

Transition Services

What is Transition?

Transition services are intended to prepare students to move from the world of school to the world of adulthood.

Transition planning considers students':

- Strengths
- Needs
- Abilities

Transition addresses the following areas:

- Employment
- Education/Training
- Independent Living Skills
- Community Participation

When does Transition planning begin?

- Transition planning is mandated by state and federal law that each student in Special Education will have transition prior to their 14th birthday.
- Klein ISD provides transition inventories, check lists, Career Cruising Plans, and ESTR assessment to identify student's strengths, preferences, interests and needs.

Why is Transition important?

- Once a student exits the school system, all services are based on eligibility instead of entitlement (as are school services).
- All services must be put in place by family, student and school staff to avoid a student from having a lack of opportunity to learn or work.

What to consider in Transition planning?

- When will the student graduate?
- Under what plan will the student graduate?
 1. Distinguished (26 credits)
 2. Graduate with Endorsements (26 credits)
 3. Foundation Program (22 credits)
 4. IEP Completion (Age Out)
- Will the student attend college, a trade school or community classes?
- Will the student work and what resources will be needed to support successful employment?
- What will the student do for recreation and social interaction?
- What financial and personal supports will be needed?
- What transportation services will the student need?
- How will the student move smoothly from pediatric to adult medical services and how will the student pay for the services?
- What are the considerations for parents obtaining guardianship?

Transition and Employment Guide

The Transition and Employment Guide is for students with a disability in Texas public schools that have been receiving special education services. This guide is available through the Texas Education Agency, (TEA) through the following link:

<http://www.transitionintexas.org>