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# Transition Assessment: The Essentials

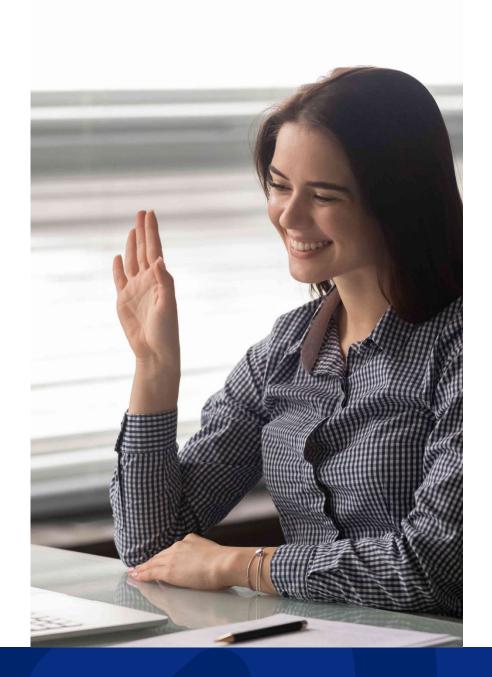
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### Introductions



- Name
- Educational Organization (EO)
- Position/Role

### **Blueprint for Improved Results for Students** with Disabilities

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#### **Self-Advocacy**

Students engage in self-advocacy and are involved in determining their own educational goals and plan.

#### **Family Partnership**

Parents, and other family members, are engaged as meaningful partners in the special education process and the education of their child.

#### **Specially-Designed Instruction**

Teachers design, provide, and assess the effectiveness of specially-designed instruction to provide students with disabilities with access to participate and progress in the general education curriculum.

#### **Research-Based Instruction**

Teachers provide research-based instructional teaching and learning strategies and supports for students with disabilities.

#### Multi-tiered Support

Schools provide multi-tiered systems of behavioral and academic support.

#### **Inclusive Activities**

Schools provide high-quality inclusive programs and activities.



#### **Transition Support**

Schools provide appropriate instruction for students with disabilities in career development and opportunities to participate in work-based learning.

# **Meeting Norms**

- Take care of your needs (water, food, restroom, etc.)
- Speak your truth—Use "I" statements
- Ask what you need to understand and contribute
- Listen with respect
- Push your growing edge
- Participate and struggle together
- Expect a lack of closure
- Respect each other's needs

# Learning Objectives

### **Participants will:**

- Identify what transition is and why it's important.
- Learn how transition assessments support career planning.
- Explore transition assessments for education and training, employment, independent living, and those that generalize across areas.
- Use assessment results to identify transition strengths and needs, and to develop individualized goals and services.

# Materials

- Why Is Transition Planning Important?
- Understanding New York State (NYS) Age 12 Assessment
- National Technical Assistance Center on Transition: The Collaborative (NTACT:C) From Assessment to Practice: A Model for Teachers
- Family Involvement in the Transition Assessment
   Process
- NTACT:C Collaborative Assessment Guide for Transition Planning
- Transition Assessment Resources for Students with Disabilities
- Transition Assessment Resources in Languages Other Than English
- Transition Assessment Planning Form

- Guide to Creating and Using a Transition Assessment Toolbox
- Study Skills Assessment Questionnaire
- Preparing for the American College Test (ACT)
- Career Clusters Interest Survey Fillable Form
- Pulos' Career Awareness and Exploration Toolkit (P-CAET)
- Casey Life Skills (folder)
- Family Cultural Asset Profile—Fillable Forms (folder)
- Student Dream Sheet
- American Institutes for Research (AIR) Self-Determination Assessment—Fillable Forms (folder)
- Transition Individualized Education Program (IEP) Mapping Tool Template

#### Video: The Story of Richie Parker, Hendrick Motorsports Designer—Chevy Hardcore

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# **Richie Parker**

### Imagine you have a student who was born without arms.



- Think about your expectations.
- What types of career opportunities are available for this student?
- What accommodations will this student need?



# Why Is Transition Important?

**Outcomes for Students with Disabilities** 





Disability Awareness and Self-Advocacy

### Graduation and Dropout



# An Introduction to Transition Assessment



# NYS Regulations for Transition Assessment



### §200.4(b)(6)(viii) and §200.4(d)(2)(ix)(a)(2)

- School districts shall ensure that students age 12, and those referred to special education for the first time who are age 12 and over, shall receive an assessment that includes a review of school records and teacher assessments, and parent and student interviews to determine vocational skills, aptitudes, and interests.
- For those students beginning not later than the first IEP to be in effect when the student is age 15 (and at a younger age, if determined appropriate), and updated annually, the IEP shall, under the applicable components of the student's IEP, include appropriate measurable postsecondary goals based upon ageappropriate transition assessments relating to training, education, employment, and, where appropriate, independent living skills.

### **Transition Assessment**



- Is an ongoing process of collecting information on a student's strengths, interests, skills or aptitudes, preferences, and needs related to current demands and future career, educational, personal, and social environments.
- Provides a foundation for defining IEP goals and transition services and guides instructional decision-making.
- Results from initial assessments and should be the starting point for transition planning.
- Helps students with disabilities identify the skills needed to achieve postschool goals.
- Serves as a guide for students to make informed choices and take charge of their transition planning process.

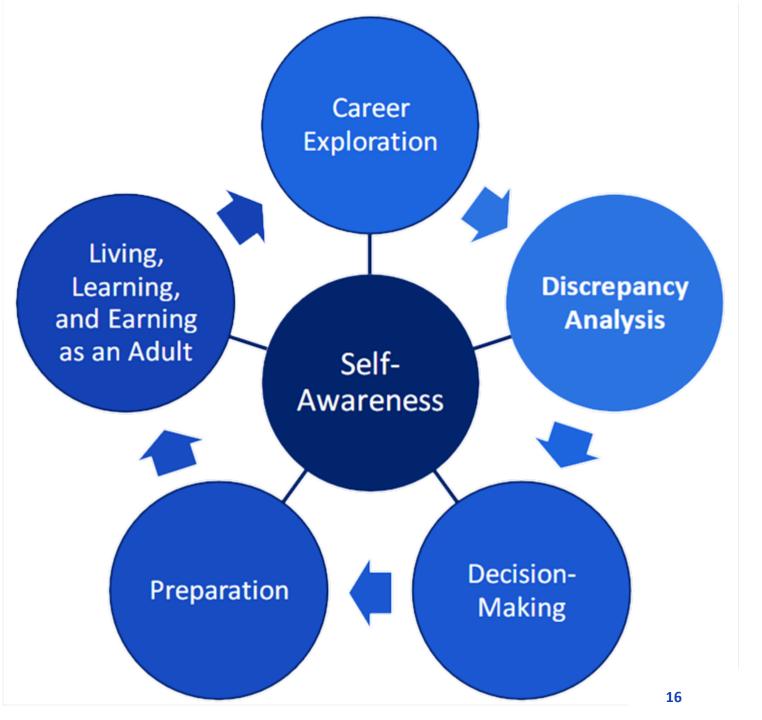


### **Transition Assessment Is Strengthened When**



- Teachers across curriculum areas collaborate to conduct transition assessments related to specific content areas.
- School counselors and educators work together to gather transition assessment information.
- Families and students are involved in the process.

