

Parent Night for Freshmen Students with IEPs

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Introductions

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Special Education at New Trier

- Differences between Junior High and High School
- Your Child's Team
 - Case Manager, Adviser, Related Services
- Case Manager and Adviser Roles
 - Adviser:** Attendance, scheduling, “whole school”
 - Case Manager:** IEP goals, accommodations, related service coordination, self-advocacy



Post High School Planning

- Transition Plan in IEP
- Align goals to Transition Plan
- Preparation for the future



Accommodations and Modifications at New Trier

- Level system often alleviates need for accommodations
- Self-advocacy!



Resource seminar

- Check in/prioritize work
- Review content area work
- Test preparation
- Executive functioning support and strategies
- Focus on goal work and self-advocacy



Communication with Families

- Initial 20 minute conference
- Quarterly Progress Notes
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Annual Review

If you have questions/concerns, please reach out!!!



Other Resources

- Classroom Teachers
- Academic Assistance Center ([AAC](#))
- Advisers



Questions????



Conference Sign Up

- Find your child's case manager's name
- Pick a time on that date for a 20 minute conference

