



OSD Transition Program



An Informational Presentation



Who We Are...

- The Olympia School District Transition Program founded by Roberta Dee in 1991 is located at the Dee House.
- We are a community-based post-secondary program for students with disabilities 18-21 who want to continue their education after high school
- The program focus is on teaching vocational skills through volunteer placements
- Students learn skills to travel and to live as independently as they are able
- Functional academics and social skills are taught in the community and at the Dee House. For students where it is appropriate these skills are also taught at SPSCC by the Transition Program teacher
- We provide students and families with information on community agencies available to support them in their future journey



Our Mission...



The mission for the OSD Transition Program located at Roberta Dee House is to assist students as they prepare for the transition to their adult lives. The Transition Program provides opportunities for students to envision their potential for post-secondary education, meaningful employment through volunteerism, independent living and community involvement. The outcome for students is to become as independent as they are able and productive members of society.

Student Support

- Our Program is staffed by a lead teacher and multiple para-educators who support students on a daily-basis



- Students who qualify are also supported by our district Speech Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist and Physical Therapist





Real-World Job Experience

- Our community-based program allows students to gain work skills in the real-world



- Students develop relationships with job supervisors around the community and learn vocational communication skills

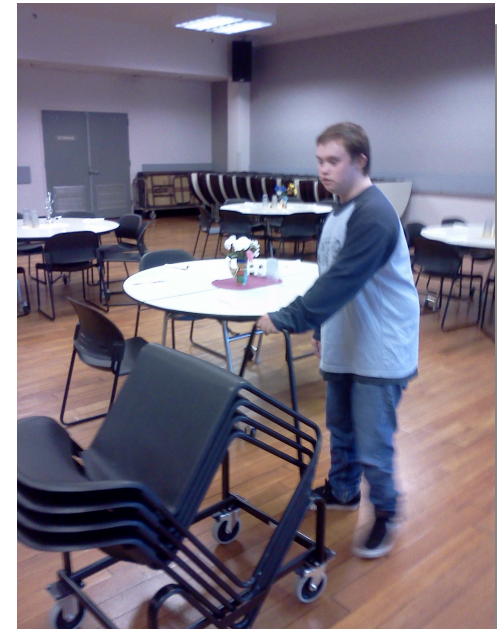


Vocational Training



Students are placed in volunteer sites around the community based on their individual interests and ability levels

Program staff work with the students on-site to support and develop independence



+ Our Sites

- The Transition Program has established relationships with many businesses and organizations around the community where we can place students to do volunteer work.
- Past and current sites include:
 - Providence Medical Warehouse
 - Bonaventure Retirement Home
 - Olympia Food Co-Op
 - Olympia Senior Center
 - Educational Service District 113
 - Olympia School District Knox Building
 - YWCA-The Other Bank
 - Hands-On Children's Museum
 - Thurston County Food Bank
 - OSD McKinney Elementary
 - YMCA
 - Washington Center for the Performing Arts



+ Independent Living

- The Transition Program teaches independent living skills such as:
 - Cooking and kitchen safety
 - Grocery shopping
 - Budgeting
 - House chores
 - Home maintenance
 - Time management
 - Using Dial-a-Lift
 - Community safety
 - Grooming and personal care



+ Travel Training

- Our program teaches students to travel in the community as independently as possible



- Students ride the Intercity Transit system and learn how to read a bus schedule, route planning, and bus safety

+ Recreation and Leisure

The Transition Program allows students to plan their own recreation and leisure activities including:

- Lunches out in the community
- Working out, sports and swimming at the YMCA
- Visits to local parks
- Exploring the Capitol Campus
- Bowling
- Trips to the Capitol Mall
- Visiting the Library
- Exploring local businesses
- Visits to local museums



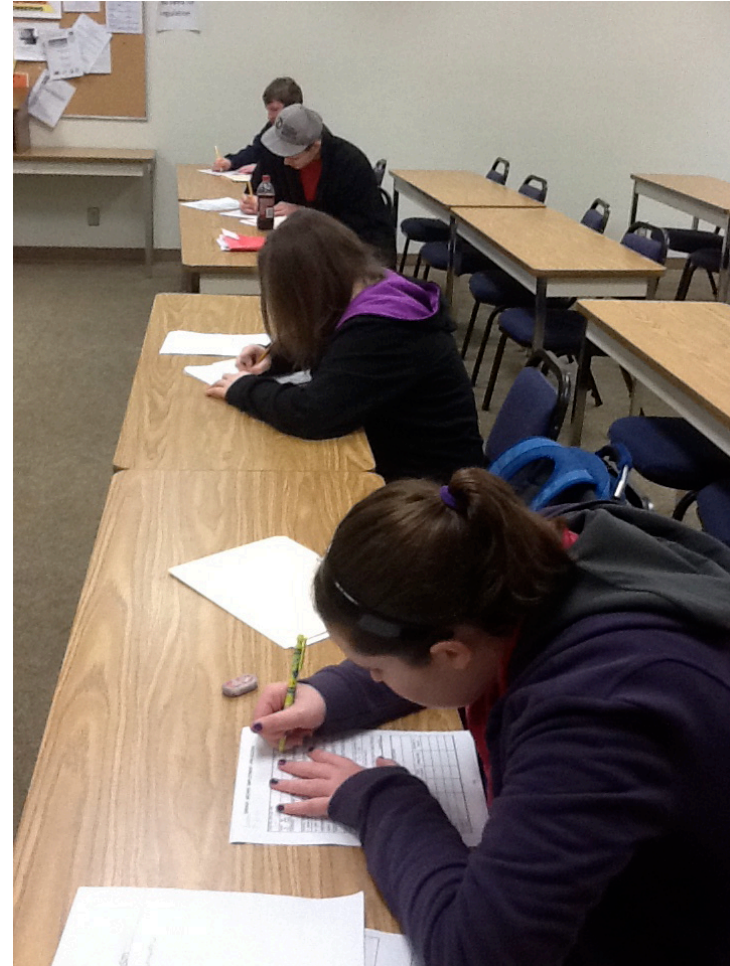
+ Academics



- We teach academics based on students' individualized goals and needs in community settings
- Academics are focused around real-life application and adult living skills, making use of assistive technology devices when appropriate

+ Community Classes

- Students have the option of attending various Adult Education classes taught around the community such as:
 - A weekly Relationship Class which teaches relationship skills for adults in the community
 - Morning group academics class taught by our lead teacher at SPSCC
 - A vocational class funded by Thurston County DD at SPSCC. This class focuses on interview and job skills



Students working in our SPSCC classroom

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