### The Ongoing Nature of Career Development

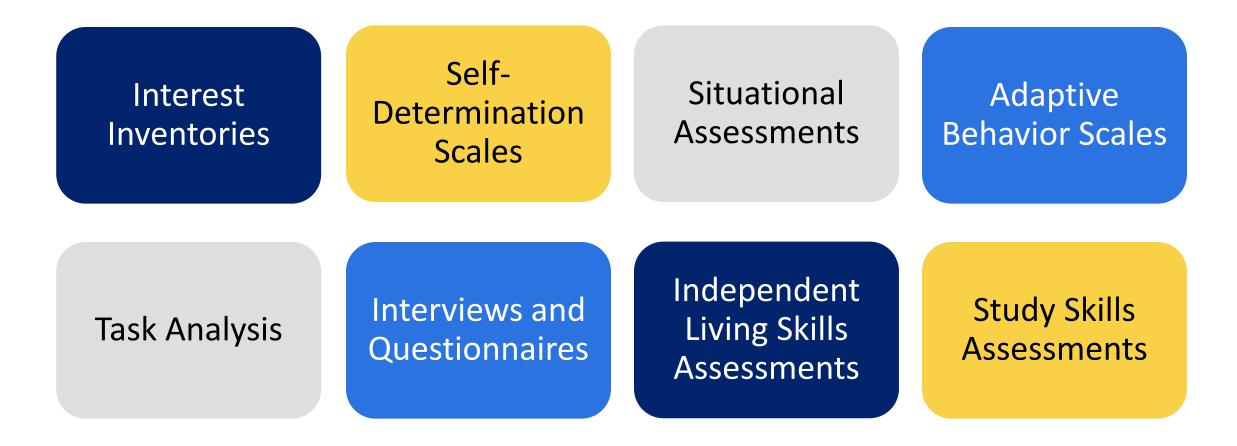


## **Clarifying Leveled Assessments**

- Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 are terms **no longer used** to describe transition assessments in NYS.
- In NYS, at least one **age-appropriate transition assessment** is required to write appropriate measurable postsecondary goals.

## **Types of Transition Assessments**

**Transition assessment includes a variety of instruments such as:** 



### Formal vs. Informal Assessments

- Informal measures may include interviews or questionnaires, direct observations, anecdotal records, environmental or situational analysis, curriculum-based assessments, interest inventories, preference assessments, and transition planning inventories.
- Formal assessments are standardized instruments that include descriptions of their norming process, reliability and validity, and recommended uses.

# What Is Validity and Reliability?

### **For Formal Assessments**

- Validity is evidence that shows what the assessment is supposed to measure, how the assessment measures it, and for whom the assessment should be used.
- Reliability reports whether the scores are consistent—i.e., can you take the assessment today and four weeks from now and get the same results?
- Basic validity and reliability questions include:
  - What is the assessment's purpose?
  - For whom is the assessment designed?
  - How were the items developed?

## **Transition Assessment Should Address Three Areas**

### **Education and Training**



### Employment



#### Independent Living (if appropriate)



Handout

# **Transition Assessment Planning Form**



This planning form provides a fillable template that follows the student throughout the transition planning process. It will assist users to:

- Describe accurate present levels of performance, including the student's skills/strengths, preferences, interests, and needs related to postsecondary goals.
- Identify transition needs, services, and coordinated activities.
- Craft questions to pinpoint information and data needed by the team.
- Conduct, analyze, and summarize transition assessments.

# Guide to Creating and Using a Transition Assessment Toolbox



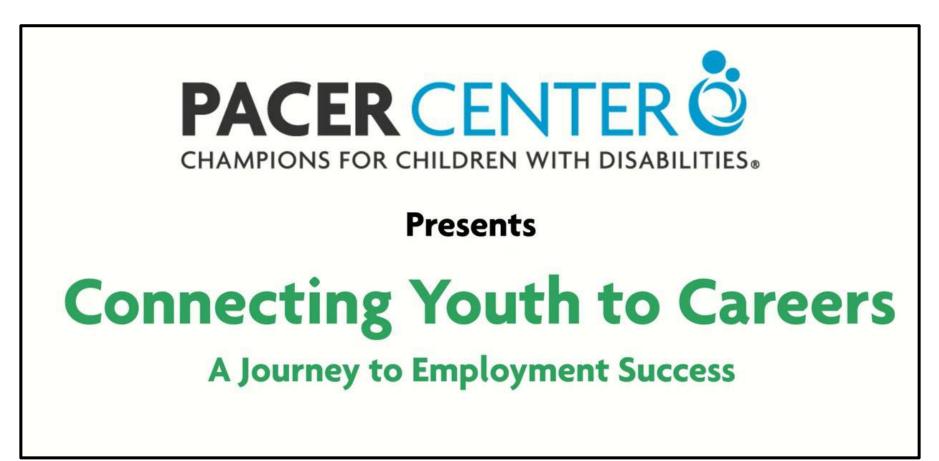
The guide provides reflective questions and graphic organizers to assist with:

- Creating a repository of high-quality transition assessments.
- Supporting staff in determining and completing age-appropriate transition assessments.
- Understanding transition assessment results.
- Using transition assessment results to develop the IEP.
- Sharing transition assessment results with students, families, and school staff.

### **Connecting Youth to Careers**

#### **A Journey to Employment Success**

**Full video link** 



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# Education and Training Assessments

### Study Skills Assessment Questionnaire

**Section 1**: Time Management and Procrastination Section 2: Concentration and Memory **Section 3:** Study Aids and Note-Taking **Section 4:** Test Strategies and Test Anxiety **Section 5:** Organizing and Processing Information Section 6: Motivation and Attitude Section 7: Reading and Selecting the Main Idea Section 8: Writing

# Study Skills Assessment Example



### Section 3: Study Aids and Note-Taking

### STUDY AIDS/NOTETAKING

- 1. While I am taking notes I think about how I will use them later.
- 2. I understand the lecture and classroom discussion while I am taking notes.
- 3. I organize my notes in some meaningful manner (such as outline format).
- 4. I review and edit my notes systematically.
- 5. I take notes on supplementary reading materials.
- 6. I have a system for marking textbooks.
  - 7. When reading, I mark or underline parts I think are important.
- 8. I write notes in the book while I read.

### TOTAL



Based on your interests, identify up to five course areas *which you might like to major in* or in which you might like to take introductory courses, even if you don't major in that field.

Agriculture	
Agriculture	
Animal Science	
Forest and Rangeland	
Landscape Architecture	
Arts	
Art	

**Computer Graphics** 

Culinary Science

### **My Majors**

#### **MyMajors**

### **Postsecondary Readiness Rubric**

- Helps a student determine how they perform on some of the critical skills needed to succeed in a postsecondary setting (e.g., career school, community college, college, university).
- Uses a rubric rating scale from 1 to 4.
- Examines the student's skills in ten areas:
  - Self-awareness
  - Resiliency
  - Connections
  - Social skills: personal
  - Social skills: academic
  - Motivation

- Study skills: acquiring and manipulating information
- Study skills: using and producing information
- Literacy
- Legal framework

### **ACT Prep**



- Test prep suggestions
- Prohibited behavior during testing guidance
- Sample scoring form
- Practice multiple choice sections
- Practice essay prompts
- Answer key
- Explanation of scores

- Take official digital practice tests and learn helpful strategies to prepare for adaptive testing using the Bluebook app.
- Access full-length paper (nonadaptive) practice tests, which are recommended for students who will test with paperbased accommodations on test day.
- Learn how to apply assistive technology to digital practice tests and get tips for taking a paper practice test.

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Prep

## **Postsecondary Education and Experience (PEaE) Assessment**

- A Delphi method was used to identify and validate skill requirements for postsecondary experience programs across the country.
- The PEaE Assessment consists of 71 questions for IEP teams to complete.
- These questions were evaluated, revised, and confirmed important by PEaE directors.

The potential student currently participates in all mandatory meetings and planning sessions.

