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Teachers assist students with special needs in preparing for their future. This may include assistance with identifying career interests, finding employment and job training, preparing for college, developing independent living skills, and linking individuals to community resources.

For more information see:

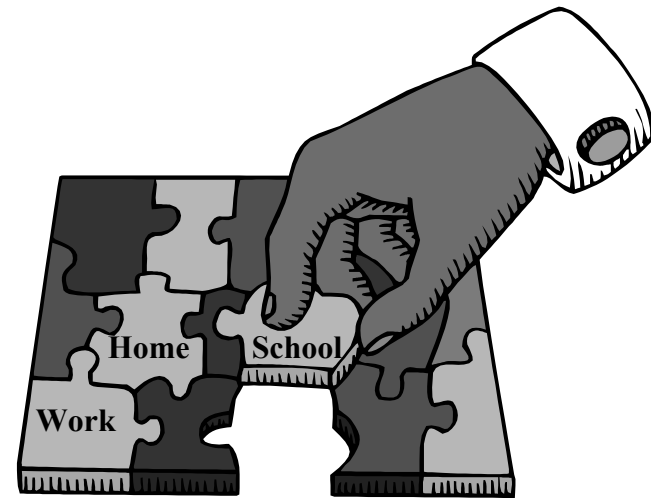
www.kUSD.edu/departments/transition/transition.html

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Transition Resource Directory 2009-2010

**Discover Opportunities and
Resources for the Future**



Kenosha Unified School District No. 1
Student Opportunities & Resources Transition Team



Welcome to the Transition Directory

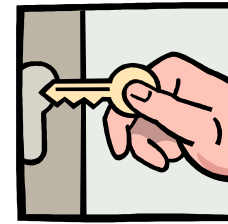
Thank you for taking time to look over the material in this booklet. We hope you are able to connect with useful resources. If you have any questions please contact one of the Transition Teachers listed on the back page.



Checklist:

- Review the information in the booklet
- Using page 21, identify and record a list of resources to contact
- Begin networking with community agencies and organizations
- Prepare a binder of important documents
- Check with your Transition Teacher if you have questions

Transition Tips



1. Attend all IEP meetings and be included as an active participant in your school program.
2. Work with school staff to help you understand your specific disability in relationship to the world of work, post-secondary training and how it will affect your choice to live as independently as possible.
3. Initiate goals for yourself based on a clear understanding of your capabilities and desires.
4. Work with school staff to help teach you self-advocacy skills. (Learning to speak up for and ask for what you need on your own behalf.)
5. Participate in opportunities to explore career interests through travel experiences, and exposure to a variety of jobs within the community.
6. Arrange with your parent's employer a time when you can go to work with them and job shadow what they do in their career.
7. Keep the lines of communication open with your parents to establish a mutual respect for one another.
8. Attendance counts! Learning builds day to day. Even the best teachers can't do the job if you are absent.
9. Get to know your teachers; ask the teacher about homework and other assignments.
10. REMEMBER: You need encouragement, support and exposure for opportunities to mature and become as self-sufficient and productive as possible, ask people to help.

Revised from the Transition Connection Advisory Committee of Manitowoc,
Wisconsin

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Differences between high schools and technical schools

High School	Technical/College
Adults remind you of your responsibilities	You are responsible for your activities and the decisions you make
You are usually told what to do and corrected if you are out of line	You must accept the consequences of your decisions. Sometimes there is not a second chance
Grades are usually given for homework	Grades are usually only given for tests or major projects
Assignments are usually short, reviewed and taught more than once	You will have MUCH more reading to do and assignments will not necessarily be reviewed
Classroom accommodations are taken care of by your IEP team	It is up to you to find the Disability Services Office & to tell them about your disability to arrange for classroom accommodations
Classmates are the same age	Classmates include people of all ages
If you are absent, you are truant and the school will call home	You are responsible to be in class. No one will call home to report you; the school will eventually DROP you.

