# Coordinated Set of Needed Activities/Strategies Examples

Instruction
Community Experiences
Employment
Related Services
Post School and Adult Living Skills
Acquisition of Daily Living Skills
Functional Vocational Assessment

### Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Instruction"

Activities/strategies listed in this area have to do with "instruction," whether that is a formal or informal imparting of knowledge or skills. The activities/strategies can include, but are not limited to, such things as:

- 1. Complete a learning styles inventory to identify preferences and strength modes
- 2. Collect information regarding the student's desired postsecondary educational involvement
- Visit college campuses and meet with student support services
- 4. Enrollment in a tech-prep program
- 5. Learn about Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and Americans with Disabilities Act
- 6. Explore admission requirements for possible part-time enrollment at a Vocational/Technical School
- 7. Learn about the process for accessing apartments for rent
- 8. Obtain information on continuing adult education opportunities
- 9. Enroll in Self-Advocacy/Self-Awareness Studies
- 10. Enroll in career and vocational education/vocational English
- 11. Take occupation specific courses
- 12. Enroll in an adult living course
- 13. Enroll in an internship/apprenticeship program
- 14. Participate in extra curricular activities such as
- 15. Enroll in Adult/Continuing Education courses such as
- 16. Enroll in Community College courses such as
- 17. Enroll in parenting classes
- 18. Learn financial management-money skills
- 19. Learn about time management
- 20. Practice negotiation skills for job raises, car purchases, etc.
- 21. Access tutoring services in school or through a private agency
- Write an information interview letter to the disabilities resource coordinator at a postsecondary school
  of interest
- 23. Take a GED pre-test
- 24. Take a CPR/First Aid course
- 25. Enroll in a SAT prep course
- 26. College prep: courses, ACT/SAT, application
- 27. Learn about community agencies that provide services and support to people with disabilities
- 28. Tour post school occupational training programs
- 29. Obtain, complete, and submit applications to colleges of choice
- 30. Research college scholarship opportunities
- 31. Obtain, complete, and submit applications for tuition assistance programs
- 32. Enroll in and take classes through the local County Extension Program
- 33. Special Education supports in identified classed
- 34. Apply for and take ACT testing with accommodations.
- 35. Take Transportation Mobility courses
- 36. Learn and practice self-advocacy
- 37. Develop work readiness skills and vocational English
- 38. Learn about and practice social skills
- 39. Learn about and practice communication skills
- 40. Learn about the decision making process and practice the skills
- 41. Develop Crisis Management skills
- 42. Take driver's education

## Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Community Experiences"

Activities/strategies listed in this area emphasize activities/strategies that are generally provided outside the school building and that prepare the student for participation in community life. These activities should encourage the student to participate in the community, including government, social, recreational, leisure, shopping, banking, transportation, or other opportunities.

- Learn how to access and/or use relevant community resources (health care facilities, bank, library, Laundromat, postal services, church, restaurant, hair stylist)
- 2. Learn to make and keep own appointments
- 3. Learn to identify appropriate resource for problem solving
- 4. Skill training to demonstrate appropriate social behaviors in the community (tipping, asking for assistance, standing in line, being quiet in relevant situations)
- Skill training to demonstrates an understanding of cost saving techniques (comparison shopping, sale prices, discount stores versus department stores)
- Learn to get around in the community (driver's license/vehicle, public transportation, maps/schedules/asking for directions)
- Develop a realistic plan for addressing post secondary housing needs and demonstrates the ability to secure housing (understands cost of different types of housing, housing contracts, process of relocating)
- 8. Apply for residential services
- 9. Develop an understanding of basic insurance needs and where to purchase coverage
- 10. Training to be able to locate specified areas with his/her own school and neighborhood
- 11. Skill training to be able to understands relevant community signs (Men, Women, Do Not Enter, Danger)
- 12. Skill training to select and order his/her own food in restaurants
- 13. Skill training to safely cross streets including those with traffic lights
- 14. Develop skills to access needed items in grocery store
- 15. Skill training to recognize and understand cost and pay for small purchases in the community
- Skill training to understand purchasing options when paying for large purchases in the community (credit cards, loans)
- 17. Training to understand and know the dangers of accepting assistance or goods from strangers
- 18. Training to use a cell phone
- Develop the ability to respond to emergency situations in the community (missing the bus, contact with strangers, being lost)
- Develop the skills to identify the locations of and get to social service agencies (employment agencies, rehabilitation services, social services, adult services)
- 21. Practice banking, budgeting, and shopping skill
- 22. Use public transportation or get a driver's license
- 23. Join local organization or club
- 24. Register to vote, learn how to vote
- 25. Explore new ways to use leisure time
- 26. Identify any supports needed to participate in activities
- 27. Knowledgeable about banking options: checking, savings, etc.
- 28. Identify specific community facilities to join for recreation/leisure services
- 29. Identify specific recreation/leisure activities of choice and participate independently
- 30. Identify activities of choice to do with family members or friends
- 31. Identify activities of choice to do with a provider
- 32. Investigate participation in church/temple or social/recreation events
- 33. Learn about and visit potential places in the community to shop for food, clothes, etc.

