

# **Technical Assistance Guide For Transition in the IEP**

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# Examples of Transition Services/Coordinated Set of Activities

## Instruction:

- ❖ Tour postsecondary occupational training programs
- ❖ Contact local college for disability documentation policy
- ❖ Complete and submit application to postsecondary institution
- ❖ Tour Career Planning Center and inquire in to training programs available through them
- ❖ Visit college campuses and meet with disability coordinators
- ❖ Explore admission requirements for vocational/technical school
- ❖ Explore admission requirements for state colleges
- ❖ Write an info interview letter to the disabilities coordinator at a post-secondary school of interest
- ❖ Research college scholarship opportunities
- ❖ Obtain, complete and submit applications to colleges of interest
- ❖ Obtain, complete and submit applications for financial aid
- ❖ Complete learning styles inventory to identify preferences and strengths
- ❖ Complete an assistive technology evaluation
- ❖ Meet with military recruiters to discuss educational benefits
- ❖ Meet regularly with HS guidance counselor about necessary paperwork for college admissions
- ❖ Complete a study skills training class
- ❖ Attend Catch the Wave workshop (annually in April)
- ❖ Enroll in vocational education classes/multi-district classes
- ❖ Check with college/tech school about “auditing” classes
- ❖ Sign up for/take ACT-SAT test
- ❖ Request accommodations for ACT-SAT test if necessary
- ❖ Apply for financial aid for college (seniors)
- ❖ Verify that current course of study matches requirements at chosen college or technical school
- ❖ Review and update transition assessments (ESTR, TPI, Brigance Inventory, etc)
- ❖ Have assistive technology assessment done to determine possible need/benefit from assistive technology device



## Related Services:

- ❖ Identify and visit community mental health agencies
- ❖ Visit potential post-school providers of physical therapy
- ❖ Learn to use a guide dog effectively
- ❖ Identify potential post-school providers of recreation therapy or occupational therapy and potential funding sources
- ❖ Receive orientation and mobility training in place of employment
- ❖ Explore city/county transportation options
- ❖ Learn about potential post-school providers of speech therapy
- ❖ Identify possible sources of support for coping with difficult life situations
- ❖ Obtain new equipment (i.e., wheelchair, seating, braces, Assistive Technology, etc.)
- ❖ Apply for a mentor through a local, non-profit agency for substance abuse counseling

## Community Experiences:

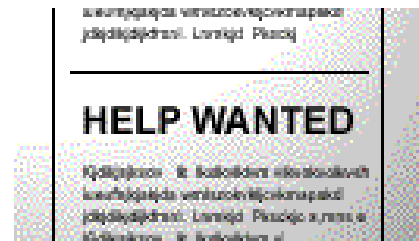
- ❖ Take classes through the local 4-H organization
- ❖ Enroll in community ed or recreational programs of interest
- ❖ Learn about Americans with Disabilities Act

- ❖ Learn about students' rights under IDEIA
- ❖ Enroll in self-advocacy/self-awareness study
- ❖ Participate in church youth groups
- ❖ Visit potential places in the community to shop for food, clothes, etc
- ❖ Tour the city library
- ❖ Join a community recreation center or YMCA
- ❖ Obtain a state id card or driver's license
- ❖ Participate in age appropriate social activities (dances, dating, concerts, sporting events, etc)
- ❖ Register to vote
- ❖ Register with the selective service
- ❖ Observe a courtroom or jury duty process
- ❖ Take Drivers Ed class/get Drivers Ed training/one-one if needed
- ❖ Sign up to help with summer recreation programs, Park & Rec, etc.
- ❖ Join local service clubs (Lions, Sertoma, Kiwanis, etc)