O Never
O Rarely
○ Sometimes
O Most of the time
() Always

# **Think College**

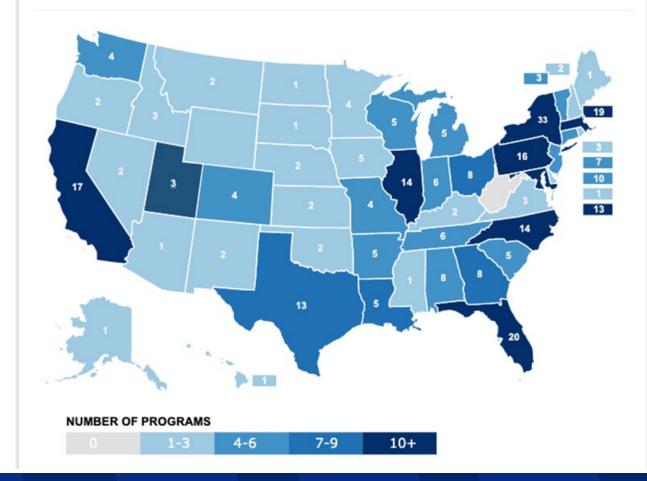
- A national organization dedicated to developing, expanding, and improving inclusive higher education options for people with an intellectual disability
- Think College supports evidence-based and student-centered research and practice

#### Find the College that is right for you!

This directory includes information on 300 college programs for students with intellectual disability. You can search by program name, location, and other keywords. "Advanced Filters" offer more options to narrow your search.

Review these Frequently Asked Questions for answers to some general questions on college programs, how we gather the information in the directory, and how to use the features of College Search.

Once you have located colleges you are interested in, download the How To Think College Guide to Conducting a College Search [PDF]. It provides you with the right questions to ask in order to get the answers you need about each program on your list. The How To guide is also available in Spanish.



# **Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)**

Verbal Math	Science/Technology	P&P ASVAB # of test items	CEP ICAT # of test items
General Science	Measures knowledge of life science, earth and space science, and physical science	25	16
Arithmetic Reasoning	Measures ability to solve basic arithmetic word problems	30	16
Word Knowledge	Measures ability to understand the meaning of words through synonyms	35	16
Paragraph Comprehension	Measures ability to obtain information from written material	15	11
Mathematics Knowledge	Measures knowledge of mathematical concepts and applications	25	16
Electronics Information	Measures knowledge of electrical current, circuits, ?devices, and electronic systems	20	16
Auto Information	Measures knowledge of automotive maintenance repair	25	11
Shop Information	Measures knowledge of wood and metal shop practices	25	11
Mechanical Comprehension	Measures knowledge of the principles of mechanical devices, structural support, and properties of materials	25	16

#### (Military Advantage, 2023) Understand the ASVAB

### **ASVAB Branch Requirements**

### **Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT)**

Each service determines the qualifying AFQT score for enlistment purposes.

Service Branch	Required AFQT Score*
Army	30
Navy	35, or 26 with waiver
Marine Corps	32
Air Force	31
Coast Guard	36, or 32 with waiver

## Indiana Secondary Transition Resource Center–Transition Assessment Matrix

College Planning Worksheet	
	An Authentic Assessment
Name:	
College:	
Career and Technical Education	on Report
	An Authentic Assessment
Student:	
Program:	
Instructor:	

College Planning Worksheet | Career Technical Education (CTE) Report | Transition Assessment Matrix

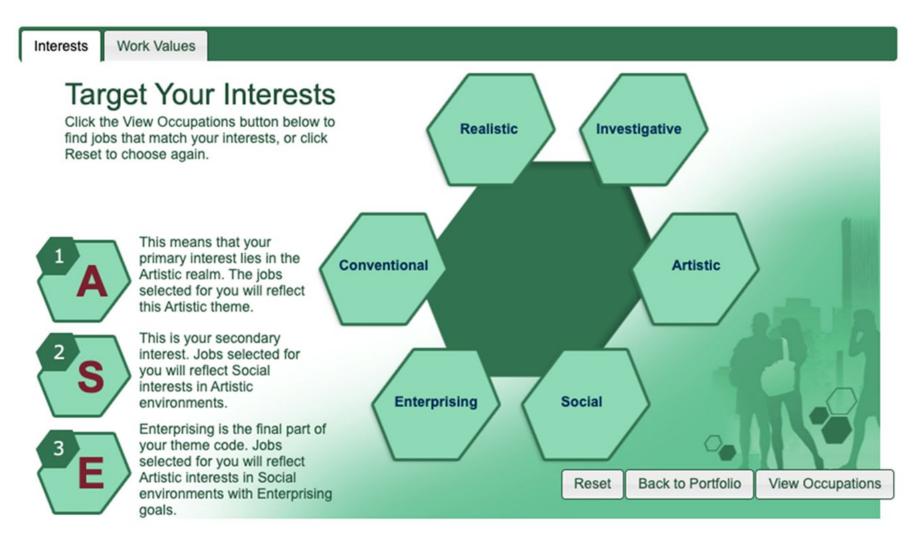
### Let's Practice #1



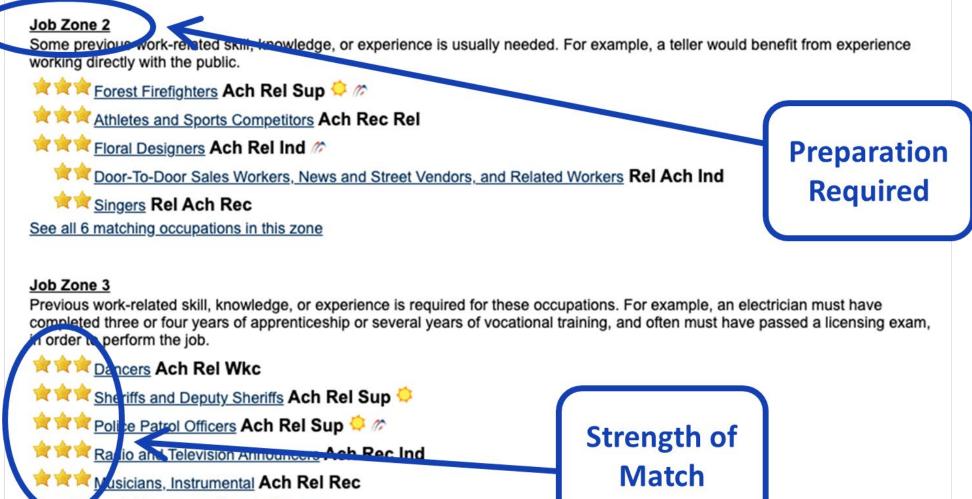
### **Study Skills Assessment Questionnaire**

### **Employment Assessments**

### **New York Career Zone—Interests**



### **Career Zone—Assessment Results**



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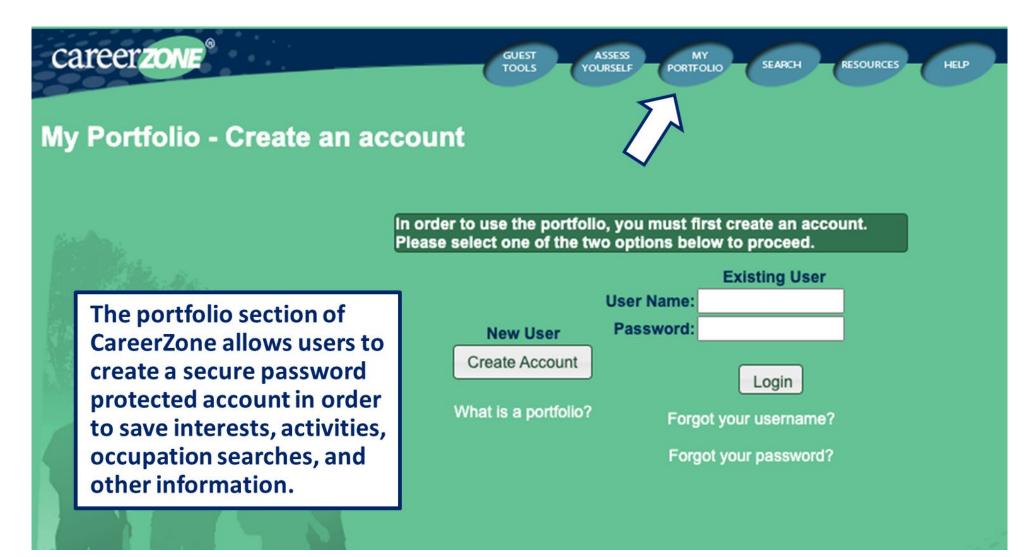
### **Career Zone—Search Results**

#### **Search Results**

Below are search results that match your criteria. Learn more details about each occupation by clicking on the occupation title.

