/Paper_TeamLeaderTK.pdf)
- Transition Coalition Online Modules and Team-Based Self-Study
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/blog/transition-coalition-self-study/>
- Division of Career Development and Transition
  - <http://community.cec.sped.org/dcdct/home>
- Quality Indicators of Effective Transition Program Evaluation
  - <http://transitioncoalition.org/qi-survey-introduction/>
- NTACT Predictor Implementation Self-Assessment
  - <http://transitionta.org/postschool>



## Online Tools to Make Your Life Easier

- Symbaloo
  - <https://www.symbaloo.com/home/mix/13eOcmZU9A>
- Kanban Flow
  - <https://kanbanflow.com>
- Remind
  - <https://www.remind.com>
- Padlet
  - <https://padlet.com>



**Poll:**  
**Which Domain Will You Focus on Improving?**

- Transition Planning
- Transition Assessment
- Family Collaboration
- Secondary Academic Programs
- Community Referenced Curriculum
- Career Development
- Interagency Collaboration
- Leadership & Program Development



**Always End on a High Note!**

