

# Preparing for the Road Ahead: Helping Students Transition to College

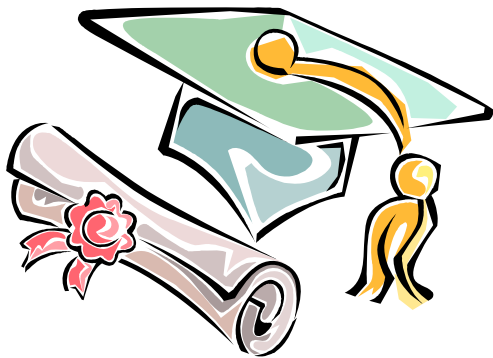
Feeling excited as well as a little bit fearful about the prospect of going to college? You are not alone. These emotions are pretty common for students and family members as college becomes a reality. During this critical transition, preparation and planning are essential.

Discussion and explanations about the differences between IDEA and ADA law, two- and four-year colleges, and high school and college will help ensure a successful start for students at the secondary level.

All participants will attend the opening keynote address. This will be followed by separate workshop sessions specifically designed for students and for family members/educators.

## Participants in this conference will:

- engage in the interactive sessions focused on the students' primary role as a self-advocate;
- learn the survival skills necessary for college, including time management, and organizational and study skills;
- have their questions answered about the academic demands and social aspects of college;
- obtain a manual of resources to assist them in the successful transition from high school to college; and
- network with college students from SCSU, and representatives from the CT college system.



## Date/Time/Location:

Friday, May 12, 2006  
8:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.  
Southern CT State University  
Adanti Student Center, New Haven

## Keynote Presenter:

LeDerick R. Horne  
Horne & Associates, LLC  
Somerset, New Jersey

## Session Presenters:

LeDerick R. Horne  
Suzanne Tucker, Coordinator,  
Deborah Fairchild and Kelly Mann,  
Assistant Coordinators/Disability Specialists  
Disability Resource Center, SCSU  
Bo Zamfir, Director,  
Center for Adaptive Technology, SCSU  
Panel of College Students with Disabilities  
Southern CT State University

Patricia Anderson, Ph.D., Consultant  
CT State Department of Education

Toni Page, Director  
Student Disability Services  
Gateway Community College

## Alternative to CEUs:

SERC will not offer CEUs for this activity. After the conference, SERC will provide participants a **Certificate of Contact Hours**. A participant may qualify for continuing education credit from his or her district. It is necessary to contact the district prior to the conference.

## Registration Fee:

\$10.00 per student  
\$20.00 per family member or professional  
Payable to Rensselaer at Hartford  
Payment is due upon  
confirmation of participation.

## Audience:

Two Hundred Fifty (250)  
high school students, family members,  
secondary general and special educators,  
transition specialists, integrated student support  
services professionals, and  
state and local agency representatives.

## Questions/ Special Needs:

Contact: Leticia Garcia Guerra  
Senior Project Assistant  
(860) 632-1485, ext. 233

Register By:  
April 26, 2006



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Family Members

Educators

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Registration Information: The closing date for submitting applications is April 26, 2006. Please return application to SERC, Transition Initiative, 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457-1520. Participants will be selected on a "first come, first served" basis with consideration to regional distribution and to teams that include student participation. Shortly after the closing date, written confirmation of enrollment will be sent to the school contact person responsible for communicating with school personnel and students. Parents will receive confirmation of enrollment at their home address. Upon acceptance, the school contact person and/or parent(s) attending on their own will receive an invoice covering total registration fees. Direct content questions to Karen Stigliano, Consultant, ext. 317, and registration questions to Leticia Garcia Guerra, Senior Project Assistant, ext. 233, at (860) 632-1485.

APPLICATION FORM: Transition to College (06-20-013-Flyer/Transition)lgg (Please Print Clearly.)

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

District/Region School/Program

Indicate Number of Personnel Attending: (Please duplicate registration form, if needed.)

Name (Contact Person) Work Phone Home Phone

Home Address City/State Zip Code

Position/Role Email (Please Print Clearly.)

Name Work Phone Home Phone

Home Address City/State Zip Code

Position/Role Email (Please Print Clearly.)

Indicate Number of Student Reservations: (Please print the students' names for name badges.)

Student Name

Student Name

Student Name

Student Name

Please check if an interpreter and/or disability-related accommodation is needed. Specify:

PARENT REGISTRATION

Parent Name Daytime Phone Home Phone

Home Address City/State Zip Code

Email (Please Print Clearly.) My son/daughter will be attending with me.

My child receives services in the following School District: School Name:

Student Name

Please check if an interpreter and/or disability-related accommodation is needed. Specify: