



# Available Service Options

COMMUNITY BASED VOCATIONAL  
ASSESSMENTS

CONTRACTED TRANSITION  
CONSULTANTS

JOB COACHING

LIFE—Living: Independence For Every-  
one! 18 to 21 year old Community  
Based Transition program

TRAVEL TRAINING



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## Career Development Program

*Bridging School to the Adult World*



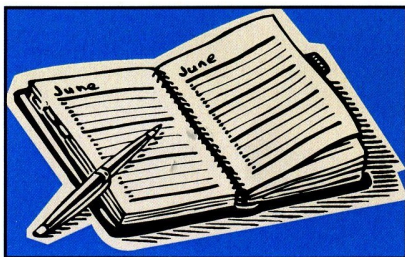
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# Program Description

## *TRANSITION CONSULTANTS*

hold Special Education Certification with a minimum of 5 years experience as well as Cooperative Education Certification. This certification provides highly qualified personnel able to meet requirements of Secondary Transition, Indicator 13 and 14 under the Federal and State requirements as well as follow the state and federal labor laws related to employment to facilitate the transition from school to the "world of work" with development such as:

- ◆ Student Transition Assessments
- ◆ Career exploration and development for employment
- ◆ Exploration and support for post secondary education
- ◆ Activities and support for independent living
- ◆ Parent/Teacher support



*JOB COACH* service includes student support at the job site facilitating independence and success. The job coach is trained to develop a job description/task analysis and complete regularly scheduled progress monitoring with a quarterly summary. The job coach works closely with the teacher or transition coordinator at the district sharing student progress, need for accommodations to support independence, and information from the business site. The job coach is a liaison between the school and the employer building solid relationships in the community.

*TRAVEL TRAINING* services are provided by certified special education teachers who have completed competency-based training as travel instructors. Trainers provide individualized instruction to teach students the skills necessary to travel safely and efficiently within home, school, and/or community environments.

- ◆ **External Assessment** A functional assessment of the student's strengths and needs for skill development related to travel situations.
- ◆ **Independent Travel Instruction** A short-term, comprehensive instructional program designed to teach the student how to travel safely and independently to/from a destination.
- ◆ **Travel Awareness Lessons** These individualized lessons offer the student a general overview of skills associated with travel. Lesson concepts may include, but are not limited to: an overview of public transportation, pedestrian safety and street-crossing skills, orientation skills, and functional life skills.
- ◆ **Teacher Consultation/In-Service** Travel Instructors are available to provide teacher consultation and in-service for the development of curriculum to support increased independence and travel.

*LIFE PROGRAM* The LIFE program is designed for students who are 18 to 21 years old who have completed their 12th grade year but need further education to prepare for the adult world. The program provides intense dedication to preparing young adults to reach their post school goals. Real life experiences, natural consequences and work opportunities are embedded in the program. The program focuses on increased independence, employment and participation as a member of the community. The LIFE program is located in the community and provides job coaching, travel training, transition and special education support.

*COMMUNITY BASED ASSESSMENT* is a holistic assessment of an individual's interests, needs, and abilities in a work setting or settings located in the community. It can include information from Situational Assessments, Try Outs or Trials and Supported Employment. A comprehensive CBA report will be provided at the completion of the CBA. The Assessment will be completed by a Transition Consultant trained in writing vocational assessments.

## EVERYONE BENEFITS

Districts, charter and private schools are eligible to use contracted services and resources that support IDEA post school goals including post secondary education, employment, and independent living provided through the Career Development Program to enhance and support student transition and their success in to the adult world..