

STEP Academy 18-21 Transition Program

Harrisburg, SD school district



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How it started

In 2019, Harrisburg started putting together an idea for their own transition program for students with disabilities ages 18-21.

Applied and received grant funding for the start of 2020 school year

Started with 6 students 2020-2021

Now 9 students for 2023-2024

Staff 2 teachers, 2 EA's (education assistants/paraprofessionals)

The Grant

For further questions - See Katie Gran

Grant program: Establishing/Expanding
Transition Programs for Students with
Disabilities Between Ages 18-21

Sponsored by: Division of Rehabilitation
Services

Grant application: An 18-21 Transition
Coalition: Working to Facilitate
Independence and Opportunity for
Students with Disabilities in Harrisburg, SD

Awarded: Approx. \$255,000 over 4 years

Funding Specific to Harrisburg

“TurnKey” - have everything ready before applying, then just need to secure funding to make it happen

1. Grant covered portion of salaries, benefits, curriculum, transportation, furniture
2. District - some salary and lease
3. Sustainability - DRS covered a larger portion the first year and smaller portions each following year as grants are intended to be short term and should have sustainable plan in place to take over 100% of funding
4. District determined how much would go to furniture and curriculum each year

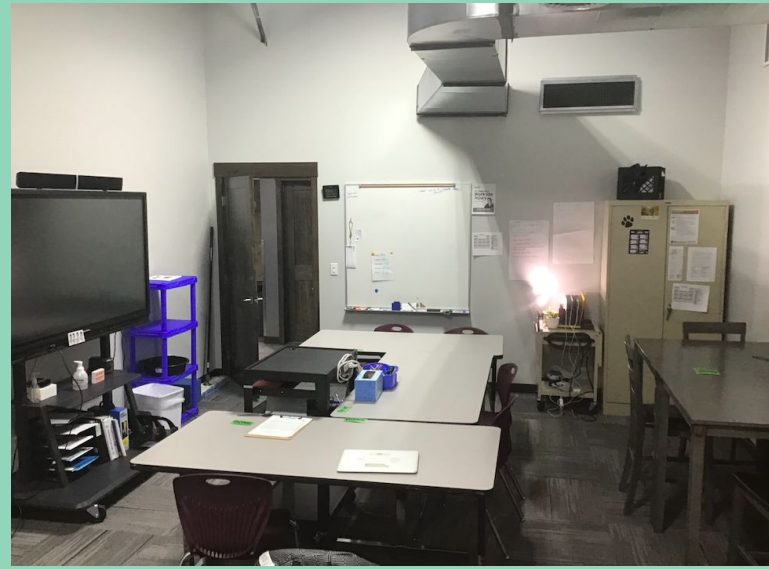
Location

All American Gymnastics Academy



Located: South Cliff avenue on the 2nd floor of the All American Gymnastics Academy

Classroom 1: office



Class 2: kitchen



Outcomes & Focus

IEP: Post Secondary Goals
Course of Study

Post secondary Goals

1. Employment plan: pt/ft, Maintain Voc Rehab contact
2. Continuing education/training: trade school, certificates, on the job training
3. Residential: Including daily living skills

Course of study

4. Vocational / Employability
5. Community participation
6. Daily Living skills

Assessments - Math - Community - Daily Living - Employment

Curriculum map

A. Assessments	B. Math/Budget	C. Community	D. Daily Living	E. Employment	Guests/Tours
Attainment: (Book) Community-Based Vocational training; Functional assessment	Attainment: Explore Math 2 - Ch.1 Math at home	Attainment: Explore Math 2 - Ch.3 Community Math	TenSigma: Fast Track Education- U1:Cp 1,3; U2:Cp1,2,3	Attainment/Conversation Skills (II)	Bank - Teach personal finance for a few weeks
TenSigma: Fast Track student work book	Attainment: Explore Math 2 - Ch.4 Leisure Math	JS: Safety Smart - Pedestrian	JS: Life facts - Managing illness	Attainment: Learning to work collection	Tyler Hathaway - Discuss job, Costco, etc
TenSigma: Foundations	JS: Money Smart - Budget, Scams, safe while shopping	JS: Safety Smart - Using transportation	JS: Life facts - Substance abuse	Attainment: Computers at work app	JA
My next move	JS: Money Smart - Avoid compulsive buying, avoid spendthrift, savvy shopper	JS: Safety Smart - Fire Dept resources	JS: Life facts - sexual abuse	Attainment: Community-based vocational training	
TransitionSD	Skills to pay the bills	JS: Safety Smart - Contact and interact with police	JS: Life facts - sexuality	Attainment: Getting a job curriculum	Hy-Vee Dietitian
O*Net		JS: Safety Smart - Access free health care and get help from Pharmacy	JS: Life facts - Smart trust	TenSigma: Foundation - Unit 1	Grocery store
Brigance: Transition	Everfi.com	JS: People Smart - Meet people	JS: Life facts - Managing emotions	Attainment: Explore Math 2: Math at work	Library
		JS: People Smart - Mistake friendliness for friendship	JS: Life facts - Date smart	JS: Job Smart - Avoid staying unemployed	CPR
		JS: People Smart-Avoid getting into trouble with strangers	JS: Safety Smart-safe at home	JS: Job Smart - Avoid irritating your co-workers	Local Fire Station
		JS: People Smart- how to be socially attractive	JS: People Smart - Acquaintance into a friend	JS: Job Smart - Avoid irritating the boss	Police Department
		Online Library	JS: People Smart - Deepen a friendship	JS: Job Smart - how to get a promotion	Water treatment Plant
			Health: Myplate	JS: Job Smart - Avoid getting fired	Recycling Center
			PCT tools	JS: Job Smart - Avoid getting hurt on the job	Fitness Center
				What I Wish I learned - Employment	Furniture store
				VA Career View exploration	2nd hand store
				Career Cluster	Outdoor campus (South SF)
				Career Wise: Practice app	Movie

