



Free College/Career Preparation for High School Juniors and Seniors with IEPs

What Is The Transition Academy?

The Transition Academy (TTA) is a disability college and career preparation center established in 2019.

Our mission is to make economic inclusion a reality for youth with disabilities, especially for young people of color who have historically been failed by systems.

Requirements

- High school junior, senior or older
- Must have an IEP or 504 Plan
- Greater Kansas City area resident - Missouri or Kansas

Typical Curriculum

Week 1: 2 In-class college and career exploration sessions

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Week 3: Bus tours to college and employment sites

Week 4: Bus tours to college and employment sites

For More Information

To apply or learn more, go to <https://www.thetransitionacademy.org>.

For more information, contact info@thetransitionacademy.org or call (816) 837-0744.

Fall Focus: Career Discovery & Exploration

During the Fall 2022 semester, high school juniors and seniors with IEPs in KCPS and area charter schools will be introduced to Missouri Connections and other career exploration tools. Students will use these tools with The Transition Academy team and community partners in order to:

- Discover their skills and interests and connect them to workforce opportunities
- Gain an understanding of their education and career journey
- Explore college/apprenticeship programs, degrees, and certificates
- Develop plans to get their degree or land a job

Spring Focus: Career Placement

During the Spring 2023 semester, TTA will focus on matching youth with disabilities to college and career opportunities and tools for success including:

- Financial Aid guidance
- Entrepreneurship training
- Benefits guidance - Vocational Rehabilitation, Social Security and other government entities offer financial assistance to ensure people with disabilities are employed.

Year-Round Focus: Post-High School Success

Throughout the school year, students will also work on goal planning for life after high school with social workers, transition navigators and others.