

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN DIVISION

Secondary Transition and Submitted Questions

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NC EC Policy

- EC Policy Manual
- NC 1500-2.41 Transition Services pg. 22
- NC 1503-4.1 Definition of Individualized Education Program pg. 76-77
- NC 1503-4.2 IEP Team pg. 77

In Effect When Student Turns Age 14

(b1)

- IEP must contain statement of:
 - Needs
 - Preferences
 - Interests
- Course(s) of Study
- Updated annually thereafter

In Effect When Student Turns Age 16

(b2)

IEP must contain:

- Appropriate Measurable Postsecondary Goals (PSG)
 - Based on transition assessments related to employment, education/training, and where appropriate, independent living
- Transition Services
 - Needed to assist student in reaching PSG
 - Including interagency responsibility
- Updated annually thereafter

Postsecondary Goals

- Must be:
 - Measurable
 - Appropriate
 - Updated annually
 - Based on Transition Assessment data & related to:
 - Education/Training (certificate, on-the-job, 2-year & 4-year degree options)
 - Employment (career)
 - Independent Living (housing, living supports)

Transition Services

- Transition Services
 - Needed to assist student in reaching PSG
 - Including interagency responsibility
- Take into account the student's strengths, preferences, and interests
 - Instruction
 - Related Services
 - Community Experiences
 - Employment and Adult Living Objectives
 - And, if appropriate:
 - Daily Living Skills and Functional Vocational Assessment

Updated Annually

Updated annually thereafter, which may include:

- Review the Postsecondary Goals (PSG)
- Review any new transition assessment data and/or updates to previous transition data
- Review the transition services and IEP goals supporting the PSG

Outside Agencies

- To the extent appropriate and with consent of parent/student (if age of majority)
 - LEA must invite a representative of any participating agency that is likely to be responsible for providing or paying for transition services

NC Initiatives

State Level

- NC Collaborative Teams (CTE, EC, and VR)
- State Agency MOU (CTE, EC, and VR)
- Collaboration with Community Colleges
- Collaborations with internal and external stakeholders

LEA/PSU Level (determined by the LEA/PSU)

- Continuum of Transitions (introducing in lower grades; person centered thinking; student led IEPs)
- Specially designed initiatives LEA/PSU specific

Resources

NC Transition Toolkit for Parents

Submitted Questions

If a student with IDD is determined that a shorter school day is appropriate; will the student be assigned a homebound teacher to support their education for the parts of the school day they will be at home?

Can DPI share what is the role of the EC office of Educational Equity? When is it appropriate to reach out to that office?

Who should guardians or advocates reach out to at DPI if they have taken concerns to all levels within the local school district but there are still concerns?

If an LME/MCO (or TP in the future) has a student go out of state for medical reasons; who is responsible for their IEP?

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