Schedules General

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00 - 8:30 AM	News & Weather	News & Weather	News & Weather	News & Weather	News & Weather
8:30 - 8:40 AM	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
8:40 - 9:30 AM	Grocery Shopping	Career building (wish I learned)	Personal Social Skills	N2Y	Meal Planning (+Laundry)
9:30 - 9:40 AM	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
9:40 - 10:30 AM	N2Y	N2Y	Fast Track	Health & Wellness	Functional Math
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Making Food & cleaning	Making food & cleaning	Making food & cleaning	Making food & cleaning	Making food & cleaning
11:30 - 12:00 PM	Cleaning	Cleaning	Cleaning	Cleaning	Cleaning
12:00 - 12:50 PM	Life Smarts	Life Smarts	Life Smarts	Life Smarts	Outing
12:50 - 1:00 PM	Break	Break	Break	Break	
1:00 - 1:50 PM	Employability	Employability	Employability	Employability	
1:50-2:00 PM	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
2:00 - 2:30 PM	Check out/ Dismissal	Check out/ Dismissal	Check out/ Dismissal	Check out/ Dismissal	Check out/ Dismissal

Meal planning

1. Checking cupboards
2. Make grocery list
 - Requirements-protein, fruit, and veggies
3. Calculate total price
4. Check cash box
5. Type emails home
 - Includes if you need money from home
 - Budget of \$25
6. Monday morning grocery shopping at Walmart. Students find and pay for own items.

NAME:

Grocery List

DATE: _____

I AM PLANNING FOR _____ DAYS

- ☐ Main food item (Protein) ☐ 1 or 2 sides per day
☐ Fruit or Vegetable ☐ 1 drink per day
☐ Sauce

Quantity	Item	How many meals?	Price
Add all of your items for a total=			
Calculate TAX: total x .065 =			
Everything total=			

THINGS I HAVE

Servings: Items:

News 2 You

review

1. WHAT is the paper about ?



2. WHO is king of the U.K. ?



3. WHERE will the coronation be ?



4. WHAT is Westminster Abbey ?



5. WHAT are amethysts, rubies and sapphires ?



6. WHAT will a church leader put onto King Charles III's head ?



Coronation of King Charles III



The U.K. is celebrating King Charles III.



King Charles III will be crowned on May 6.



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Unit 21

Speak Up for Yourself

Personal Life



Unit 22

Dress for Success

Daily Living



Unit 23

Do I Need a Doctor?

Daily Living



Unit 24

It's a Tradition

History



Unit 25

Who Can I Trust?

Personal Life



Unit 26

Housekeeping

Daily Living



Unit 27

Who's Calling?

Personal Life



Unit 28

Home Sweet Home

Community Living

 Search For Activities


All Lessons



Unit Overview



Lifelong Learning



Personal Life



Daily Living



Employability



Suggested Unit Pacing

All Lessons

Unit Overview



PDF INTERACT

Lesson 0

Daily Living Club



PDF INTERACT

Topic Story 1 - Housing Choices

[View Activities](#)

Lesson 1

Daily Living Club



Daily Living Club



Employability Classes

- Job Applications
- Interview Questions & Mock Interviews
- Resumes & Cover Letters
- Personal-Social Skills on the job/Customer service skills
- Soft Skills: following instructions, schedules, working as a team
- Fast Track: Future Career Planning
- Skills to pay the bills



Project Discovery from Education Associates

- Next level from PAES lab
- Simulated Career exploration using hands on training kits
- Carpentry, Food Service, Maintenance, Child care, Gardening, Small Engine repair, Animal care
- Job readiness



Student's jobs & Project Skills

1. Apply to Voc Rehab - needing an active account with VR to get paid by the state
2. Once accepted, each will have a VR counselor which is required for all IEP transition meetings after age 16 but can come earlier
3. Job Specialist (outside source)
4. Staff complete monthly reports for VR
5. Staff and students document worked hours daily on time cards
 - a. Turned in twice a month
6. Students are paid through Project Skills - state work program for students with disabilities
 - a. Minimum wage or more - currently \$11
 - b. Can work 250 hours within one year resetting October 1
 - c. Turn in time cards every two weeks to VR
 - d. School staff monitor work sites
 - e. School uses EA's as job coaches
7. Quarterly reports
8. Annual student information sheets

Employment Partnerships

- Walgreens
- Lavas Javas
- Big J's Harrisburg
- All American/Yakkity Yak
- Paws pet resort
- American State bank
- Showplace
- Harrisburg Bus Barn
- Greatlife Fitness
- Scheels
- Earthwise
- Rush
- Sanford Wellness

