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Goals of Transition

The goal of Transition Services is to prepare each student for adult life based on their goals, interests, and abilities. Marcfirst provides information, assistance and educational support to students and their families as they prepare to transition into adulthood.

There are a number of resources available through Marcfirst including:

- Family Consultations
- Tours of Marcfirst adult services
- IEP meeting attendance
- Transition programs



Marcfirst supports people with developmental disabilities and families in McLean County with opportunities to reach their full potential through a lifetime of meaningful services.

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For a complete list of supports and resources offered at Marcfirst, visit our website at www.marcfirst.org.



Family & Student Support

FAMILY CONSULTATIONS

Our staff is available to meet individually with students and their families to discuss transition planning. We focus on topics such as pre-graduation experiences, post-graduation preferences, and government benefits.

LINKAGE TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

We are here to help you identify and locate information you need such as applying for government benefits or community resources.

- PUNS
- SSI
- Medicaid
- Guardianship

TOURS OF ADULT SERVICES

Marcfirst has several programs available to young adults after they exit the public school system. Touring these services helps students and their families become more familiar with their future options.

- Developmental Training
- Supported Employment
- FriendsFirst
- Community Integrated Living Arrangements



IEP MEETING ATTENDANCE

Marcfirst's participation in IEP meetings is a good way for the student and their family to learn more about the programs and services available at Marcfirst. It also gives us the opportunity to learn more about what supports we can offer to help make the student as successful as possible.

TRANSITION CLUB

Transition Club is an after school program for students age 16-21. It provides a variety of learning opportunities important to students who will soon be transitioning from high school to adulthood. Students learn about self-advocacy, community involvement, life skills, and physical/emotional health in a fun environment!

- Monday or Tuesday 4:00-5:30 pm during the school year.

S.T.A.R.

Spring Training on Adult Resources (S.T.A.R.) is a spring break program for students age 16-21. This program gives students the opportunity to learn more about public transportation, employment, residential options, and independent living skills.

- Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-3:30 pm during the week of McLean County spring break.

S.T.W.S.P.

School to Work Summer Program (S.T.W.S.P.) is a program for students age 16-21 who are interested in preparing for employment. During this program students work on developing interview skills, building a resume, expanding computer knowledge, and participating in community job shadowing experiences.

- One week program is Monday-Friday 1:30-4:30 pm.
- Five week program begins mid-June. Sessions are Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 am-11:30 am OR 1:30 pm-4:30 pm