Difference between at technical school and a 4-year college

Technical School	4-Year College or University
Smaller classes	Usually larger classes
Less expensive	More costly than a tech college
Usually 2 years or less	Takes at least 4 yrs
High employment rate	More classroom study involved
Most credits transfer to a 4 yr college	Credits <u>may</u> transfer or apply (save your catalog)
Hands on education	Less hands on education in the beginning
Gets you into your field sooner	Required for advanced study

Adapted from RUSD Resource guide

Agencies

w2-Wisconsin FACETS

2714 North Dr. Martin Luther King Drive, Milwaukee

www.wifacets.org

Contact: Pat Patterson 877-374-4645

Wisconsin FACETS-provides information, referrals, individual assistance, advocacy support, workshops, and support group information.

w3-Wisconsin Family Ties

St. Mary's Lutheran Church, 2001 80th Street (east entrance), Kenosha

www.wifamilyties.org

Contact: Ginger Fobart 262-652-3031

Wisconsin Family Ties (WFT) is a statewide organization that provides support, information, and advocacy to families of children who have emotional, behavior, substance abuse, or mental disorders. In Kenosha, WFT offers a monthly support group, and a local advocate who is available to attend meetings with parents, assist families in locating resources, and provide one-on-one support. There is no charge to families. Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month, 10:00 a.m.-noon.

Y1-YMCA Kenosha

7101 53rd Street, Kenosha

www.kenoshaymca.org

Contact: Cyndi Altergott 262-654-9622 ext 210

The Kenosha YMCA offers people with disabilities recreational programs, afterschool programs and summer weekend respite programs. Collaborating with Easter Seals Southeast Wisconsin, the Miracle League and others to meet the communities needs.



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Transition Questions You Should Ask

Questions to Ask Yourself:

1. Where will I be upon graduation?
2. Will I have a job?
3. What type of job?
4. If not, what will I be doing instead?
5. What type of preparation will I be doing instead?
6. Will I need special services to enter the world of work?
7. Will I live at home or away?
8. What other means of financial support is available to me?
9. What skills will I need to live independently?
10. Will I have medical coverage?
11. Will I have an active social life?
12. What type of transportation will I have access to?
13. Will I need a guardian?
14. Have you learned informed decision making skills?
15. Can you describe their disability?

Questions to Ask Community Service Providers:

1. What services does your agency provide?
2. What are the eligibility requirements for your services?
3. How old should I be when I contact your agency for services?
4. What paperwork or records must I fill out to have access to your agency's services?
5. What paperwork or records must be completed by other parties for me to receive your services?
6. Who is my contact person at your agency?
7. When will services begin?

If you have further questions regarding the transition process, please contact your child's special education teacher or the building transition teacher.

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U3-University of Wisconsin-Parkside

900 Wood Road, Kenosha

<http://www.uwp.edu/departments/disability.services/>

Contact: Dr. Renee Sartin-Kirby 262-595-2610

Students with documented disabilities who have been admitted to the University of Wisconsin-Parkside are eligible for services under Section 504 of the American with Disabilities Act.



U4-University of Wisconsin Whitewater

2021 Roseman Building, Whitewater

<http://www.uww.edu/StdRscs/projast/>

Contact: Nancy Amacher 262-472-5239

The Center for Students with Disabilities provides academic accommodations to eligible UW-Whitewater students with a wide range of disabilities. In addition to the mandated academic accommodations, the Center provides fee-based services such as a four week Summer Transition Program, Project ASSIST and Transportation.

U5-Urban League

1418 68 Street, Kenosha

Contact: 262-652-2111

Students under age 18 can obtain **work permits** Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Please bring with you: your birth certificate, ID card, driver's license or baptismal record, social security card, letter from employer, parent approval written/in person, \$10 cash only-no checks accepted. (Also at Boys & Girls Club B1 page 6)

T2-The Army National Guard

4200 43rd Avenue, Kenosha

www.wisconsinsguard.com/

Contact: SSG Peter Olson 262-653-6839

Members of the Army National Guard serve one weekend a month and two weeks a year to ensure a high level of readiness. Army National Guard has a unique dual mission, serving both our country and communities.