- 34. Investigate youth volunteer programs at the library
- 35. Investigate youth volunteer programs at the hospital
- 36. Investigate participation in community sports teams or organizations (softball, bowling, etc.)
- 37. Join a community recreation center of YMCA
- 38. Learn about the community theater group
- 39. Learn about the community horticultural club
- 40. Learn about the community historical preservation society
- 41. Identify different living/housing options
- 42. Tour apartments for rent
- Investigate participation in community civic and social organization (Lions Club, Jaycees, Kiwanis, etc.)
- 44. Obtain a state identification card or driver's license
- 45. Join a community team or organization (church group, bowling league, etc.)
- 46. Learn to ride a skateboard, roller blade, bike, or other outdoor activity
- 47. Observe a courtroom or jury duty process
- 48. Register for classes with city parks and adaptive recreation programs
- 49. Register with Selective Service

# Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Employment"

Activities/strategies listed in this area focus on development of work-related behaviors, job seeking and keeping skills, career exploration, skill training, apprenticeship training, and actual employment.

- 1. Collect information regarding the student's desired employment and career interests for adult life
- 2. beyond college and/or postsecondary vocational training
- 3. Work towards obtaining a license to become a
- Meet with adult workers in the career field of
- 5. Participate in a career awareness program
- 6. Participate in a community-based career exploration program
- 7. Explore possible summer employment through the Summer Youth JTPA program
- 8. Meet with supported employment agencies to identify and evaluate their services
- Participate in a supported employment job experience
- 10. Learn about employability skills and schedule a work experience
- 11. Learn about the county one-stop career centers
- 12. Obtain information and/or apply for youth apprenticeship program
- 13. Complete the online application for Vocational Rehabilitation
- 14. Schedule a visit with the local VR office to determine eligibility for services
- 15. Meet with a VR counselor to develop an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE)
- Write a Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) and submit it to Social Security to obtain funding for starting a business
- 17. Learn more about the voucher for Ticket to Work (for SSI beneficiaries) and interview providers
- 18. Contact the state Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired to obtain employment services
- 19. Register with Employment Services
- 20. Take the ASVAP
- 21. Visit the labor organization offices for a local union
- 22. Practice completing job applications and interviewing skills
- 23. Obtain a paid job in an area of interest
- 24. Conduct an informational interview with military branch officers
- 25. Memorize your Social Security number
- 26. Attend transition fair or career fair at school and/or in the community

- Obtain a list of providers to VR who conduct person-centered planning, job development and placement, and job coaching
- 28. Draft resume, cover letters, and thank you notes for after interviews
- 29. Meet with a Job Corps counselor
- 30. Participate in job shadowing
- 31. Observe job site and develop a task analysis for job activities
- 32. Purchase clothes for job interviews
- 33. Meet with armed forces recruiter
- 34. Practice punctuality
- 35. Understand factors which influence job retention, dismissal, and promotion
- 36. Respond appropriately to verbal correction from others
- 37. Maintain a productive work rate
- 38. Follow directions without complaint
- 39. Maintain appropriate work habits when supervisor is not present
- 40. Demonstrate the skills necessary to perform successfully in a job interview
- 41. Accurately complete a job application
- 42. Have a variety of successful community-based work experience
- 43. Participate in chores at home
- 44. Visit possible employment sites
- 45. Volunteer in your community
- 46. Learn how to interview, write resumes, cover letters, and do a job search
- 47. Get a part-time job in your area of interest
- 48. Go on informational interviews with employers
- 49. Learn your strengths and skills
- 50. Demonstrate good attendance
- 51. Demonstrate appropriate hygiene and grooming
- 52. Recognize the need to eventually support himself/herself
- 53. Understand how work provides opportunity to develop personal relationships
- 54. Understand how work contributes to self-confidence
- 55. Understand how workers contribute to society
- 56. Understand a paycheck
- 57. Responds appropriately to authority figures
- 58. Develop skills to understand that some jobs do not require further education
- 59 . Develop an understanding of the relationship between specific jobs and the education required
- Learn to access various resources for assistance in job searching: want ads, employment agencies, online resources
- 61. Skill training to develop the necessary interpersonal skills to work with others (good listening skills, good verbal communication skills)

# Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Related Services"

Activities/strategies in this area should consider the current and projected related service needs of the student. This area of the statement of needed transition services is not for specifying the needed related services for the next school year. Related services for the coming school year should be addressed in another section of the IEP. Rather, the context of related services in this statement has to do with determining if the related service needs will continue beyond school, helping to identify who or what agency might provide those services, helping to identify how the student and parent can access those services and then connecting the student and parent to whomever will provide those services before the student leaves the school system. This type of

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planning, discussion, and identifying of activities/strategies should make the move from the school being one related service provider to another adult agency or service provider as seamless as possible for students and families.

