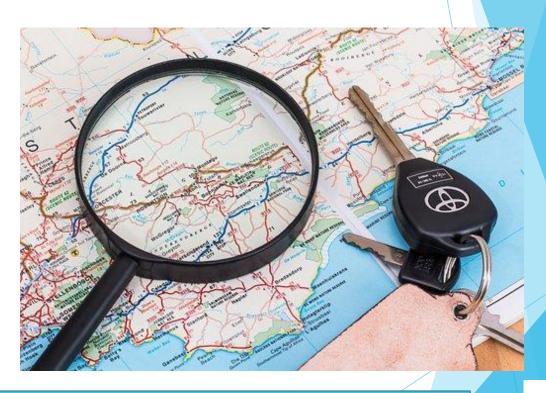


It's My Turn GPS Goal Plan Success





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Who We Are What We Do

- Inform parents of their rights and responsibilities
- Help parents identify their options
- Assist parents to develop self-advocacy skills
- Inform parents about special education services and supports
- Prepare parents to attend IEP meetings
- Information Specialists are not legal representatives



OCECD Youth Portal-Advocating for Myself

It's My Turn

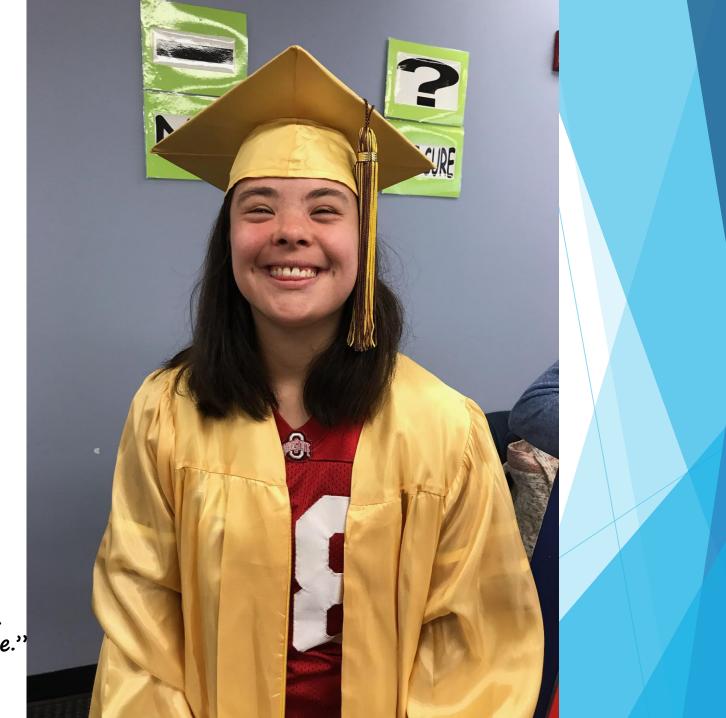
Self - Determination Training



"She is more aware of what it takes to have a successful job and live on her own.

She wants to be as independent as possible."

-Parent



It's My Turn

It's My Turn is a self-determination curriculum for students with disabilities in middle school and high school. The training was originally developed by OCECD through funding from the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, now known as Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) and currently supported by The U.S. Department of Education, Office for Special Education Programs' PTI funds, IDEA, Project Launch, WIFACETS and OCECD funds.