U1-United States Army

3315 52nd Street, Kenosha

Contact: Army Recruiter SFC Asta 262-652-2072

U1-United States Marines

Regency Mall Bay B 264, 5650 Durand Avenue, Racine

Contact: Marine Recruiter SSG Carachure 262-598-8107

U1-United States Navy

Contact: Navy Recruiter PO1 Anna Spack/PO Walker 262-598-8103

(Racine office) 262-605-3620 (Kenosha Office)

U1-United States Air Force

Contact: SSG Ratz 262-598-8160

The United States Military-There are over 4,100 different officer and enlisted jobs offered by the Military today, for both full-time and part-time duty. Find out more about careers in the Military.

U2-University of Wisconsin Extension-Youth Quest

19600 75th Street, Bristol

www.youthquestwi.org

Contact: John de Montmollin 262-857-1934

The Youth Quest program provides resources to high school students in order to help them plan for a successful future. In order to make use of these resources Youth Quest asks young people to answer three important questions: Should you go on after high school for additional skills education and/or training? What do you want to be? Where should you go for additional skills, education and/or training? All work is done online.

A1-Adaptive Technology Resources

N54 W6135 Mill Street, Suite 500, P. O. Box 857

Cedarburg, WI 53012

www.AdaptiveTR.com

Contact: Cindy Dellegrazio & Nick Hanford 800-770-8474

ATR provides training and adaptive software and hardware for Learning Disabilities, Reading Disabilities, Low Vision, Blindness, and Mobility Impairments. We are the Wisconsin contact for Kurzweil Educational Systems, Freedom Scientific, textHelp and more.

A2-Aging and Disabilities Resource Center

8600 Sheridan Road (Kenosha Co. Job Center), Kenosha

<http://www.co.kenosha.wi.us/dhs/Divisions/Aging/>

Contact: Mary Geraghty 262-605-6646

The Aging and Disability Resource Center provides information, referral, assistance, and eligibility determination services for people with developmental and physical disabilities, traumatic brain injury, mental health and aging issues. We facilitate enrollment into Family Care, a state long-term-care benefit, and can assist with planning for vocational and adult service needs before and after graduation. Information is available on medical, home health care, vocational, and residential services as well as application and advocacy for public benefits. Information and assistance with the guardianship process is also available.

A3-The ARC-Wisconsin

1218 79th Street, Kenosha

www.arcofkenosha.org or www.arc-wisconsin.org

Contact: Paula Williams 262-658-9510, Ruth Wieck 262-652-8586 or Jim Hoegemeier (877) 272-8400, ext. 2 (Toll-free in WI)

Affiliated with the National and State of WI Arc Associations. Board meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at the Kenosha Achievement Center, 1218-79th Street.

B1-Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha

1715 52nd Street, Kenosha

www.bgckenosha.org/

Contact: Kathy Cole 262-654-6200 ext 127

The mission of the Boys & Girls Club is to inspire, enable and provide resources to all young people of Greater Kenosha to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.

B2-Bureau of Apprenticeship

3520 30th Avenue, Kenosha

www.gtc.edu/apprenticeship/ or <http://www.dwd.state.wi.us./>

[Apprenticeship/contacts.htm](#)

Contact: Donna Mews 262-564-2954 or Sandy Brietzman 262-564-3210 (BAS Rep.)

An apprenticeship is a built-in formal training agreement providing for on-the-job training and related classroom instruction in the following areas: Barber/Cosmetologist, Bricklayer & Mason, Cement Mason, Construction Electrician, Culinary (Cook), Glazier, Heat & Frost Insulator, Industrial Electrician (Maintenance Electrician), Industrial Pipe Fitter, Machine Repair, Machine Tool (Machinist), Maintenance Mechanic/Millwright, Painter and Decorator, Patternmaker, Plumber, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning, Roofer, Sheet Metal Worker, Sprinkler Fitter, Steamfitter, Steel Foundry and Molder (Foundry/Metal Casting), Telecommunications (DVD) Installer/Technician, Tool and Die Maker, Tool Maker.

