

MOVING INTO ADULTHOOD TRANSITION INFORMATION

PREPARING FOR ADULTHOOD

As students move into KS4 at Ramsden Hall Academy, they begin our transition programme which works with all students from years 9 – 11. At the heart of all our work is planning for the next steps for our young people and we feel it is never too early to start this work. With the Children and Families Act 2014 and the SEN Code of Practice in mind, we support young people making informed decisions about their futures.

EHCP AND THE ANNUAL REVIEW

- Each year every student's EHCP is reviewed at an annual review coordinated by their tutor.
- During this review we look at the progress the student has made over the past year, review the interim targets and the next steps required.
 - From year 9 onwards, we also discuss their Post 16 Transition Plan.
- In the year 11 Annual Review (Transition Review) the Transition Manager (Mandy McIver) will attend. The emphasis is on post 16 plans and to ensure adequate support is put in place in their post 16 provision.

As part of the Transition Review process, a Preparing for Adulthood Advisor from the LEA attends to offer further support.

MOVING INTO ADULTHOOD PLAN

The local authority and the Transition Manager shares the information with providers to help develop appropriate provision for when the young person reaches 16 and beyond.

The school has, and is developing, good links with colleges and post 16 providers in Essex.

We also provide opportunities for work-based learning both within the school environment and with local employers.

SCHOOL LEAVING AGE

In 2014, the school leaving age was increased to 18 years old. The options available after year 11 include Further Education College and other providers that can meet the needs of the young person to continue in education. These options are discussed as part of the annual review process from Year 9 onwards and we support students and families to visit other provisions on open days and through individual appointments.



We encourage and support students and their families to make applications to their chosen provision as early as possible.

CURRICULUM FOR TRANSITION STUDENTS

From Year 10 onwards at Ramsden Hall, the school curriculum is focused heavily on preparation for adult life.

At the heart of this is the long term hopes and dreams the students have for themselves. In order to support them in identifying these, we offer a range of experiences. Where appropriate, we offer work placements and alternative provisions which students can attend to support their in-school curriculum.

We attend college open days and career fairs and invite outside speakers into school to help and inspire students make informed choices. We focus on developing independent living skills for all students relevant to their future aspirations. These include: travel training, exploring the local community, leisure activities and living skills. We accredit this work through the Prince's Trust and Asdan.

We promote being healthy through Lifeskills lessons and access to our PE curriculum. Residential students are supported in healthy living through the Preparing for Adulthood Programme.

We help providers understand the capabilities of our students by communication between the Transition Manager in school, LEA and providers.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- For further information on careers, please contact our Lifeskills lead teacher, Sandra Barrett <u>sbarrett@ramsdenhall.org.uk</u>
- For further information on post-16 options, please contact our transition manager, amciver@ramsdenhall.org.uk
- Information can also be found at:

https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/