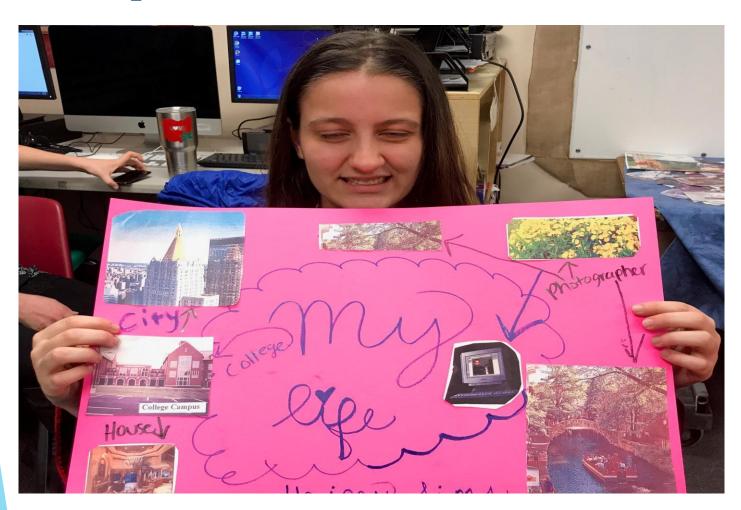


"Students do things that they have never had the incentive or courage to do before."

- School Personnel

It's My Turn & GPS: Mission

It is our mission to help make transition easier for students and to help them become better self-advocates



"Gave her more confidence in becoming a young adult" -Parent

It's My Turn: Includes 5 Areas

- The Laws
- Employability
- Post Secondary Options
- Living Skills & Choices
- Community Participation



"I Learned about the important part that I have in choosing what job I want for my future." - Student

It's My Turn & GPS: Schedule of Events

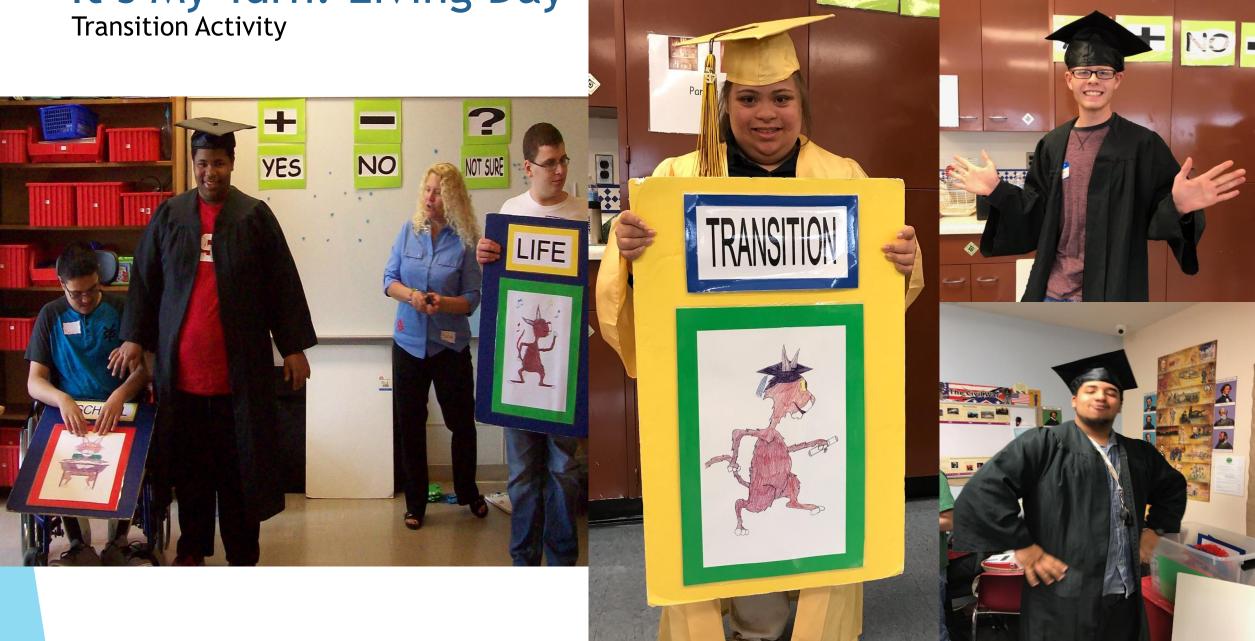
Tuesday- Day 1(Optional)	Wednesday-Day 2	Thursday-Day 3
AM Group A (16 Students) "Living in the Adult World"	AM Group B (16 Students) "Employment Part 1"	AM Group A (16 Students) "Employment Part 2"
2 ½ hour session	2 ½ hour session	2 ½ hour session
Students Regular Lunch	Students Regular Lunch	Students Regular Lunch
PM Group B (16 Students) "Living in the Adult World"	PM Group A (16 Students) "Employment Part 1"	PM Group B (16 Students) "Employment part 2"
2 ½ hour session	2 ½ hour session	2 ½ hour session

