


**JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP**  
 SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY GROUP

Date & Time:	03/09/2021 6:30PM
Location:	Virtual Zoom Meet Transitioning Life After High School
Attendance:	D. Perez, T. Acosta, D. Bassin, M. Katz, K. Heiner, D. Baker, M. Wilson, J. Figueroa, N. Wildermuth roughly 28 participants

Topic:	Discussion Summary	Actions	Responsible Party	Date to be Actioned by
Introduction/Housekeeping	Tracy began the meeting with topic and went over housekeeping rules and reminders.			
Transitioning Presentation By Monique from SPAN	Introduced Monique from SPAN. <a href="https://spanadvocacy.org/">https://spanadvocacy.org/</a> Monique shared her slideshow and presented on transitioning topics. Handouts to parents were sent after the meeting. Major focus for transition is what will our children focus on as adults. What are the hopes, dreams, visions for our children. Key parts of the presentation were for parents to understand the transition from school to adult life, learn ways to help them develop self advocacy and self determination skills, Understand how to find information within the Family Guide to Transition	Continue to spread word about SPAN	All	Ongoing
		Continue to spread word about resources	All	Ongoing



	<p>Work Based Learning (WBL) Offered to seniors in the transition program and 18 to 21 program Programs that Ms. Wildermuth runs are the Transitional Ed program and the Work Based learning program.</p> <p>Natural supports are encouraged to replace supports in class.</p> <p>State Agencies are available to assist students along the way.</p> <p>Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services DVRS presents annually at the high school. provide supports for students once they graduate with interviewing, job training, tuition assistance, etc</p> <p><a href="https://www.nj.gov/labor/career-services/special-services/individuals-with-disabilities/">https://www.nj.gov/labor/career-services/special-services/individuals-with-disabilities/</a></p> <p>New Jersey Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) Helps parents find services. <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/home/">https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/home/</a></p> <p>Career Exploration Transition Education 18 to 21 Program</p> <p>New website for transition services <a href="https://sites.google.com/pthsd.net/morrissextransitionpartner/home?pli=1&amp;authuser=2">https://sites.google.com/pthsd.net/morrissextransitionpartner/home?pli=1&amp;authuser=2</a></p>			
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<p>Parent Questions</p>	<p>Questions for Nicole Wildermuth Transition Coordinator nwildermuth@jefftwp.org</p> <p>There was a parent question about colleges and lists of colleges that would fit for child with IEP. Ms Wildermuth said she has lists for parents.</p> <p>Parent asked if colleges have certain programs for students to help them become independent. There are degrees and certificate programs available. Parents can work with school to narrow down lists with parents and students. FDU does have programs available. Bergen County Community also has certificate programs.</p> <p>Parent asked about DVRS presentation on the website. It was on there, but will be added back.</p> <p>New website for transition services <a href="https://sites.google.com/pthsd.net/morrissextransitionpartner/home?pli=1&amp;authuser=2">https://sites.google.com/pthsd.net/morrissextransitionpartner/home?pli=1&amp;authuser=2</a></p> <p>Parent asked how to be a part of course selections with Guidance counselor. Parents are encouraged to talk to your children and email the guidance counselor.</p> <p>Parent about Course lists and descriptions. They can be found on the website.</p>			
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	<p>Parent asked about Out of District students and if they can be a part of transition services.  Out of District students are invited to all events in Jefferson.</p>			
Next meeting	4/13/2021 Topic tbd	send info and spread word to the community	all	4/13/21

Submitted by: Michele Katz