



BOULDER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Education



ALL TOGETHER
for ALL STUDENTS

Special Education Advisory Council 2024

Getting Ready for College : For Students with IEPs

Neurodivergent learners have more college opportunities than ever before as more campuses understand that supporting students with disabilities helps them succeed in school and life.

Students can start slowly with a community college, use the Colorado transfer program at our state or community colleges, and/or get college credit while in high school.

[Getting Accommodations to Succeed in College Chart and Directions](#)
[Understanding Differences Between High School and College](#)
[BVSD Grad+ and College Credit](#)

College life does require strong executive functioning skills as the structure of high school with parents, case managers and teachers supporting, moves to a self-advocating model of requesting accommodation and managing academic and life skills demands.

IEPs are not used in college/vocational schools though the data in one may be used to determine what accommodations the student may be granted.

Using a student's last years in [high school](#) to practice demonstrating self-advocacy, technical skills and managing independent living skills along with shifting IEP goals and accommodations can help prepare for success. The IEP team, including the student, should have transition IEP goals that align well to annual goals to inform course selections and other transition activities

- [IEP Transition Checklist](#)
- [IEP Transition Roadmap](#)
- [CDE Transition Training Series for Parents](#) (10 modules)
- [IEP Goal Ideas to Support College Readiness](#)
- BVSD videos on Beyond High School:
 1. [Boulder Technical Center and School to Work Alliance](#) Program
 2. [Discussion with disability services at Metropolitan State](#)
 3. [Occupational therapists on preparing for college](#)
 4. [Transition Goals](#)

Colorado College Disability Services

Each campus has their own process for applying for accommodations and for how to use the approved accommodations. Click on the links below to review their process.

- [Transition of Students With Disabilities To Postsecondary Education: A Guide for High School Educators](#)
- [List of all Colleges and Universities in Colorado](#)

Community Colleges (13 campuses)

- [Front Range Disability Support Services](#)
- [Red Rocks Accessibility Services](#)
- [Aims Disability Access Services](#)
- [Arapahoe Disability Access Services](#)

Colorado Mountain Colleges (11 campuses)

- [Access, Inclusion and Disability Services](#)

Colorado State Universities

- Fort Collins
- Pueblo
- Metropolitan State University
 - [Inclusive Higher Education Solutions](#)
 - [Access Center](#)

Universities with links to their Disability Services

- [Colorado School of Mines](#)
- [University of Colorado- Boulder](#)
- [University of Colorado Colorado Springs](#)
- [University of Colorado- Denver](#)
- [University of Northern Colorado](#)
- [Western Colorado University](#)
- [Regis University](#) (private)
- [Colorado College](#)
- [Fort Lewis College](#)
- [Colorado Mesa University](#)
- [Adams State University](#)

Higher Education opportunities for students with Intellectual /Developmental Disabilities

- University of Northern Colorado- [GOAL Program](#)
- University of Colorado at Colorado Springs- [Inclusive Services](#)
- Regis University- [Global Inclusive Program](#)
- Arapahoe Community College- [Elevate](#)
- Colorado State University at Fort Collins- [RAM Scholars](#)

[Think College directory](#) and [Transition Resources](#) for students with intellectual disabilities