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	Description		🔅 💠	Ø \$ 🛷 \$	Action
Bakers	Mix and bake ingredients to produce breads, rolls, cookies, cakes, pies, pastries, or other baked goods.	<u>JOBS</u>		(P)	>>> <u>&gt;</u>
Bicycle Repairers	Repair and service bicycles.	JOBS	🔅		»»»»
Biochemical Engineers	Develop usable, tangible products, using knowledge of biology, chemistry, or engineering. Solve problems related to materials, systems, or processes that <u>more</u>	JOBS	🔅 🖉	1	
<b>Biochemists and Biophysicists</b>	Study the chemical composition or physical principles of living cells and organisms, their electrical and mechanical energy, and related phenomena. May <u>more</u>	JOBS			<b>&gt;&gt;&gt;</b>
<b>Bioinformatics Scientists</b>	Conduct research using bioinformatics theory and methods in areas such as pharmaceuticals, medical technology, biotechnology, computational biology, proteomics, more	JOBS			<b>}</b> )))
Biological Technicians	Assist biological and medical scientists in laboratories. Set up, operate, and maintain laboratory instruments and equipment, monitor experiments, make <b>more</b>	JOBS		()	

### **Create a Career Zone Account**





#### **Career Clusters Interest Survey**

Career Clusters Interest Survey Name\_

School

Date

**Directions:** Circle the items in each box that best describe you. You may make as many or as few circles in each box as you choose. Add up the number of circles in each box. Look to see which three boxes have the highest numbers. Find the corresponding Career Clusters on the pages immediately following this survey to see which Career Clusters you may want to explore.

B0X 1	<ul> <li>Activities that describe what I like to do:</li> <li>1. Learn how things grow and stay alive.</li> <li>2. Make the best use of the earth's natural resources.</li> <li>3. Hunt and/or fish.</li> <li>4. Protect the environment.</li> <li>5. Be outdoors in all kinds of weather.</li> <li>6. Plan, budget, and keep records.</li> <li>7. Operate machines and keep them in good repair.</li> </ul>	Personal qualities that describe me: 1. Self-reliant 2. Nature lover 3. Physically active 4. Planner 5. Creative problem solver	School subjects that I like: 1. Math 2. Life Sciences 3. Earth Sciences 4. Chemistry 5. Agriculture	Total number circled in Box 1
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### **Additional Career Clusters Assessments**

#### Career Interest Survey

In order to choose a career that will give you personal satisfaction, you must spend some time thinking about what really interests you. This activity helps you match your interests to different types of careers. For each item, circle the letter of the activity you would rather do. It doesn't matter if you like both of them a lot or dislike both of them a lot; just pick the one you would rather do, and circle that letter.

<ul> <li>A – Operate a printing press</li> <li>B – Study the causes of earthquakes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>E – Make three-dimensional items</li> <li>D – Analyze handwriting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>L – Build kitchen cabinets</li> <li>N – Refinance a mortgage</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>C – Plant and harvest crops</li> <li>R – Replace a car window and fender</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>B – Design indoor sprinkler systems</li> <li>F – Run a factory sewing machine</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A – Sing in a concert</li> <li>R – Direct the takeoff/landing of planes</li> </ul>

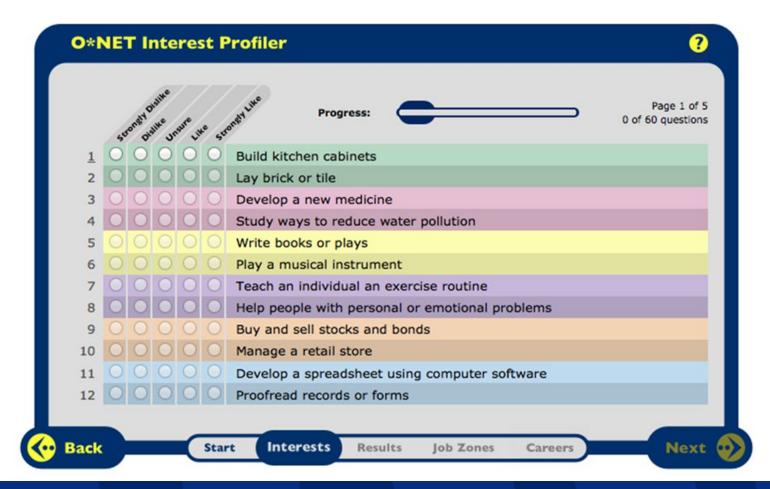
Circle the items in each box that best describe you. You may circle as many items as you want. When done, add the number of circles in each box to see which three have the highest totals.

box	Activities that describe what I like	Personal qualities	School subjects	Total
	to do:	that describe me:	I like:	number
1	<ul> <li>Learn how things grow and stay alive</li> <li>Make the best use of the earth's natural resources</li> <li>Hunt and/or fish</li> <li>Protect the environment</li> <li>Be outdoors in all kinds of weather</li> <li>Plan, budget and keep records</li> <li>Operate machines and keep them in good repair</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Self-reliant</li> <li>Nature lover</li> <li>Physically active</li> <li>Planner</li> <li>Creative problem solver</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Math</li> <li>Life Sciences</li> <li>Earth Sciences</li> <li>Chemistry</li> <li>Agriculture</li> </ul>	

#### Forced Choice Career Interest Survey | Career Wonders Interest Survey

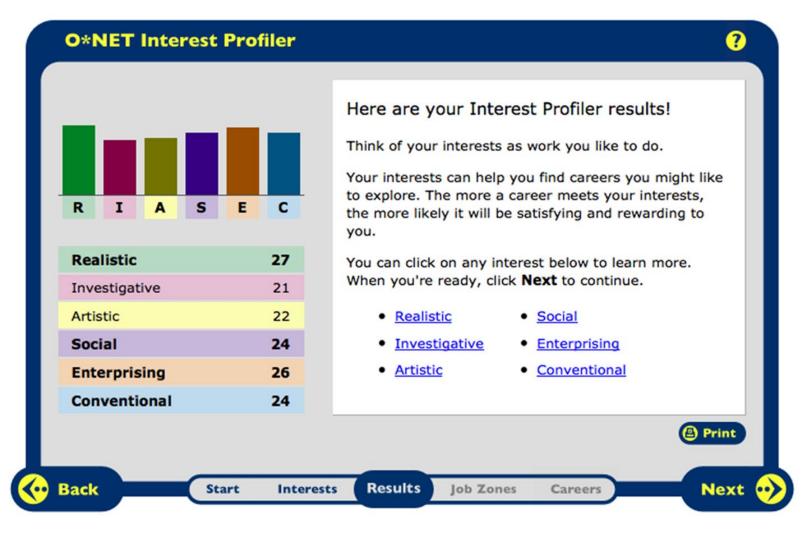
### **My Next Move**





O\*Net My Next Move—Interest Profiler

### My Next Move—Interest Profiler



### My Next Move— Career Profile

#### **Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors**

Also called: Cargo Supervisor, Equipment Service Lead, Operations Supervisor, Ramp Supervisor

#### What they do:

Supervise and coordinate the activities of ground crew in the loading, unloading, securing, and staging of aircraft cargo or baggage. May determine the quantity and orientation of cargo and compute aircraft center of gravity. May accompany aircraft as member of flight crew and monitor and handle cargo in flight, and assist and brief passengers on safety and emergency procedures. Includes loadmasters.