- Rehabilitation counseling
- Orientation and mobility services
- Develop linkages to adult agencies or providers
- 4. Develop a list of people, phone numbers, etc., who can be resources to you once you leave school. Keep this information in a safe place that you remember!!!
- Apply at adult support agencies
- 6. Identify and visit community mental health agencies
- 7. Identify potential post school providers of related services and funding sources
- Identify potential post school providers of recreation therapy or occupational therapy and potential funding sources
- 9. Visit potential post school providers of physical therapy
- Apply for a mentor through a local, non-profit agency for counseling of substance abuse and delinquency
- 11. Engage in conversations using an augmentative communication device
- 12. Receive orientation and mobility training in place of employment
- 13. Learn about potential post school providers of speech therapy
- 14. Explore city/county transportation options
- 15. Apply for eligibility with state transportation program
- 16. Apply for eligibility with the state division of Mental Health Services
- 17. Apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) from the Social Security Administration (SSA)
- 18. Write a Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) and submit it to SSA to obtain funding for transportation to and from a job
- 19. Identify possible sources of support for coping with difficult life situations
- 20. Obtain a driving capability assessment from
- 21. Interview and select an adult provider
- 22. Modify vehicle explore options for modified transportation
- 23. Complete an assistive technology evaluation
- 24. Enroll in a delinquency prevention program
- 25. Obtain new equipment (wheelchair, seating, braces, Assistive Technology, etc.)
- 26. Line up audiological services for post school
- 27. Contact college/tech school to arrange for class interpreters
- 28. Include involvement of school health and social work services

### Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Other Post School and Adult Living Objectives"

Activities/strategies listed in this area emphasize activities/strategies that focus on adult living skills. These are generally those activities that are done occasionally such as registering to vote, filing taxes, obtaining a driver's license, renting or buying a home, accessing medical services, obtaining and filing for insurance, planning for retirement, and accessing adult services such as Social Security.

- Collect information regarding the student's desired residential life beyond high school and a residential
  postsecondary education setting
- 2. Make application for post secondary housing
- 3. Make applications to post secondary educational options

4. Apply for financial assistance to access post secondary training/learning options

 Skill training for development of self confidence (i.e. communicates need for appropriate accommodations, practices self advocacy skills in a variety of settings, feels good about self)

 Skill training for self awareness (i.e. understanding of physical self; identifies abilities, interests, areas of weakness; understands personal emotions; understands the implications of disability; understands and identifies personal goals)

Register to vote and learn about the election process

- 8. Register for selective service and learn about public service obligations/opportunities
- 9. Obtain a driver's license
- 10. Obtain assistance to complete a tax return
- 11. Explore insurance issues/needs
- 12. Explore guardianship issues and estate planning
- 13. Apply for disability card for reduced fees with public transportation
- 14. Obtain assistance on management of financial resources and legal issues
- Learn about managing/maintaining/performing simple repairs on a home and obtaining modifications/accommodations
- 16. Open a bank account and manage finances/budgets/bills
- 17. Apply for credit cards and manage personal debt
- 18. Apply for housing assistance (HUD)
- 19. Apply for consumer education on home buying and informed decision-making
- 20. Visit adult service providers in the community
- 21. Learn about expectations for eating in restaurants
- 22. Obtain information on managing personal health and fitness
- 23. Meet with a social worker to discuss interpersonal skill development
- 24. Plan for vacation/leisure activities
- 25. Learn about consumer skills, rights, and responsibilities
- 26. Join the local YMCA, YWCA, health club, or community recreation center

# Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Acquisition of Daily Living Skills"

Daily living skills are those activities that adults do most every day. These can include such things as preparing meals, budgeting, maintaining a residence, paying bills, raising a family, caring for clothing, and/or personal grooming.