Underlined areas are taught at Gateway, the rest are available at MATC or WCTC-Waukesha



C1-Carthage College

2001 Alford Park Drive, Kenosha

<http://www.carthage.edu/advising/learning/>

Contact: Diane Schowalter 262-551-5802

Support for students with learning disabilities will be arranged for students who have current documentation. These students are entitled to "reasonable modifications" that will facilitate their college learning experiences. Students are responsible for contacting the Advising Center and providing current documentation. In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the College is committed to achieving equal opportunities and full participation for people with disabilities.

S3-Society's Assets, Inc.

5727 6th Avenue, Kenosha

www.societysassets.org

Contact: Pauline Lorenz 262-657-3999 or Linda Vogelmann 637-9128
Society's Assets, Inc. is an independent living center. Independent living is an individual's right to choose his/her own lifestyle in the community or their choice. Services are provided in the areas of: independent living skills training, information and referral (guardianship), peer support, and advocacy, home health, home care, representative payee, medical assistance case management, private pay services.

Peer Power Program

Contact: Tami Jandrowski 262-657-3999

A unique peer-based program designed to support high school students with all types of disabilities to plan for their lives after high school. It is driven by the students. Students are paired with mentors. One to two activities are planned each month.

S4-Special Olympics

6150 Taylor Avenue, Racine WI 53403

www.specialolympics.org

Contact: Troy Anderson (Regional Director of Sports) 262-598-9507
Special Olympics- Special Olympics is an international organization dedicated to empowering individuals with cognitive disabilities to become physically fit, productive and respected members of society through sports training and competition. Special Olympics offers children and adults with intellectual disabilities year-round training and competition in 26 Olympic-type summer and winter sports. There is no charge to participate in Special Olympics.



T1-Teen Talk

5407 8th Avenue, Kenosha

Contact: Dominique Pritchett 262-657-7188

Teen Talk is a program for teens. From 4-7pm on Wednesday's the phones are manned by teens. Teens are encouraged to call to talk about problems or concerns.

P1-Parents in Partnership

800 Wisconsin Street, Bldg D2, Mailbox 65, Eau Claire

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/BDDS/fsp.htm>

Contact: Danette Cates or Martha DeYoung 608-742-8814 ext 255

The Parents In Partnership program (PIP) is a leadership opportunity for parents, foster parents, or other caregivers who have children, 6-14 years old, or youth 13-21 years old with special needs. Parents will have the opportunity to develop leadership skills, support networks, and positive parent-professional partnerships.

S1-Selective Services

Men 18 years old must register with Selective Services. Register on line at www.sss.gov or pick up a form at the U.S. Post Office. Registration is the process by which the U.S. Government collects names and addresses of men age 18-25 to use in case of a national emergency, determined by Congress and the President, which would require rapid expansion of the Armed Forces. Men are required to register within 30 days of their 18th birthday.

Not registering is a felony. Young men prosecuted and convicted of failure to register may be fined up to \$250,000.00, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. Failure to register also may cause men to permanently lose eligibility for student financial aid, government employment, job training, and U.S. citizenship for male immigrants.

S2-Social Security Administration

5624 6th Avenue, Kenosha

<http://www.ssa.gov/>

Contact: 1-800-772-1213 or 262-656-7846

The Social Security Office administers Social Security Retirement, Survivors, Supplemental Security income and disability benefit programs. Children and young adults can be entitled to social security benefits if their parents are retired, deceased, or disabled. A disabled child can also receive a disabled Adult child's benefit if he/she became disabled before age 22 and a parent retires, dies, or becomes disabled. They may also be eligible for benefits through the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program if they are severely disabled

C2-Community Support

5407 8th Avenue, Kenosha

<http://www.co.kenosha.wi.us/dhs/Divisions/Aging/iris/adrc0469aa.html>

Contact: Lisa Haen or Brian Deneka 262-657-7188

Provides a broad array of services and support that are delivered through an assertive, community-based management approach for adults age 18 and over, who are seriously and persistently mental ill. Services are customized in treatment plans, to address each person's needs, identify individual strengths that promote recovery and assist in achieving positive outcomes.