#### KNOWLEDGE

#### Transportation

 movement of people or goods by air, rail, sea, or road

#### Safety and Government

public safety and security

#### **Business**

- customer service
- management

#### **Arts and Humanities**

English language

PERSONALITY

#### On the job, you would:

- Distribute cargo in such a manner that space use is maximized.
- Calculate load weights for different aircraft compartments, using charts and computers.
- Direct ground crews in the loading, unloading, securing, or staging of aircraft cargo or baggage.

#### SKILLS –

#### Basic Skills listening to others, not interrupting,

- and asking good questions • keeping track of how well people and/or groups are doing in order to
- and/or groups are doing in order to make improvements

#### **Problem Solving**

 noticing a problem and figuring out the best way to solve it

#### Social

- changing what is done based on other people's actions
- teaching people how to do something

#### ABILITIES Verbal

- · communicate by speaking
- listen and understand what people say

#### Attention

- pay attention to something without being distracted
- do two or more things at the same time

#### **Ideas and Logic**

- notice when problems happen
- use rules to solve problems

#### Visual Understanding

see hidden patterns

Adaptability/Flexibility

Attention to Detail

Self Control

#### People interested in this work like activities that include leading, making decisions, and business.

They do well at jobs that need:

- Leadership
- Dependability
- Integrity

#### TECHNOLOGY

You might use software like this on the job:

#### Spreadsheet software

Microsoft Excel

Electronic mail software
 Microsoft Outlook

Word processing software
 Microsoft Word

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### CareerOneStop Get My Future—Work Values Matcher



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#### Get started:

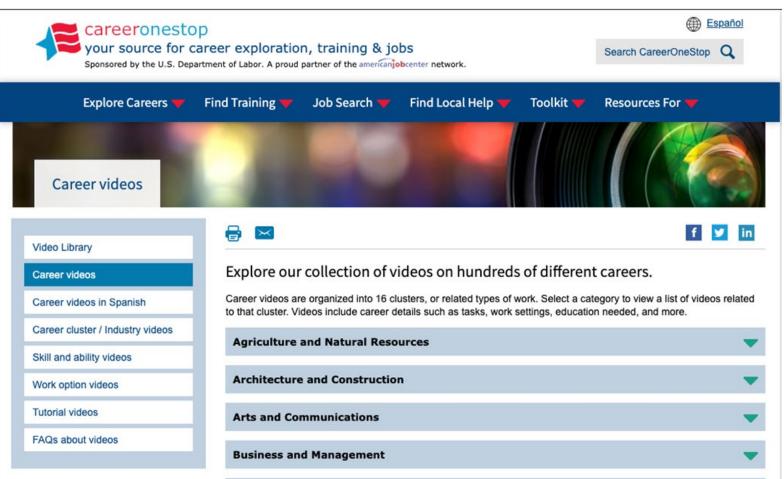
**1** Read the statement on the top card of the deck below and think about how important that quality would be in your ideal job.

2 Choose an importance level below, from most to least. Repeat for all 20 cards.

3 Want to change your selection? Select the "x" or, for keyboard users, select the card and then the Enter key. Then choose new importance level.

I use my talents and abilities.

### CareerOneStop—Videos in English and Spanish



Education and Training

#### CareerOneStop Career Videos

**Pulos' Career Awareness** and **Exploration Toolkit** (P-CAET)



- Designed to help students with disabilities build awareness and exploration of different career pathways leading to entry-level jobs (i.e., an entry point into a specific chosen profession).
- Based on John Holland's structural theory of career development, the results are divided into six types corresponding with a variety of overarching thematic work environments: (a) Realistic, (b) Investigative, (c) Artistic, (d) Social, (e) Enterprising, and (f) Conventional (RIASEC).

### **P-CAET Realistic Example**



### Realistic (R)

#### Landscape Gardener



O\*Net Summary: 37-3011.00 Career Cluster: AGR Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers Career Video

#### Painting, Coating, and Decorating Workers



O\*Net Summary: 51-9123.00 Career Cluster: MAN Painting, Coating, and Decorating Workers Career Video

#### Brickmasons and Blockmasons



O\*Net Summary: 47-2021.00 Career Cluster: A/C Brickmasons and Blockmasons Career Video

### Let's Practice #2



### O\*Net My Next Move—Interest Profiler

### Independent Living Assessments

### Informal Assessments for Transition Planning—Sample Assessment

#### LIVING: INDEPENDENT LIVING

#### 26. Knows how to find a place to live when he/she leaves home.

		Knows how to evaluate and select living arrangements (e.g., independent, with or without roommate, supported living).		Ε
		Identifies strengths and limitations of various supported and independent living options.		C
		Identifies house- and/or apartment-locating services and their costs, if any.	$\Box$	Ľ
		Uses ads (newspaper and/or Internet) to locate an appropriate living arrangement.		Ľ
		Knows the eligibility requirements of publicly funded (Section 8) housing.		C
		Identifies resources (e.g., local center for independent living or Section 8 HUD office) to assist with housing.		C
	$\Box$	Evaluates housing locations in relation to transportation needs for work, school, and social life.		C
$\Box$	$\Box$	Evaluates housing locations in relation to cost, safety, and convenience.		Γ
		Knows how to complete a rental or lease application.		
		Knows the purpose for and implications of a security deposit.		C

#### E-Book \$37.00

	Informal Ass for Transition Second Edition Guide to Following Up Transition Asse or Other Transition Assessments	n Planning
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#### ProEd Inc—Informal Assessments for Transition Planning

### Life Skills Checklist

- Personal life skills
- Emergency/Safety skills
- Nutrition/Dietary skills
- Money management/Financial planning skills
- Healthcare skills
- Sexual health skills
- Interpersonal/Social skills
- Kitchen skills
- Laundry skills
- Household skills
- Community skills

MONEY MANAGEMENT/ FINANCIAL PLANNING SKILLS	Can Do Already	Needs More Practice	Plan to Start	Ongoing Support Needed	N/A
Knows the value of coins and currency					
Can make a purchase with a card or with cash					
Understands the concepts of banking balance and over drafts					
Can do simple math or use a calculator					
Knows how to compare prices/use coupons					
Understands the difference between needs and wants					
Has a bank account and is aware of financial limits when receiving government benefits (e.g., Medicaid, Social Security, etc.)					

### Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool

Cate	Category F: Housing							
Basi	Basic - Must know 2 of 2:							
	Understands the concept of renting. Knows how to access emergency shelter.							
Inter	rmediate - Must know 3 of 4:							
	<ul> <li>Understands basic terms (lease, sub-let, utilities, studio, efficiency, security deposit, reference, etc.).</li> <li>Can calculate the costs associated with different types of housing.</li> </ul>							
Adva	anced - Must know 6 of 9:							
	Can identify type of housing that is within budget and meets current housing needs. Can calculate "start up" costs (Utility deposits, connection fees, security deposit, first month's rent, purchase of furniture and all other household items). Can complete a rental application. Can ask the landlord about the available apartment to determine if it meets their needs. Knows to inspect the apartment to make sure appliances work and that the landlord has supplied accurate							
	information about the apartment and the neighborhood. Shows some concern for the rights of other residents with regard to property and noise.							

#### Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool

#### Casey Life Skills

### **Casey Life Skills**

- Assesses life skills youth need for their well-being, confidence, and safety
- Designed for students ages 14 to 21
- Students may take one section at a time
- Available in Spanish

#### Types of life skills assessed:

- Maintaining healthy relationships
- Work and study habits
- Using public transportation
- Cooking and cleaning
- Budgeting and paying bills
- Computers and the Internet





### **Casey Life Skills—Items**

Daily Living

Are the following statements like me	No	Mostly No	Somewhat	Mostly Yes	Yes
I know where to go to get on the Internet.					
I can find what I need on the Internet.					
I know how to use my email account.					
I can create, save, print and send computer documents.					
I know the risks of meeting someone in person that I met online.					
I would not post pictures or messages if I thought it would hurt someone's feelings.					
If someone sent me messages online that made me feel bad or scared, I would know what to do					

### **Casey Life Skills—Scoring Profile**

3.47 Daily Living average STATEMENTS RESPONSES I know where to go to get on the Internet I can find what I need on the Internet. I know how to use my email account. YES I think about what I eat and how it impacts my health. I understand how to read food product labels to see how much fat, sugar, salt, and calories the food ha I can create, save, print and send computer documents. I know how to do my own laundry. MOSTLY YES I keep my living space clean. I know the products to use when cleaning the bathroom and kitchen. I know the risks of meeting someone in person that I met online. I would not post pictures or messages if I thought it would hurt someone's feelings. SOMEWHAT An adult I trust, other than my worker, checks in with me regularly. If someone sent me messages online that made me feel bad or scared, I would know what to do or wh I know at least one adult, other than my worker, who would take my call in the middle of the night if I ha





### Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool

### Transition Assessments That Generalize Across Areas

### **Family Cultural Asset Profile**



- Assessment based on Yosso's cultural wealth model (Yosso, 2005)
- Cultural assets
  - Aspirational assets
  - Linguistic assets
  - Familial and social assets
  - Navigational assets
  - Resistance assets
- Family, student, and educator versions

## Family Cultural Asset Profile – Example Questions

Child, Family, and Community Assets

**1.** Aspirational Assets are defined as the **hopes and dreams** that the parents, families, and the child's support network hold for their child regarding future employment training/education and adult living outcomes.

1. My student with a disability should work or participate in income generating activities in the future (e.g., self-employment, part-time job).

Yes (specify)	No Not Sure Decline to answer
Explain:	

## Family Cultural Asset Profile – Example Results

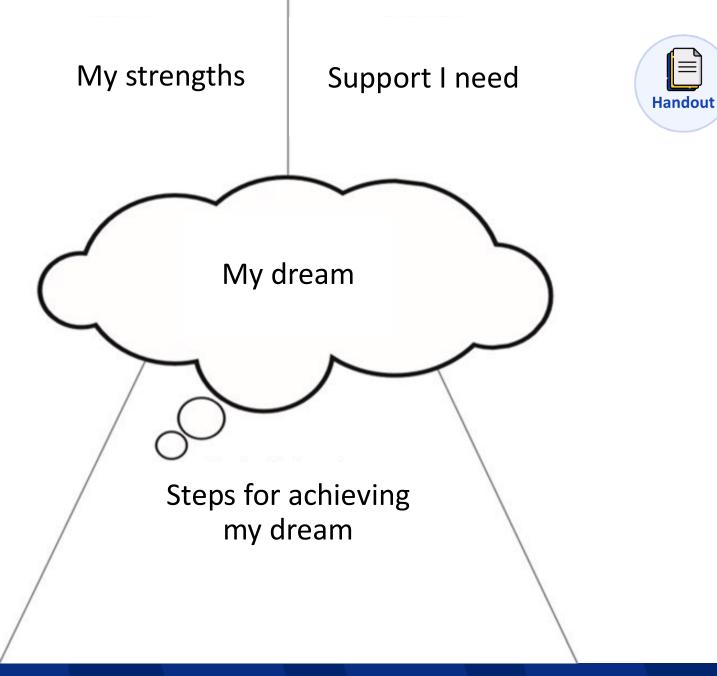
	Cultural	Key Resources/Assets Identified	Matching Transition	Recommendation
	Asset Domain	(e.g., aunt with a business, public speaking skills, interest in self-employment)	<b>Doman</b> (Employment, Education& Training, Adult living, other)	
1	Aspirational	<ul> <li>Student would like to start a photography business</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Employment</li><li>Education</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Student to complete online tutorials on photography</li> <li>Student and family to apply for small business grant to by photography equipment</li> </ul>
2	Linguistic	<ul> <li>Student speaks sign language, English &amp; Khmer</li> <li>Great at public speaking</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Employment</li><li>Education</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Counselor to assist student explore careers in special education, politics, journalism</li> </ul>
3	Familial & Social	<ul> <li>Has a cousin who goes to Cerritos college</li> <li>Grandparents can provide accommodation</li> <li>Family friend who is a school counselor</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Education</li><li>Adult Living</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Cousin will assist with campus visit and applications</li> <li>Grandparents to provide housing</li> </ul>

Survey form that gathers information from the student related to current and future:

- Jobs and Job Training
- Postsecondary Education and Training
- Community Participation
- Recreation and Leisure
- Independent Living Skills

Comprehensive High School Transition Survey

### **Student Dream Sheet**



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### Life Vision—The Ride Ahead

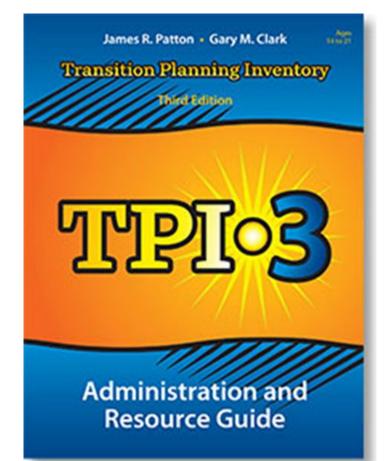
- A tool developed collaboratively by the teams at The Ride Ahead documentary film and the LifeCourse Nexus.
- It uses the LifeCourse framework along with examples from the film to help transition-aged youth and young adults think about a more specific vision for their future across six Life Domains:
  - Daily Life and Employment
  - Community Living
  - Social and Spirituality
  - Healthy Living
  - Advocacy and Engagement
  - Safety and Security

### **Transition Planning Inventory 3 (TPI-3)**

#### The TPI-3 contains nine forms:

- Student preferences and interests forms (basic and advanced)
- Home preferences and interests forms
- Student, home, and school rating forms
- Profile and further assessment recommendations form
- Modified form for students with autism or other intellectual and developmental support needs
- Summary of performance exit form

Forms sold separately \$35-\$41 Complete Kit \$400.00



### **AIR Self-Determination Scale**



#### The three AIR Scales measure two broad selfdetermination components.

- Capacity refers to the student's knowledge, abilities, and perceptions that enable them to be selfdetermined.
- Opportunity refers to the student's opportunities to use their knowledge and abilities.