- 1. Visit community agencies that provide daily living skills training to adults
- 2. Develop a contact list of agencies that provide residential supports in this county
- Meet with and interview adults with disabilities and their families who are receiving residential supports
- Register with the Department of Human Services
- 5. Contact a DHS case manager to be placed on the residential service waiting list
- 6. Visit/tour a variety of adult housing options with supports
- 7. Develop a network of informal supports (friends, neighbors, etc.)
- 8. Explore possible technology and adaptive assistance
- Develop emergency procedures for use at home
- 10. Take courses in foods, family life, child development, and life management
- 11. Understand directions for taking medications
- 12. Select a primary care physician and dentist
- 13. Schedule and keep medical appointments
- 14. File taxes
- 15. Take childcare classes
- 16. Take a cooking class

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- 17. Develop skills to know where and how to find post school housing
- 18. Sign up for utilities (gas, water, electric, telephone, cable, etc.)
- 19. Learn to operate a washer and dryer
- 20. Visit a local car dealer to determine whether to buy or lease a car
- 21. Prepare an initial housing budget (down payment, furniture, bath towels, cleansers, utilities, etc.)
- 22. Cost compare for household items (appliances, linens, etc.)
- 23. Meet with a doctor to discuss birth control/family planning options
- 24. Manage daily time schedule
- 25. Open a checking/savings account
- 26. Manage money and pay bills
- 27. Meet with a family financial planner
- 28. Listen to the weather forecast to plan daily/weekly outings
- 29. Develop a personal fitness routine
- 30. Obtain a bank ATM card
- 31. Visit a bank to discuss a car or school loan
- 32. Meet with a potential landlord
- 33. Investigate local insurance companies for automobile and rental or homeowner's insurance
- 34. Maintain a home or residence interior and exterior
- 35. Skill training to purchase food
- 36. Skill training to prepare meals
- 37. Skill training in purchasing clothing and learning how to care for clothes
- 38. Skill training to learn about the physical and personal care of children
- 39. Learn and practice decision making skills
- 40. Learn time management skills
- 41. Skill training to care for personal toileting needs
- 43. Skill training to dress and undress self
- 44. Skill training to communicate personal information (i.e. name, address, gender, telephone number)
- 45. Skill training to prepare and serve foods which requires little or no cooking
- 46. Skill training to demonstrates acceptable eating behaviors (i.e. uses utensils appropriately, chews with mouth shut, takes appropriate sized bites, uses napkin, practices good manners)
- 47. Skill training to dress appropriately for specific situations (i.e. weather, special events, casual, seasonal)
- 48. Skill training in maintaining a comfortable room temperature in the home (i.e. open and close windows, adjust a thermostat, open and close doors)
- 49. Skill training to chose and wear clothing appropriate in size, color, patter, and style
- 51. Skill training to demonstrate safety precautions in the home (i.e. use of locks, proper use of appliances)
- 52. Skill training to recognize when clothing repair is necessary and when to either mend the item or arrange for assistance
- 53. Skill training to develop an understanding of words found in the home environment (i.e. on appliances, on medicines, on recipes)
- 54. Skill training to act responsibly in caring for own and others' property
- 55. Skill training to prepare and serve simple foods which require cooking
- 56. Skill training to develop a neat appearance (i.e. hair style, proper use of make-up, appropriate shaving, clean clothing)
- 57. Skill training to maintain a clean body (i.e. bathe, use deodorant, brush teeth, care for menstrual needs, wash/dry hair)
- 58. Skill training to determine temperature by reading a thermometer
- 59. Learn to prepare and serve at least 3 simple meals which require little or no cooking
- 61. Training to demonstrate proper judgment in food storage
- 62. Skill training to learn how and when to seek medical assistance
- 63. Skill training on how to treat minor illnesses (i.e. headaches, nausea, fever, body aches)
- 64. Develop skills to perform light household maintenance (i.e. simple repairs, change light bulbs, unclog drain)
- Demonstrate qualities of a good citizen (i.e. obeys rules and laws, shows consideration for others, respects the environment)

- 67. Develop a shopping list based on recognized household and personal needs
- 68. Skill training to develop an acceptable understanding of concepts related to sexual awareness
- 69. Skill training to sort, wash, dry, fold, and put away laundry
- 70. Skill training to performs basic first aid skills (i.e. treating cuts and burns, performing the Heimlich maneuver)
- 71. Skill training on measurement as it applies to everyday living
- 72. Develop advanced telephone skills (i.e. long distance, phone card, directory, directory assistance, taking messages, call waiting/forwarding, cell phone)

# Suggested Transition Activities/Strategies for "Functional Vocational Assessment"

A functional vocational evaluation is an assessment process that provides information about job or career interests, aptitudes, and skills. Information is gathered through situational assessments in the setting where the job is performed. This can include observations, formal or informal measures, and should be practical. Information gathered through a functional vocational assessment can be used to refine educational experiences, courses of study, and employment activities/strategies in the statement of needed transition services.

- 1. Complete a functional vocational evaluation
- 2. Produce observable work samples
- 3. Complete an interest/aptitude survey
- 4. Complete ASVAB
- 5. Teacher and parents/guardians complete an Enderle-Severson Transition Rating Scale
- 6. Complete a non-verbal picture career interest inventory
- 7. Complete an application to VR
- 8. Other