C3-Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA #1)

19601 West Bluemound Road, Brookfield

<http://www.cesa1.k12.wi.us/>

Contact: Cheri Sylla Parent Liaison 262-787-9500

Cooperative Educational Service Agency #1(CESA #1) is one of twelve regional agencies to "serve educational needs in all areas of Wisconsin by serving as a link between school districts and the state. CESA's may facilitate communication and cooperation among all public and private schools, agencies and organizations that provide services to pupils. Parent Liaison services to families of children with disabilities and school personnel include the following: information, referral, and support in special education and family involvement; education and training opportunities, and access to resources.

D1-Disability Rights Wisconsin

6737 W. Washington Street, Suite 3230, Milwaukee, WI 53214

<http://www.disabilityrightswi.org/>

Contact: 414-773-4646 or 800-708-3034

Disability Rights Wisconsin helps people across Wisconsin gain access to services and opportunity through its advocacy and legal expertise. We regularly challenge systems and society to create positive change and improve the lives of people with disabilities.

D2-Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

8600 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

www.dwd.state.wi.us

Contact: Brian Messman 262-697-4649, Kitra Thomas 262-697-4694, Nicole Gustavson-Binger 262-697-4693

The Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) is a federal/state program working in partnership with people with physical or mental disabilities to individually pursue, obtain, and maintain employment suited to a person's abilities and interests. We help our clients gain independence, increase self-sufficiency, and achieve full inclusion in society. DVR provides individually-tailored services for people with disabilities who need services to prepare for work, or to find and keep a job.

E1-Easter Seals Southeast Wisconsin

1016 Milwaukee Avenue, South Milwaukee, WI 53172

www.eastersealswise.com

Contact: Susan Klawien 414-571-5566 ext. 407 or Amber Mavroff 414-571-5566 ext. 408 or 1-800-470-5463

Easter Seals is a non-profit values based agency that supports children, teens and adults with disabilities, their families and caregivers through a wide range of services for 75 years in six counties. Services are: ACCESS (Adults Connecting in the Community to Experience Social Success), Adult Day Services, After School Program, ArtLink, Guardianship, P.L.A.Y. (Play & Language for Autistic Youngsters) and Understanding Differences.

E2-Easter Seals of Wisconsin

101 Nob Hill Road, Suite 301, Madison, WI 53713

www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com

Contact: 608-277-8288 or 1-800-422-2324 or 608-277-8031 TTY

Easter Seals Wisconsin has been creating life-changing solutions for individuals with disabilities and their families for nearly seven decades. Whether providing recreational opportunities for children, respite care for families, assisting farmers continue to farm, or gaining greater independence in everyday living, Easter Seals Wisconsin offers a variety of services to address life's challenges.

M2-Milwaukee Area Technical College

1200 South 71 Street, West Allis, WI 53214

<http://matc.edu/student/resources/needs.html>

Contact: Peg Pomplin 414-456-5306

The Disability Services Department provides reasonable accommodations and academic support to students with disabilities who demonstrate specific educational needs. The goals of the department are to support educational progress, promote completion of educational objectives, and ultimately expect individuals with disabilities to acquire and maintain competitive employment.

M3-Mobility Works

N8 W22195 Johnson Drive Suite 130 Waukesha, 53186

<http://www.mobilityworks.com/>

Contact: Andrew Blumberg 866-711-5071 or 262-574-0970

Mobility Works is an industry leader in providing quality accessibility in transportation to both private & commercial customers. It is the mission of Complete Mobility Systems to provide quality accessibility in transportation, and to promote respect and independence in lifelong customer and employee relationships.

