
The Special Education Department at New Trier High School is committed to providing a community based, functional, real world curriculum in the area of life skills and vocational education. The program ensures each student builds a presence in their own community.



New Trier Township High School
District # 203

Transition Program



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Taking the classroom to the community ensures success for our students!



Program Profile



History

The Transition Program

was begun in 2009 in response to parents, looking to help their sons and daughters maintain the relationships they had established at New Trier while continuing to tap into all that New Trier has to offer, requested that students be given a 5th year at New Trier.

Collaboration with parents has led to the development of a program dedicated to assisting young adults in acquiring the skills necessary to

live productive and fulfilling lives.



Not a Typical School Day

To assist our young adults in making the transition to adulthood, care has been taken to create a schedule and environment that feels less like high school and more like an adult work environment. Instruction focuses on life skills such as meal planning and preparation, health and safety, public transportation skills, home management, and vocational training.

Linkages to Adult Services

Care is taken to assist parents in making linkages to adult services to ensure the transition to adulthood can be as smooth as possible for our students. Our Transition Coordinator is available to answer questions and assist students and their families in making essential connections.

Student Benefits

- Increased Self-Esteem
- Improved Quality of Life
- Valuable Job Skills
- Increased Independence
- Caring friendships
- Increased Social Skills
- Budgeting and Money Management Skills
- Health & Safety Awareness and Skills
- Independent Travel Skills
- A Smooth Transition to Adulthood

