



Parent Transition Sessions 2010-2011 **For students with disabilities and their families**

Planning for life after high school for students with disabilities can be a daunting task. Come hear professionals discuss topics pertinent to transition planning. Transition Sessions are being collaboratively offered by Transition Consultants from several school districts throughout the area.

You will need to register for each presentation that you are attending to ensure ample space for participants.

Please register at least 1 week before each session. RSVP to lauratsewp@gmail.com

(while we encourage registration, no one will be turned away at the door. Please come!)

If you need a reasonable accommodation, please let us know when you RSVP at least 3 weeks in advance so that we are able to discuss your needs. Thank you.

✓ **Oct 19, 2010 @ 6:30 College Night** for High School students with IEPs or 504 plans and their parents. College representatives (HVCC, St Rose, SCCC) will provide a panel presentation about the transition to college for students needing accommodations and services at college. Location: Niskayuna HS Auditorium - Laura Thomson

✓ **Nov 18 @ 6:30-8:30 Transition Agency Fair** at Shaker HS. High School parents and students will have an opportunity to shop around and see what services are available in the Capital District. **Location: Shaker HS** in the Lafollette Dining Room - on right as soon as you enter the building through the main entrance. All area schools are welcome. - Julia Gold. The following agencies will be represented: Mildred Elly, Austin Beauty School, CDTA, Center for Disability Services, Employment Options, RSS, Clearview Center, NE Career Planning, NE Associates, Wildwood, Living Resources, STRIDE, Special Olympics, New Visions, TBI, Center for Independence, Culinary Training Institute, ASPIRE, AHEADD, and the Epilepsy Foundation. See you there!

Jan 6@ 6:30 (snow date Jan 19) The World of OMRDD/OPWDD services... the application and eligibility process for individuals with developmental disabilities, Medicaid waiver programs, and agency services available for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Most appropriate for parents of elementary through HS aged children. All area schools welcome to attend. **Location: Scahlmont High School Library - Lin Polster**

Jan 13th (snow date Jan 20) @ 6:30 Guardianship & Special Needs Trusts for individuals with developmental disabilities. Learn how to plan for your loved one with a disability. Most appropriate for parents with elementary through HS aged children w/ developmental disabilities. **Location: Burnt Hills High School Auditorium - Mary Leach**

Feb 7th (snow date Feb 9) @ 6:30 CDTA and 55B Come hear about special programs offered through the Capital District Transportation Authority; travel training and STAR bus with MaryEllen Casey-Usis, ADA coordinator for CDTA. Then learn about how our state and local government have positions available just for those who qualify based on their disability, the 55B program. An informative night, for sure! **Location: Guilderland High School Auditorium - Laura Thomson**

March 15th (snow date March 22nd) 6:30 NYS VESID Orientation —who are they and what vocational and educational services can they offer to students as they prepare for life after high school. Most appropriate for High School juniors and seniors & their parents. All area schools are welcome to attend. **Location: South Colonie HS Room 110 - Elizabeth Klotz**

April 12th 6:00-8:00 Trade Fair ... Come shop around and talk to representatives from local vocational and trade schools and get informed about what schools have to offer you. From cosmetology to construction, dog grooming to welding... you will see them all. All area high schools are welcome to attend. Most appropriate for HS students and parents. **Location : Shenendehowa High School East Gym- Suzanne Hasko**

May TBD Social Security Benefits... what you should know about applying for benefits for your child with a disability. A representative from Social Security will demystify this system and answer your questions about benefits. All area schools welcome to attend. Most appropriate for parents of elem. through high school students. **Location: TBD - Carron Rutnik**

⇒ **Please check your school's website (special ed page) for updates to this schedule.**