N1-Naval Station Great Lakes

PO Box 88-7210, Great Lakes, IL

Contact: High School Transition Teacher or Michelle Mancusi (K7 on page 13)

For over a quarter of a century, the U.S. Navy has partnered with Goodwill working through the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program. A broad range of employment opportunities for people with disabilities are available with Goodwill at Naval Station Great Lakes including Food Service, Uniform Issue, Postal, Administrative Services, Warehousing, Janitorial, and Facilities Services. Goodwill provides comprehensive training designed to maximize applicant abilities and assure smooth transition into the workplace. The training program addresses technical skills, job retention skills, employer expectations and Navy protocol. Training is ongoing and is focused on maintaining and increasing employees' skills as well as preparing individuals for career advancement. ***Applicants must meet eligibility requirements.***

K12-Kenosha Unified Youth Apprenticeship Program

3600 52nd Street, Kenosha

Contact: Susan Watring 262-359-7661

The Youth Apprenticeship Program is designed for high school students who want to experience hands on learning at the worksite in conjunction with classroom instruction. This rigorous one or two year elective program combines academic and technical instruction with mentored on-the-job learning that makes a real world connection for the students.

K13-Kenosha Unified Youth Options Program

3600 52nd Street, Kenosha

<http://oldweb.uwp.edu/admissions/youthoptions/yopindex.htm>

Contacts: Roberta Akalin & Greg Wright

The Youth Options Program (YOP) provides full time public high school juniors and seniors students with the opportunity to take college courses while still enrolled in high school if they meet the academic requirements set by the college and students without a record of disciplinary problems applying to the technical colleges. Student earns both college and high school credit. The School District pays for the tuition and the required textbook. However, any student who fails or drops a course resulting in failure is required to reimburse the School District for the cost incurred. Parents and students should meet with their high school counselor as well as their case manager to determine if the Youth Options Programs will serve their best academic interests.

L1-LakeView RecPlex Therapeutic Recreation

9900 Terwall Terrace, Pleasant Prairie www.replexonline.com/

Contact: Erin Winch 262-925-6747

The LakeView RecPlex Therapeutic Recreation program gives people with disabilities healthy solutions to their recreational needs.

M1-Mental Health & Substance Abuse Resource Center

5407-8th Avenue, Kenosha

Contact: Sue Roknic 262-657-7188

Provides information on service options for people with developing and established mental health conditions. Staff will help to sort out options and create a plan for meeting the individual's needs. Services include referral to resources for adult medical care, mental health care, vocational services, support groups, help applying for disability and other public benefits, and eligibility screening for county funded services and recovery based case management.

F1-Families First

5407 8th Avenue, Kenosha

http://www.co.kenosha.wi.us/dhs/Divisions/CFS/Services/Services_FFP.php

Contact: Debbie McGrain 262-697-5578

The Kenosha County Department of Human Services (KCHDS) wraparound program for families with children experiencing severe emotional disabilities. Families First is designed to provide families with the needed support services which keep them intact, prevent out of home placements, and improve educational opportunities for children.

F2-Family Support Program

5407 8th Avenue, Kenosha

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/BDDS/fsp.htm>

Contact: Ben Lake 657-7188 ext 206

In-home support for families who have children with severe disabilities. The Family Support Program provides individual services and supports to families that include a child with severe disabilities. The Program recognizes that meeting the needs of children who have severe disabilities may place hardships on a family's emotional, physical and financial resources.

G1-Gateway Technical College

3520 30th Avenue, Kenosha

www.gtc.edu

Contact: Jack Sullivan 262-564-2320

Gateway Technical College (GTC) provides quality technical educational opportunities and support services that enable individuals to acquire skills necessary for full participation in the work force and for fulfillment of lifelong educational goals. The transition counselor will assist students in the application process, evaluate documentation of disabilities, and refer and recommend accommodations. The Transition Counselor counsels as well on academic, personal, and crisis issues. Special needs instructors will secure accommodations for students and act as liaisons with other instructors. Accommodations may include: note takers, interpreters, scribes, tutoring and assistive technology.