## **Employment:**

- ❖ Interview a job coach for possible help following high school
- ❖ Participate in a career awareness program or class
- ❖ Interview an adult worker in career field of interest
- ❖ Job shadow an adult worker in career field of interest
- ❖ Participate in Project Skills, if VR eligible
- ❖ Obtain a paid part-time job
- ❖ Take the ASVAB
- ❖ Tour SD Career Center (formerly Job Services)
- ❖ Practice completing job applications and interviewing skills
- ❖ Volunteer in career of interest
- ❖ Memorize your Social Security number
- ❖ Draft resume, cover letters and thank you notes for after interviews
- ❖ Meet with Job Corps counselor
- ❖ Perform duties/school staff (secretary, janitor, cook, teacher, etc)
- ❖ Research 3 different careers/write paper
- ❖ Take career interest inventories/surveys to help pinpoint interest area
- ❖ Attend Career Days with high school class



## **Acquisition of Daily Living Skills:**

- ❖ Explore city/county transportation options
- ❖ Enroll in self-advocacy/self-awareness study or class
- ❖ Enroll in any 'consumer science' class at HS (foods, parenting, single survival, money/time management, etc) to learn about...
- ❖ Learn about time management
- ❖ Take a CPR/First Aid course
- ❖ Develop monthly living budget
- ❖ Apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- ❖ Open a bank account
- ❖ Memorize phone number and complete mailing address
- ❖ Access postal services
- ❖ Explore insurance issues/needs
- ❖ Explore guardianship issues
- ❖ Perform minor home repairs
- ❖ Register with the Division of Developmental Disabilities

- ❖ Schedule and keep appointments
- ❖ Obtain addresses & phone numbers in the telephone directory
- ❖ Use telephone independently
- ❖ Learn to operate a washer, dryer, dishwasher, microwave
- ❖ Learn to tell time
- ❖ Manage daily time schedule
- ❖ Take medications independently (or learn how to)
- ❖ Develop a network of informal supports (friends, neighbors, etc.)
- ❖ Inquire in to rates of utilities (gas, water, electric, phone, cable, etc)
- ❖ Develop a personal fitness routine
- ❖ Obtain a bank ATM card
- ❖ Attend to daily grooming/hygiene skills independently
- ❖ Meet with potential landlord to learn about expectations of a renter
- ❖ Purchase food and prepare meals
- ❖ Purchase clothing and learn how to care for clothes
- ❖ Apply for Youth Leadership Forum (annually in June)
- ❖ Apply for Job Corps training program
- ❖ Visit local Independent Living Center to inquire about services
- ❖ Have independent living assessment done
- ❖ Develop emergency procedures for use at home
- ❖ Select a primary care physician and dentist.
- ❖ Keep and use a calendar, address book, telephone numbers
- ❖ Plan recreational outings (alone and/or with friends) weekly
- ❖ Inquire into/decide what religious denomination to join



### **Other Post-School Adult Living Objectives:**

- ❖ Visit community mental health agencies
- ❖ Identify potential postsecondary providers of related services and their funding sources
- ❖ Check availability of mentor program in community
- ❖ Learn about community agencies that provide services and support to people with disabilities
- ❖ Tour area adjustment training center
- ❖ Complete application for ATC
- ❖ Contact Independent Living Center for possible services
- ❖ Inquire in to housing assistance program (HUD)
- ❖ Contact Services to the Blind & Visually Impaired
- ❖ Inquire into programs available through Department of Social Services (food stamps, medical insurance, etc)
- ❖ Inquire about Division of Rehabilitation eligibility
- ❖ Maintain regular contact with VR counselor
- ❖ Apply for Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- ❖ Learn how wages may affect benefits such as Medicaid

### **Functional Vocational Evaluation:**

- ❖ Participate in a situational vocational assessment
- ❖ Provide opportunities for job sampling in the community
- ❖ Collect info re. the student's vocational interests and abilities
- ❖ Conduct formal aptitude tests such as VALPAR and WRIT
- ❖ Review previously administered career interest assessment
- ❖ Meet with HS guidance counselor to affirm vocational interests & align graduation plan to need
- ❖ Complete CHOICES or Bridges computer program to determine vocational interests