

City School District of New Rochelle- TRANSITION CHECKLIST



Who?	Age	Agency/Action	Description of Service	Completed
H I G H E R N E E D S U P P O R T S	12 and up	Register with OPWDD/DCMH	Requirements for OPWDD (Office for People With Developmental Disabilities) are that the student must have an IQ below 60 and/or a substantial limitation in functional skills (below 70 on Adaptive Scale).	
	12 and up	Attend Front Door Orientation	OPWDD has developed a training that provide an overview of accessing services through OPWDD as well as training on self-direction. Education sessions occur monthly. Registration to attend a front door session is required. Register: http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/welcome-front-door/information_sessions	
	12 and up	Attend Front Door Needs Assessment	An assessment is to take place with a front door facilitator from the local Westchester OPWDD office. The assessment is a phone interview. The phone number for the front door is 914-332-8960. Parents are asked to leave their contact information and if their son/daughter is transitioning.	
	Before 18	Guardianship	If a parent is concerned that their child will have difficulty making everyday decisions related to food, health, finances, etc., legal guardianship should be considered. Guardianship determination should be COMPLETE by the time an individual is 18 years old.	
	Before 18	Supplemental Needs Trust	If parents are choosing to apply for SSI, they should consider opening a Supplemental Needs Trust so the student's money is protected and not seen as "savings" in order to meet the \$2,000 minimum.	
	18 (or earlier)	SSI Application	<i>If appropriate</i> , once the student turns 18 they are able to apply for Supplemental Security Income. SSI makes monthly payments to individuals with disabilities who have less than \$2,000 in savings. When a student receives SSI, he/she will also receive Medicaid which is needed for all adult services. Any child, even those younger than age 18, can qualify for SSI if he or she meets Social Security's definition of a child with a disability, and if the family's income and resources fall within the eligibility limit	
	18 (or earlier)	Apply for Medicaid Service Coordinator	Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) is a Medicaid State Plan service provided by OPWDD which assists persons with developmental disabilities and mental retardation in gaining access to necessary services and supports appropriate to the needs of the individual.	
	18-21	Tour Adult Service Agencies	Adult Service Agencies' mission is to empower adults with developmental disabilities to achieve their potential based on personal choices, abilities and interests. There are a variety of programs throughout Westchester County.	
	18 and up	ACCES-VR	ACCES-VR (Adult Career and Continuing Education Services- Vocational Rehabilitation) offers financial assistance based on economic need for students attending college or a post-secondary training program. They also help with finding/maintaining employment.	
	Before 21	Certified Residential Options Process (CROP)	Complete the CROP Application for Residential Placement. The CROP Team will review clinical documentation and determine level of priority needed for placement.	
Before 18	Non-Drivers ID Card/ Para Transit Application	Department of Motor Vehicle Westchester County Office for People With Disabilities		