

A Family Quick Guide to Transition



Ages 14 to 15

- Familiarize yourself with the secondary transition process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
- Participate in sponsored parent training events: [Region 10 – State Support Team](#)
- Get connected to a parent transition group in your area (i.e. School to Adult Life Transition/[S.A.L.T.](#))
- Clarify your teen’s achievable transition goals:
 - Transition to college (two-year or four-year) or vocational training
 - Transition to employment
 - Transition to independent living (managing time, managing money, maintaining a living space, taking care of health needs, etc.)
 - Transition to adult services
- If your child has been tested and diagnosed by a medical professional with an intellectual disability or other significant developmental disability which will require life-long services:
 - Register with your county Board of Developmental Disabilities
 - Once enrolled, meet with your Service and Support Administrator (SSA) to discuss appropriate, available supports and services (including Home and Community-Based Waivers)
- Begin to collect your teen’s:
 - Social Security Card
 - Birth Certificate
 - Medical Assistance Card
 - State ID (no minimum age in Ohio)
 - School records and medical information (keep them current)
- Work with your teen’s IEP Team to develop a Transition Plan based on your teen’s needs, but also taking preferences and interests into consideration. The Transition Plan may contain the following:
 - Postsecondary education (two-year or four-year)
 - Interest inventories (identify interests, skills, abilities, and aptitudes)
 - School-to-Work transition programs (including resume writing and job application process)
 - Community experiences or volunteer work
 - Self-Advocacy
 - Independent living skills
 - Transportation options
 - Engaging support from state/local programs (i.e. Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities, Developmental Disability Services, etc.)

- Review high school diploma options and plan course of study to meet graduation requirements and transition plan goals

Ages 16 to 17

- Prior to your teen's IEP meeting, review progress reports and current transition plan. How has the last year gone? Has anything changed over the past year? What skills still need to be developed in order to meet your teen's goals? (Involve your teen in this process.)
- Request that state/local agency case workers be invited to your teen's IEP meeting
- Attend your teen's IEP meeting and be an active member. Come prepared with questions and suggestions
- Review and update Transition Plan with IEP Team and make sure it has current achievable goals
- If applicable, explore post-secondary education options, college entrance exam requirements and financial aid
- Research supports that may be needed/available once your teen turns 18
 - Social Security benefits eligibility
 - Guardianship or alternatives to guardianship
 - Supported paid employment
 - Medical coverage
- Participate in sponsored parent training events

Age 18

- Prior to your teen's IEP meeting, review progress reports and current transition plan
- Request that state/local agency case workers be invited to your teen's IEP meeting
- Attend your teen's IEP meeting and be an active member. Come prepared with questions and suggestions
- Review and update Transition Plan with IEP Team and make sure it has current achievable goals
- If applicable, apply for Social Security benefits without parent resources being considered
- If applicable, file request for guardianship or other alternative
- All males are required to register for Selective Service
- Make the final determination for accepting a diploma or continuing to receive services through the school district until your teen turns 22
- If applicable, begin to explore adult living, vocational, and day programs
- Participate in sponsored parent training events



Resources by County for “A Family Quick Guide to Transition”



Clark County

Miami Valley Regional Center: (937) 236-9965
Region 10 – State Support Team: (937) 236-9965
Secondary Transition Process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
Clark County Developmental Disabilities: (937) 328-2675
Social Security Administration: (877) 405-1451
Clark County Birth Certificates: (937) 390-5600
Ohio State ID Cards: (614) 752-7600
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD): (937) 331-5000
Ohio Means Jobs: (937) 327-1700
Selective Service: (888) 655-1825

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[Region 10 – State Support Team](#)
[US Dept of Ed Transition Guide](#)
[Clark County DDS](#)
[Social Security Administration](#)
[Clark County Birth Records](#)
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Darke County

Miami Valley Regional Center: (937) 236-9965
Region 10 – State Support Team: (937) 236-9965
Secondary Transition Process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
Darke County Board of Developmental Disabilities: (937) 548-9057
Social Security Administration: (866) 931-2520
Darke County Birth Certificates: (937) 548-4196
Ohio State ID Cards: (614) 752-7600
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD): (937) 331-5000
Ohio Means Jobs: (937) 327-1700
Selective Service: (888) 655-1825

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Greene County

Miami Valley Regional Center: (937) 236-9965
Region 10 – State Support Team: (937) 236-9965
Secondary Transition Process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
School to Adult Life Transition/S.A.L.T.:
Greene County Board of Developmental Disabilities: (937) 562-6500
Social Security Administration: (866) 755-5372
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Greene County Birth Certificates: (937) 374-5639
Ohio State ID Cards: (614) 752-7600
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD): (937) 331-5000
Ohio Means Jobs: (937) 562-6565
Selective Service: (888) 655-1825

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Miami County

Miami Valley Regional Center: (937) 236-9965
Region 10 – State Support Team: (937) 236-9965
Secondary Transition Process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
Riverside Board of Developmental Disabilities: (937) 440-3000
Social Security Administration: (866) 931-2520
Miami County Birth Certificates: (937) 573-3500
Ohio State ID Cards: (614) 752-7600
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD): (937) 331-5000
Ohio Means Jobs: (937) 440-3465
Selective Service: (888) 655-1825

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Montgomery County

Miami Valley Regional Center: (937) 236-9965
Region 10 – State Support Team: (937) 236-9965
Secondary Transition Process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
School to Adult Life Transition/S.A.L.T.:
Montgomery County Developmental Disabilities: (937) 457-2888
Social Security Administration: (937) 225-4600
Montgomery County Birth Certificates: (937) 496-3114
Ohio State ID Cards: (614) 752-7600
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD): (937) 331-5000
Ohio Means Jobs: (937) 225-5627
Selective Service: (888) 655-1825

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Preble County

Miami Valley Regional Center: (937) 236-9965
Region 10 – State Support Team: (937) 236-9965
Secondary Transition Process: [ODE Secondary Transition Process](#)
Preble County Board of Developmental Disabilities: (937) 456-5891
Social Security Administration: (800) 772-1213
Preble County Birth Certificates: (937) 472-0087
Ohio State ID Cards: (614) 752-7600
Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD): (937) 331-5000
Ohio Means Jobs: (937) 327-1700
Selective Service: (888) 655-1825

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