

## **Parent Transition Sessions 2009-2010**

### **For students with disabilities and their families**

*Please join us for Transition Training being collaboratively offered by Capital Region BOCES Transition Coordination Team, and several school districts throughout the Capital District. Planning for life after high school for students with disabilities can be a daunting task... come hear professionals discuss topics listed below. You will need to register for each presentation that you are attending to ensure ample space for participants. **Please register at least 1 week before each session. RSVP to 464-6376.** (Pre-registration is encouraged – you may register at the door.)*

**Nov 12, 2009 @ 6:30 Agency Fair** at Shaker HS. High School parents and students will have an opportunity to shop around and see what services are available in the Capital District . Representatives from CDTA, VESID, Wildwood, Catholic Charities, and many more will be in attendance. **Location: Shaker HS.** All area schools are welcome. (Julia Gold coordinating)

**Dec 1, 2009 @ 6:30 College Night** for High School students w/ IEPs or 504 plans and their parents. Nancy Belowich-Negron from the University at Albany will discuss the transition to college for students needing accommodations and services on college campuses. Local colleges have been invited for a **College Fair** as well. **Location: Niskayuna HS Little Theater.** All area schools are welcome. Most appropriate for 10-12th grades. (Laura Thomson coordinating)

**Dec 10, 2009 @ 6:00-6:45 Guardianship** for individuals with developmental disabilities and **7:00-7:30 Special Needs Trusts.** Both presented by Attorney Ed Wilczenski. How to plan for your loved one with a developmental disability. Come for one or stay for both sessions. There will be a brief break in between session for questions. Most appropriate for parents of Elementary through HS parents of children w/ developmental disabilities. **Location: Maywood School** (Julia Gold & Elizabeth Klotz coordinating)

**Jan TBD, 2010 @ 6:30 -7:30 NYS VESID Orientation** to Services – who are they and what can they offer to students as they prepare for life after high school. Most appropriate for High School juniors and seniors. All area schools are welcome to attend. **Location: Maywood School** (Wendi Richards & Elizabeth Klotz)

**Feb TBD, 2010 @ 6:00 ~7:30 The World of OMRDD services...** the application and eligibility process, Medicaid waiver programs, and agency services available for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Most appropriate for parents of Elementary through HS aged children. **Location: Maywood School** . All area schools welcome to attend. (Laura Thomson coordinating)

**March 3, 2010 @ 6:30~7:30 Social Security Benefits...** what you should know about applying for benefits for your disabled child. Mike Dinneen from Social Security will demystify this system and answer your questions about benefits. **Location: Albany High School Auditorium** All area schools welcome to attend. Most appropriate for parents of Elem through high school students. Snow Date: 3/10/10 same time and location. (Jay Arnold & Kathy Murphy coordinating)

**April 29, 2010 @ 6:30 ~8:30 Trade Fair** at Shenendehowa HS. Come talk to representatives from local trade schools. **Location : Shen High School-East.** All area schools are welcome to attend. Most appropriate for HS students and parents. (Suzanne Hasko & Wendy O'Brien coordinating)

Training brought to you by: Capital Region BOCES Transition Coordination Team, Niskayuna HS, Shenendehowa HS, Shaker HS, and Albany City HS. Please see [www.CapRegBOCES.org](http://www.CapRegBOCES.org) special education transition webpage for detailed information about each session and directions to locations.