

## What is the RI Transition Academy at WBC?

The RI Transition Academy at West Bay Collaborative is an alternative high school program for 18 to 21 year-old students with disabilities that provides classroom and community instruction in an adult learning environment.

The program, based on a college campus, the Villa Del Rio Apartments, and in various community settings, utilizes a student-centered approach in teaching functional academics, independent living skills, self-advocacy, community involvement, and the skills necessary for seeking, obtaining and maintaining employment– the skills necessary for a successful satisfying life beyond high school.



Most students participate for one school year. However, based on need and IEP Team recommendation, a student may return for an additional year.

**We are** a unique educational experience happening on a college campus, Villa Del Rio Apartments, in our partner businesses, and in the community that is RI!

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# The RI Transition Academy at WBC

**Moving Forward...**



**A Program of the West Bay Collaborative Regional Transition Center**

## At the RI Transition Academy at WBC, students will...

- ◇ gain the **vocational skills and confidence** to get a job or keep a job with minimal or time limited supports;

- ◇ acquire **the functional and daily living skills** necessary to reach their



potential independence;

- ◇ reinforce and improve functional **academic skills** to be better

**The Transition Academy at WBC is located on a college campus.**

prepared for the workplace or post secondary training programs;

- ◇ develop the **social skills and self-confidence** to find success with inter-

personal relationships at work and at home;

- ◇ develop **confidence, self-advocacy skills, and self-awareness** to know the rights and responsibilities of adulthood, know themselves, and know how to seek assistance if needed.



## Who should apply to the RI Transition Academy at WBC?

### Students who...

- **Are 18-21 years-old, have an IEP and are currently enrolled in school;**
- **Are eligible for services from the RI Office of Rehabilitation Services (ORS);**
- **Are not prepared to graduate but want to leave the high school building or graduate with peers;**
- **Are motivated to attend and fully participate in program activities;**
- **Can follow the rules and expectations of a college setting**

## The Application Process

- \* **IEP Team (student, parent, school personnel, ORS Counselor and others) determine need for continued services and recommend making application to the program**
- \* **Application packet is completed and mailed from the district special education office**
- \* **Students are interviewed by program personnel**
- \* **Admission is not guaranteed**



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