### The Compass

Helping You Navigate Your Roadmap to Adulthood



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Welcome to the Planning for Adult Life monthly newsletter, **The Compass**!

This newsletter will highlight upcoming monthly events, updates on supports and services, and opportunities to gather information available through our program.

# Transition Planning 101: Doing Chores Can Help with Future Employment

Did you know that having your child do the laundry can build on your child's skills in categorization, math skills, problem solving, and sequencing skills? These are very important transferable skills to have in the world of work. Having experience in this area can lead to jobs in fitness centers, commercial laundry services, or sports teams.

Becca Eisenberg posted an article 12 Skills and 5
Household Chores That Can



<u>Serve As Preparation For Future Vocation</u>, that states '...Chores at home can lead to greater success in vocational settings, especially with regard to taking responsibility and learning to respect authority...' <u>To Learn More...</u>

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## Webinar Wednesday Series

Join us for our upcoming **FREE** webinars:

#### April 20th at 6:00pm

"A Self-Advocate's Perspective on Connecting to The Community"

Click here to register.



#### **REGISTER TODAY!**

Come and learn about how to plan for life beyond high school- whether it's finding work, continuing your education, getting your own place or even starting a business. Find out what services are available to help you build your roadmap to adult life.

# Parent Forum and Opportunity Expos 2016 9:00-1:00pm

April 16, 2016
Stockton University

April 30, 2016 NJIT

#### **Click Here to Register**

#### **Workshops Sessions Include: (vary by location)**

- Parent's Perspective on Planning
- Yes, Your Child Can Work
- College Options For Students with I/DD
- Applying For Medicaid and SSI
- Accessing Services and Supports in Your Community

#### May 11th at 6:00pm

" Exploring Housing for Persons with Developmental Disability"

Click here to register

#### June 22nd at 6:00pm

"10 Things Every Student Should Explore During Summer Break"

**Click here to register** 

## Student Planning Activity



### Learn About Self-Advocacy!

Self-Advocacy? What does that mean?
Self-advocacy is the ability to speak up for yourself. Here is a great online activity that can help you can learn more about self-advocacy, set goals, and much more.

Click here and try it today!

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#### **Things To Consider:**

## 10 Defusing Phrases to Use at IEP Meetings

High emotions in a meeting can cause distractions.

Understood.org
offers 10 stay-calm
phrases you can
use to get back on
track and lessen the
intensity.



# 3: How can we work together to make this happen?

To Learn More...



#### **Check Out Our Archived Videos:**

#### **Creating A Transition IEP**

Click here to view the video!

Planning For Adult Life serves students, 16-21 years-old, with developmental disabilities and their families.

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