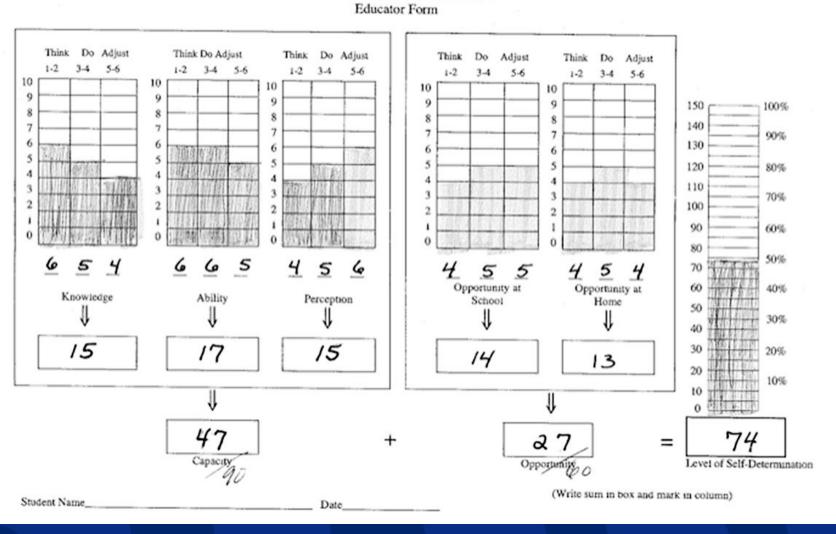
#### WHAT HAPPENS AT SCHOOL

		Almost		Almost	
<ol> <li>People at school listen to me when I talk about what I want, what I need, or what</li> </ol>	Never	Never	Sometimes	Always	Always
I'm good at.	1	2	3	4	5
<ol> <li>People at school let me know that I can set my own goals to get what I want or need.</li> </ol>	Never	Almost Never	Sometimes	Almost Always	Always
	1	2	3	4	5
	W	hat Happens a	t School – Total	Items 1 + 2	
<ol> <li>At school, I have learned how to make plans to meet my goals and to feel good</li> </ol>	Never	Almost Never	Sometimes	Almost Always	Always
about them.	1	2	3	4	5
<ol> <li>People at school encourage me to start working on my plans right away.</li> </ol>	Never	Almost Never	Sometimes	Almost Always	Always
	1	2	3	4	5

### **AIR Self-Determination Assessment**—

The AIR Self-Determination Profile

### Profile



## Self-Determination Inventory System (SDIS)

The SDIS Data Dashboard allows users to create user accounts, assign surveys to participants, take surveys, and view survey results.

Student Survey				
mount of the survey you've co	npleted:			
have what it takes to	reach my goals. 下		A	
Disagree			Agree	$\checkmark$
<u></u>	and the second se			
think of more than o	ne way to solve a problem. <b>&gt;</b>			

#### Self-Determination Inventory: Assessments



Save with scores
Save without scores

# Decide Act Believe

This is a snapshot of your self-determination on the day you took the SDI.

Knowing where you are in your self-determination helps you identify:

· actions you are using now to cause the things you want in your life, AND

· actions you want to use in the future to reach goals at school, home, work, and the community

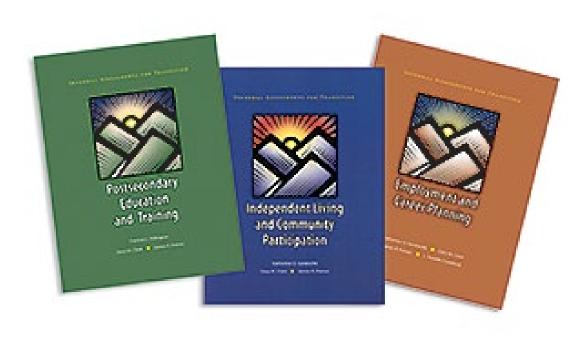
	Actions you may take	Skills you may use
•	Knowing strengths and areas of need	Choice making
	Setting goals based on a vision for the future	Decision making
		Goal setting
		Problem solving
Decide		Planning
•	Solving problems in working towards goals	Self-management
1	Thinking about different pathways to move through barriers	Goal attaining
Л		Problem solving
Act		Self-advocacy
(.)	Feeling empowered to reach goals	Self-awareness
Ĭ	Knowing one can make changes and be supported in their life	Self-knowledge
Believe		

For more information about DECIDING, ACTING, and BELIEVING, click here for the SDI Guide (PDF)

### Self-Determination Inventory— Student Report (SDI:SR) Profile

#### MY SELF-DETERMINATION INVENTORY

### Informal Assessments for Transition Series



Kit (all 3 books) \$142.00 Individual e-books \$51

- Individual books for each postsecondary goal area:
  - Postsecondary Education and Training
  - Employment and Career Planning
  - Independent Living and Community Participation
- Easy to use assessments for students, families, and teachers.
- Each book contains 60+ reproducible informal assessments.

#### Let's Practice #4



#### **Self-Determination Inventory: Assessments**



#### What Age-Appropriate Assessments Are You Using?



Please share with the group:

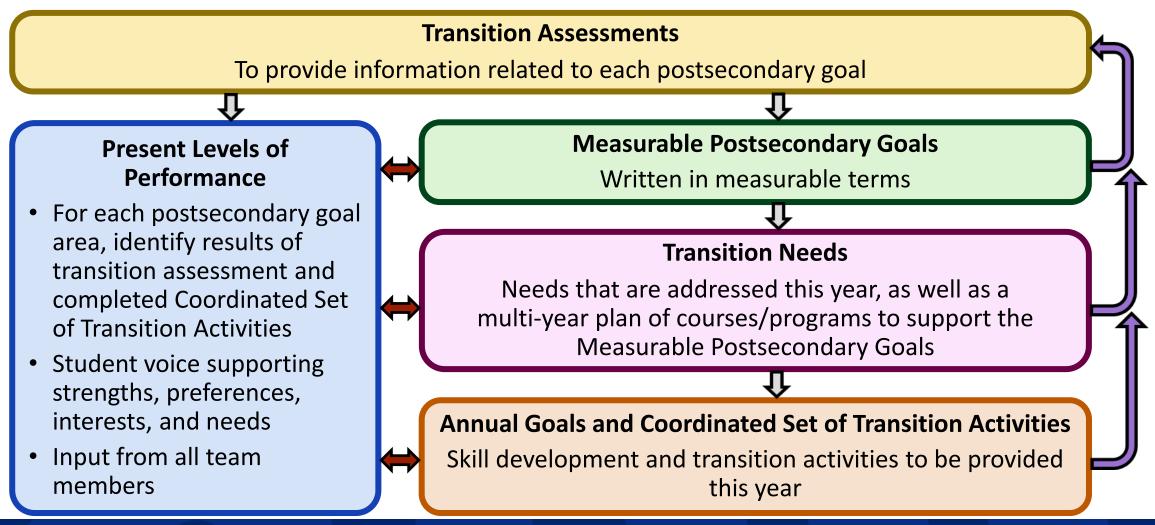
- Are any of the transition assessments discussed today already being completed in your school?
- Are there other transition assessments you use that you have found valuable?
- Which ones reviewed today would you consider trying with students?