It's My Turn

"Techniques used attract students to become active learners." -Teacher



It's My Turn: Living Day
Transition Activity



It's My Turn: Living Day

Uncle Sam Activity/Community Participation







It's My Turn: Living Day

Participating in the Community Card Choices





It's My Turn: Living Day

Froggy Game/Budgeting





Federal Law/IDEA

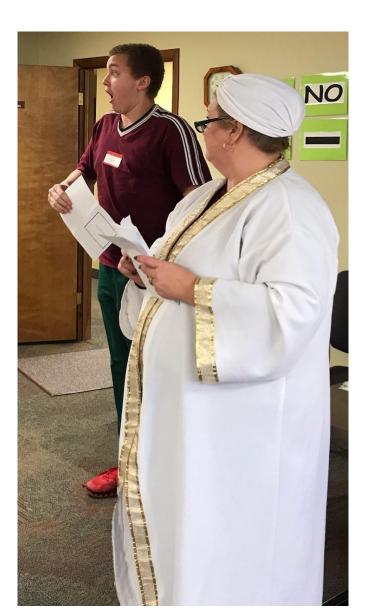






All Knowing/Jobs







Card Sorting: Choosing Jobs





Job Choice & Research Activity





Mock IEP



It's My Turn: Parent Night

Families, School and Community Coming Together!



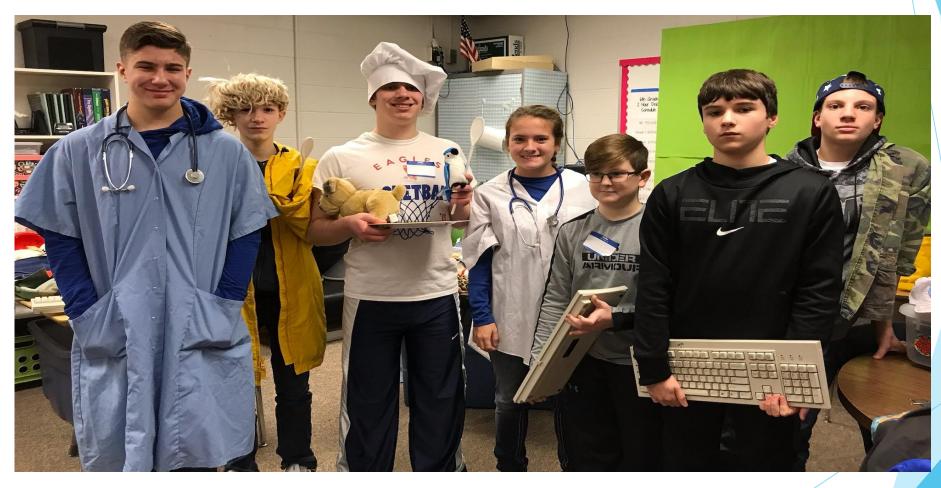


"I wish everyone could view our kids the way we are tonight." -Principal

"Valuable information, easily accessible and of high interest. Presented with a diversity of learners in mind. -Staff



"I am having fun. I am learning about different jobs. Jobs I haven't thought about. I can go to college and be whatever I want." – Student



"Almost every goal and objective on the students' IEP's came from the information that they gathered at the training." -School Staff

It's My Turn GPS Goal Plan Success



To help students think about their options and how their decisions may make a difference in their lives







Develop a personal profile

Explore options

Setting goals

How to locate and connect with agencies and people that

can help them obtain their goals





Day one

Who am I?

