# STUDENT ACCESS OFFICE

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**Making the Transition from High** 

## Making the Transition from High School to College: Know the Differences!!

### **High School**

### **Special Education Model:**

 Your special education teacher or other high school personnel will seek you out for services and let you know what you are eligible for

### Where you get services:

 Special Education, Resource Room

#### **Documentation:**

- Coordinated by school psychologist
- School develops IEP from

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## **Knowing Your Options**

#### **Programs vs. Support Services**

 Support Services are the resources available at no cost for students with disabilities. Support services include core accommodations, such as extending testing time. Accommodations are required by law. Other examples of accommodations include sign language interpreters, course materials in accessible formats, accessible parking and classrooms.

All colleges are required by law to provide accommodations to students with documented disabilities.

 Programs are specifically designed for students with disabilities and provide more in-

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# While still in high school you need to:

### 1. Find out about your disability:

- □ Talk to you parents, high school special education teacher, or guidance counselor to learn about your specific disabilities
- Understand how your disability might affect you in college

# 4. Contact ACCES (Adult Career and Continuing Education Services-VR) or CBVH (Commission for the Blind & Visually Handicapped)

Office of Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with
Disabilities
Garden City District Office
711 Stewart Avenue, Suite 4
Garden City, NY 11530
(516) 227-6858
(516) 542-2012

#### What can ACCES or CBVH offer if you meet their eligibility requirements?

- □ An assessment for vocational rehabilitation
- □ A written plan for reaching your career goals (IPE)
- Counseling, guidance, and work-related placement
- Vocational training & education that improves your chances for employment upon graduation. This may include payment for tuition, books, transportation costs, etc
- □ Interpreter & reader services
- Orientation and mobility training for those who are blind or low vision
- Occupation licenses, tools, equipment, and initial stocks and supplies
- Computer software & hardware
- Personal assistance services
- □ Telecommunications, sensory, and other aids and devices

#### 5. Select and Plan College Choices

- Select the colleges you'd consider attending and plan a visit.
- Investigate what services each college provides through their disability support office or other office that handles disability accommodations.
- Match your academic interests (major) with colleges in which you are interested.
- Apply—Good luck!

# **Making the Transition from High School to College:**

# Congratulations! You've been accepted to a college! Now what?

1. Register with the college's disability services office or program. Remember you need to: