

Utah's Transition Planning App: Tips for Use

The Utah Transition app is designed to assist students and their families in planning for the student's future in a fun and engaging way. Using this app puts the student first in planning their future, while practicing selfadvocacy and self-determination skills. The app mirrors the post secondary transition plan in the Individualized Education Program (IEP). When completed, it will provide a downloadable draft the student can use during their IEP meeting. This report can also be used by the IEP team to create the transition plan.

Suggestions for Classroom Use!

- Review the app in its entirety and/or use the paper version to teach the vocabulary concepts before students complete their draft Transition Plan.
- Have students complete transition assessments such as the "Keys to Success- Career Explorer" so students can match their interests with career clusters.
- The app must be completed from start to end in one sitting.
- Once completed, have students email their draft plan to IEP team members and/or bring it to their IEP meeting.
- Students can cut and paste their draft plan onto the slide template or create their own student led IEP presentation from information on the draft plan.

Suggestions for family Use!

• Family members, along with their student are encouraged to use the app prior to an Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting where transition will be discussed.

• For youth who may not be able to articulate responses in a traditional manner, encourage family and close friends to complete the app on the student's behalf based on the student's strengths, preferences, interests, and needs.

More Tips!

- In the draft plan, student responses are bulleted.
- The app works with build in technology such as, text to speech and speech to text.
- Links to Utah adult agencies are embedded in the draft plan