Strength and weakness

Advocacy skill plan

Card boxes

Problem solving

Write their vision

Work in their notebooks Role play scenarios 3 card box activities

"Dare to live the life you have dreamed for yourself. Go forward and make your dreams come true."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

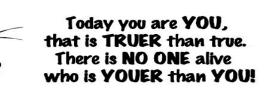


Day 2

Why am I doing this?

- ► They will learn the importance of attending their own IEP meeting
- Write their transition plan
- ▶ Decide the skills they need to learn or practice to achieve their vision
- All knowing
- 6 card box activities
- Transition form
- > IEP
- Transition and the IEP
- > ADA 504
- Skill building





Day 3

Let's Do This!

- Backward planning
- Goal setting Smart goals
- Small group Steps to achieve
- Support people

"Decide what it is you want.

Write it down.

Make a plan

and work on it every single day."

Anonymous



The students will learn that life doesn't have to happen to them. It is up to them to make informed decisions, plan, and work hard to achieve their hopes and dreams.

- Decide what you want to achieve in life
- What is the most important
- Motivate yourself
- Build your self-confidence as you achieve the smaller steps.
- Celebrate and Enjoy your success



IMT Student's Poem

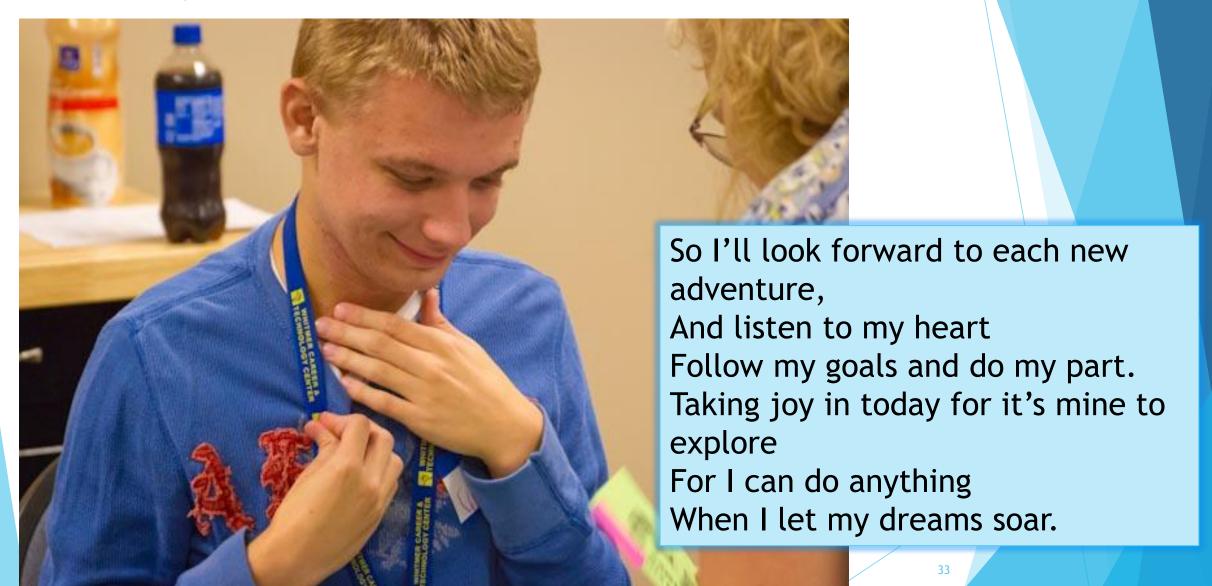
I Can Do Anything

I can do anything I set my mind to I can make dreams happen By the things that I do. Thinking positively no matter what Today and everyday For it's all in how I look at things And what's put into play.



I can do anything
In this journey called life
Laugh, live, celebrate...
Soar to new heights,
For the world seems a better place
When I seize each new day
And as I journey I will remember:
Happiness comes most to those who give it away.





Questions and Evaluation



Thank you for participating today!

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