

TCC and IDEA working together ...

The mission of the Transition Coordinating Council (TCC) is to promote effective transition planning for students with disabilities from school to adult life.

Reauthorized Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) signed into law on Dec. 3, 2004, by President George W. Bush:

... The term "transition services" means a coordinated set of activities for a child with a disability that:

- Is designed to be within a results-oriented process, that is focused on improving the academic and functional achievement of the child with a disability to facilitate the child's movement from school to post-school activities, including post-secondary education; vocational education; integrated employment (including supported employment); continuing and adult education; adult services; independent living or community participation;
- Is based on the individual child's needs, taking into account the child's strengths, preferences, aptitudes, and interests; and
- Includes instruction, related services, community experiences, the development of employment and other post-school adult living objectives and, when appropriate, acquisition of daily living skills and functional vocational evaluation.

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Driving Directions to

PA CareerLink, 243 Schneider Drive, Lebanon

From the North: Take Route 72 South, which turns into Tenth Street. Continue south. At first traffic light, turn left onto Lehman Street. Turn right onto Fourth Street. Cross railroad tracks, and turn left onto Schneider Drive. CareerLink is the second building on left.

From the South: Take Route 72 North. At traffic light, turn right onto Walnut Street (Route 422). Turn left onto Fourth Street. Go four blocks to Lebanon Federal Credit Union on right, and turn right onto Schneider Drive. CareerLink is the second building on left.

From the East: Take Route 422 West, which turns into Cumberland Street. At traffic light, turn right onto Lincoln. Just before railroad tracks, turn left onto Schneider Drive. CareerLink is toward end of street on right.

From the West: Take Route 422 East. Turn right onto Twelfth Street. Turn left onto Walnut Street. Turn left onto Fourth Street. Go four blocks to Lebanon Federal Credit Union on right, and turn right onto Schneider Drive. CareerLink is the second building on left.

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Lebanon County Transition Coordinating Council (TCC)



**Supporting the transition
from school to adult life!**



2010-2011 Programs

Program Description

Lebanon County Transition Coordinating Council (TCC) is a network of parents, consumers, educators, and community service providers helping students with special needs in their transition from school to adult life. TCC is facilitated by the IU 13 Early Childhood and Special Education Services Department. Act 48 credits are offered to educators.

Program Objectives

- To inform parents of available transition supports from the school and the community.
- To establish a communication link from school to family to community services.
- To impact local transition policies, procedures, and plans.
- To identify community issues and to suggest possible resolutions.
- To work towards achieving successful student transition from school to adult life.

Meeting Details (October 2010 – April 2011)

- All meetings, EXCEPT the October Transition Fair, are held from **6:00 to 8:00 pm at PA CareerLink**, 243 Schneider Drive, Lebanon.
- The October Transition Fair is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Cedar Crest High School, 115 East Evergreen Road, Lebanon. This fair will be held in the Large Group Instructional Room (LGI Room.)
- Actual dates are listed on the following page.
- Meetings include committee reports, guest speakers, and open conversation between parents and agency representatives to exchange ideas and transition concerns.
- To find out if a meeting is canceled due to inclement weather, please visit the IU 13 website at www.iu13.org and click on Inclement Weather Announcements, or by calling 717-606-1033.
- TCC meetings are **FREE** to families and are open to the public.

TCC Calendar and Topics

Monday, October 18, 2010 (9:00 am-12:00 pm)

Transition Fair-Cedar Crest High School

Students and families can meet with county agency and local college/university representatives. Valuable information will be available.

Monday, October 18, 2010 (6:00 pm-8:00 pm)

Transition Planning: Keeping the End Goal In Sight

Successful transition planning begins with knowing one's strengths, interests, and goals for the future and having an understanding of how the educational process can support skill development. During the educational process, students should develop the ability to be their own self advocate in order to navigate the change from secondary education to the "real world." During this session, transition planning requirements and the importance of self-advocacy skills will be discussed.

Presenter:

John Robbins, Special Education Consultant, Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13

Monday, November 15, 2010

Entitlement vs. Eligibility: What Services are Available for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders?

Upon graduation, individuals with disabilities leave the educational environment where they are covered under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and enter the post-secondary world of work where they are covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act. While both laws offer protection, their scope of protection changes along with the types of services offered to support individuals with disabilities. During this session, various types of services and support will be discussed along with how services will be determined, delivered, and accessed.

Presenters:

Bureau of Autism

Lebanon County MH/MR/EI

The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)

Monday, December 6, 2010

(Snow date: Monday, December 13, 2010)

I Want to Work but I Need Help. Are There Supports and Benefits to Assist Me?

For some individuals, adapting to the world of work is easy. For others, this change requires additional training and supports. Come and learn about the services offered through several agencies and how to access them. With the right mix of supports and services, all students can work.

Presenters:

PA Work Incentives Planning

Assistance Program (WIPA) and VIA of the Lehigh Valley

Monday, January 10, 2011

(Snow date: Monday, January 24, 2011)

Technology and Teenagers: How Can I Help Them to be Responsible Users of Technology?

This session will address the many ways that our children access technology as a social outlet and the possible consequences of misuse. Learn ways to help our teens understand that once information is posted on the internet, it can be accessed forever by anyone including potential employers.

Presenters:

School Psychologist and School Social Worker, Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13

Monday, February 28, 2011

(Snow date: Monday, March 7, 2011)

Knowing How to Play the Game: Skills for Effective Parent Advocacy

The goal of this presentation is to empower parents and students to become effective advocates when requesting supports and services during the transition process. This will be achieved by providing information and an opportunity to practice skills in a supportive environment.

Presenters:

Parent Education Network
PYLN

Monday, March 21, 2011

What Can I Do Now to Ensure that My Child Will be Taken Care of When I am Gone? Legal Issues and Concerns

Come and hear from an expert about what you can do now to ensure that your child will be taken care of in the future. Questions regarding wills, trusts, power of attorney, guardianship, and government programs for individuals with special needs will be answered.

Presenter:

Kevin Richards, Henry and Beaver, LLP

Wednesday, April 20, 2011

Social Communication Skills

Every child has questions about the other sex and why they feel the way they do. Others may question why certain behaviors or topics are permitted in some situations and not others. Come and learn about very important topics related to sexuality that need to be taught and not left to chance. Ensure the safety and security of those you care deeply about and don't miss this session.

Presenter:

Dawn Hoffman, Developmental Disability Resources