G2-Great Lakes Adaptive Sports Association

400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest, IL 60045

www.glasa.org/

Contact: 847-283-0908

The mission of the Great Lakes Adaptive Sports Association is to promote and support the optimal development and well being for youth and adults who have a primary physical or visual impairment through the provision of inclusive recreational, fitness and competitive sports activities and to offer opportunities for empowerment through education, leadership and training in collaboration with community based organizations.

K1-Kenosha Achievement Center

7405 30th Avenue and 1218 79th Street, Kenosha

www.thekac.com

Contact: Jeanne Klemp 262-658-9526

Kenosha Achievement Center-(KAC) creates opportunities for the personal growth and success of persons with special needs by providing quality services and products in the community utilizing innovative ideas, both in programs and in business. Vocational evaluation, training, community job development and placement, supported employment, and organizational work services are provided to ultimately lead to community job placement as well as to more independent living situations. KAC also offers an Adult Day service program that is focused on developing independence an self-esteem through community outings, recreation, and leisure activities, and exploring the creative arts. KAC provides transportation to and from the center for those who qualify as well as offering hot lunch preparation on site.

K2-Kenosha County Division of Health

8600 Sheridan Road, Suite 600, Kenosha

www.co.kenosha.wi.us/DHS/Divisions/Health/

Contact: Cynthia Rafenstein (262) 605-6700

The mission of the Kenosha County Divison of Health is to assure the delivery of health services necessary to prevent disease, maintain and promote health, and to protect and preserve a healthy environment for all citizens of Kenosha County regardless of ethnic origin, cultural and economic resources.

K9-Kenosha Housing Authority

625 52nd Street, Room 98, Kenosha

<http://www.kenosha.org/departments/housing/programs.htm>

Contact: Lyn Elvetici 262-653-4120

Kenosha County Housing Authority assists very low-income families with safe, decent, affordable housing opportunities as they strive to achieve self-sufficiency and improve the quality of their lives. We administer housing programs for low-income families, the elderly and persons with disabilities.

K10-Kenosha Unified Assistive Technology Consultants

3600 52nd Street, Kenosha

www.kusd.edu/departments/assistive_technology/assistive_technology.html

Contact: Brenda Post-Chvilicek/Sally Fennema-Jansen 262-359-7734

Kenosha Unified Assistive Technology Consultants provide students, parents, teachers and schools with information regarding assistive technology tools to support learning and independence.

K11-Kenosha Unified Career & Technical Education Departments

3600 52nd Street, Kenosha

www.kusd.edu

Contact: Greg Wright 262-359-6313

Career and Technical education classes offer students a head start in many career pathways. **Tremper and Bradford:** Automotive- Collision and Mechanical, Construction and Building Trades, Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Engineering, Manufacturing and Transportation, Business and Finance, Accounting and Administrative Assistant, Computers and Programming, Childcare, Health Careers and CNA, Foods and Culinary, Clothing and Textiles, Family and Life Skills. **LakeView Technology Academy:** Automated Manufacturing and Robotics, Engineering, Information Technology and Computers, Aviation. **Indian Trail Academy:** Graphics and Communication, Biotechnology, International Business, CNA, Military. **Reuther:** CNA, Culinary Arts, Childcare.

K6-Kenosha County Job Center Goodwill Industries

8600 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

Contact: Michelle Mancusi 262-697-4595

The Personal & Career Development Unit (PCDU) is responsible for a variety of employment preparation and support services that span a continuum from individual to large group forums. Services include workforce development, up-front services, one-on-one consultations, resume development, employment preparation and life skill workshops. Services focused on program participants include job clubs, community work experience, and placement activities.

K7-Kenosha County Job Center Job Corps

8600 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

<http://jobcorps.doleta.gov/>

Contact: Lela Kwiatkowski 262-697-4741

Job Corps is a no-cost education and vocational training program administered by the U.S. Department of Labor that helps young people ages 16 through 24 get a better job, make more money and take control of their lives.



K8-Kenosha County Job Center Medical Assistance

8600 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/>

Contact: Ed Kamin 262-697-4664

Medicaid or Medical Assistance is a joint federal/state program established in 1965 under Title XIX of the Social Security Act to pay for medical services for people with disabilities, people 65 years and older, children and their caretakers, and pregnant women who meet the program's financial requirements.