# Using Results to Develop the IEP



# **Transition Planning Across the IEP**

#### **Connected Transition Plan in the IEP**

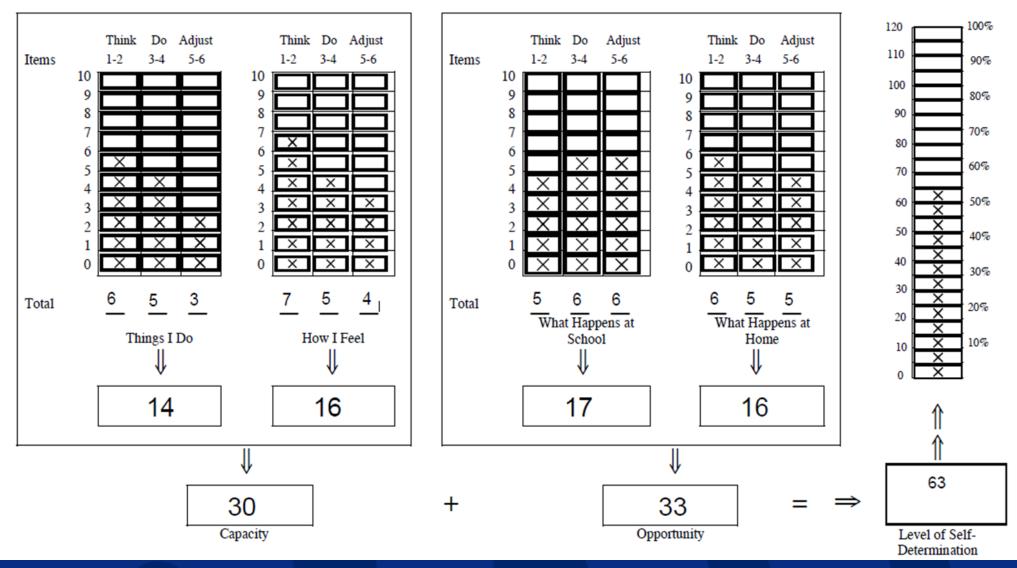


#### Case Study—Sean

- Sean is a junior with a learning disability who lives at home with his mother. Sean is enrolled in courses with his peers without disabilities throughout the school day. He stated he would like to join the Marine Corps to become an aircraft mechanic.
- He participated in three transition assessments this school year:
  - AIR Self-Determination Scale Student Form
  - Practice ASVAB
  - Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool
- In addition, Sean's mother completed the AIR Self-Determination Scale

   Parent Form

### **Sean's AIR Self-Determination Scale**



Handout

**AIR Self-Determination Assessments** 

# Sean's Self-Determination Assessment Results

- Transition Assessment—Oct 20XX—Sean and his mother completed the AIR Self-Determination Scale.
- Results indicate Sean needs to improve his self-determination skills.
- When speaking with his IEP case manager, Sean agreed he does not feel comfortable speaking with new teachers about his learning needs.
- Sean's mother is concerned that Sean is hesitant to speak up for himself and worries about him at times (or in the future) when she is not around.

#### **Practice ASVAB**

- To join the Marine Corps, Sean must take the ASVAB test. For enlistment into the Marine Corps, he must score in the 35th percentile.
- Sean needs to score a minimum standard score of 105 on the mechanical maintenance (MM) portion of the ASVAB to qualify as an aircraft mechanic.
- MM is the sum combination of mathematics knowledge (MK) + auto and shop information (AS) + mechanical comprehension (MC) + electronics information (EI)
- No outside help is allowed while taking the ASVAB, including the math sections of the test. That means he cannot use a calculator to take the ASVAB.

### Sean's ASVAB Results

#### **ASVAB Tests:**

- General Science: 20
- Arithmetic Reasoning: 24
- Word Knowledge: 40
- Paragraph Comprehension: 45

- Mathematics Knowledge: 19
- Electronics Information: 17
- Auto and Shop Information: 30
- Mechanical Comprehension: 15

#### MM Score—MK (19) + AS (30) + MC (15) + EI (17) = 81

## Sean's Education/Training and Employment Transition Assessment Results

- On 11.15.XX, Sean completed the online practice ASVAB.
- Sean scored high enough to become a Marine; however, he needs to improve his mathematics knowledge, electronics information, and mechanical comprehension to qualify to become a marine aircraft mechanic.

## Sean's Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool

Category A: Money Management and Consumer Awareness					
Basic - Must know 3 of 5 to advance to the next level of accomplishment:					
X	Knows values of coins and currency. Can make a transaction at a local store and count change. Has an understanding of the difference between "luxuries" and "necessities" in food, transportation, clothing, housing. Understands the difference between "sale price" and "regular price". Can identify one way to save money on purchases.				
Intermediate - Must know 4 of 6 to advance to the next level of accomplishment:					
	Can open a checking or savings account. Can write checks/make withdrawals and make deposits. Can record banking transactions (either checking or savings). Can budget allowance to last for a week. (Shows some understanding of the concept of saving). Understands the difference between gross wage and take home pay. Can use a calculator to add, subtract, divide and multiply.				
Advanced - Must know 4 of 6 to advance to the next level of accomplishment:					
	With assistance can make out monthly budget covering regular expenses for independent living. Shows some "sales resistance" to "something for nothing" advertising and "low weekly payment" credit plans. Can read monthly bank statements, compare balances, make adjustments as necessary (deduct service charges, check fees, adjust for differences in the balance).				
	Can comparison shop using unit pricing information. Understands the responsibility of filing tax forms. Knows the information that is required for filing taxes and knows where to go to get assistance in filing taxes. Knows how to clip and use coupons.				

#### Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool

### Sean's Independent Living Transition Assessment Results

- On 11.28.XX, Sean completed the Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool
- Results revealed Sean needs assistance understanding the difference between gross wage and take-home pay; making a monthly budget; reading monthly bank statements; and understanding filing tax forms, information needed for filing taxes, and where to go to get assistance in filing taxes.

# Sean's IEP Mapping Tool



Using Sean's Transition Assessment Results to Inform His IEP

Transition Planning Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Mapping Template				Date Student Name:	
Evaluation Results	Present Levels of Performance	Measurable Postsecondary Goals	Transition Needs	Annual Goals	Coordinated Set of Transition Activities
Transition Assessments:	<u>Strengths:</u>	Education/Training:	Transition Needs:	Annual Goals:	Instruction:
					Related Services:
	Preferences:	Employment:			Community Experiences:

#### Reflection and Action Planning



- What are your biggest takeaways from this session?
- What did you learn today about transition assessments that you did not previously know?
- How are you going to use this information?
- What additional information would you like?

# **Questions?**

# Resources (1 of 4)

- AIR Self-Determination Assessments (including Casey Life Skills)
- <u>ACT</u>
- <u>ASVAB</u>
- Bureau of Labor Statistics News Release
- <u>CareerOneStop Work Values Matcher</u>
- <u>CareerOneStop Career Videos in English and Spanish</u>
- <u>Career Wonders Interest Survey</u>
- <u>Comprehensive High School Transition Survey</u>
- <u>CTE—Career Clusters</u>
- Ed 2d Law

# Resources (2 of 4)

- Forced Choice Career Interest Survey
- Indiana Secondary Transition Resource Center—College Planning Worksheet
- Indiana Secondary Transition Resource Center—CTE Report
- Indiana Secondary Transition Resource Center Transition Assessment Matrix
- Informal Assessments for Transition Planning—Second Edition E-Book
- Informal Assessments for Transition Planning—Three Book Set
- Life Skills Checklist
- Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Skills Assessment Tool
- <u>Life Vision—The Ride Ahead</u>
- Military Entrance Processing Stations

# Resources (3 of 4)

- My Disability Roadmap
- <u>My Majors</u>
- <u>My Next Move</u>
- <u>New York Career Zone</u>
- PACER Center Connecting Youth to Careers
- PEaE Assessment
- <u>P-CAET</u>
- <u>Postsecondary Readiness Rubric</u>
- <u>SAT Prep</u>

# Resources (4 of 4)

- Self-Determination Inventory System (SDIS)
- <u>Story of Richie Parker, Hendrick Motorsports Designer—Chevy Hardcore</u>
- Student Dream Sheet
- Study Skills Assessment Questionnaire
- The Ride Ahead Film
- Think College
- Transition Planning Inventory 3 (TPI-3)

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