K3-Kenosha County Job Center/Kenosha Achievement Center Mobility Manager

7405 30th Avenue, Kenosha

Contact: Gary Eckstein 262-697-9636

The Mobility Manager is responsible for coordinating transportation needs for a variety of programs, including workers at Naval Station Great Lakes.

K4-Kenosha County Job Center Benefits Specialist

8600 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

www.dwd.state.wi.us/jobnet

Contact: Shelly Patterson (Benefit Specialist) 262-697-4705

The Kenosha County Job Center offers benefits counseling for persons who receive Social Security benefits; additional income can affect benefits received.

K5-Kenosha County Job Center Career Assessment

8600 Sheridan Road, Kenosha

www.dwd.state.wi.us/jobnet

Contact: Barb Welch /Carol Ziesmer (Career Assessment)
262-697-4705

At the Job Center you are able to conduct an entire job search, which could include an interest assessment, writing a resume, getting information on current prevailing wage rate, and identifying job openings in the following areas: Kenosha County, Southeastern Wisconsin, the state of Wisconsin, as well as jobs nationally and internationally. You can use the Jobnet, a statewide electronic link of employers and job seekers, to search current jobs that are available. Individuals also can learn about apprenticeship opportunities.



A Smooth Transition is Our Mission

4 to 5 Years Prior to Graduation (8th & 9th Grade)

- Begin student transition planner & participate in developing transition goals
- Practice independent living skills (e.g.: shopping, housekeeping, budgeting etc.)
- Begin graduation portfolio-include a resume & update it as needed
- Attend career day
- Participate in career exploration activities/classes
- Identify learning styles & necessary accommodations
- Learn to communicate interests, preferences & needs at IEP meeting
- Visit a career center
- Complete 4-year career plan
- Identify vocational interests
- Learn & practice informed decision-making skills
- Pursue & use local transportation
- Visit High Schools (8th grade)
- Learn to monitor your own behavior

Have you identified...

- A designated homework space?
- Where will you live after high school?
- Who your IEP case manager is?
- Accommodations you can request?
- The path you intend to take? If not, how can you change course?
- How to access Kenosha Area Transit?

Can you...

- Describe your strengths?
- Ask for help?
- Describe your weaknesses?
- Solve problems effectively?
- Explain your disability label?
- Manage your time well?
- Explain how you learn best?
- Manage your money well?

2 to 3 Years Prior to Graduation (10th & 11th Grade)

- Continue transition planner & participate in developing transition goals
- Participate in work experience/internship apprenticeship &/or enroll in Career, Technical & Service Education courses
- Take PSAT test/ACT test & arrange for accommodations if necessary
- Determine need for financial support
- Visit Kenosha Job Center/Job Fair
- Complete a vocational assessment inventory
- Practice effective communication by developing interview skills, asking for help & identifying accommodations at post-secondary & work environments
- Visit a career center
- Investigate community agency connections for example: DVR, KAC, SAI, ADRC
- Visit college campuses
- Investigate job/class shadowing opportunities
- Pursue guardianship issues before age 18
- Add to graduation portfolio
- Identify barriers that interfere with goals

Last Year Before Graduation (12th Grade)



- Complete transition planner & participate in developing transition goals
- Participate in work experience/internship apprenticeship/& or enroll in Career, Technical & Service Education courses
- Take ACT/SAT (fall) & arrange for accommodations before registering
- Request credit check for graduation from counselor
- Complete graduation portfolio
- Obtain paid employment
- Complete college or technical school applications & arrange for accommodations
- Apply for financial aid/scholarships
- Identify community support services & programs. Complete applications procedures
- Visit college campuses
- Formulate final post-secondary plans & transition goals
- Assume responsibility for health care needs
- Register to vote & for selective services

More information:

[www.kusd.edu/departments/
transition/transition.html](http://www.kusd.edu/departments/transition/transition.html)