

A Parent's Guide to the Postsecondary Transition Plan (PTP)

What is the PTP?

- The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has developed a web-based Postsecondary Transition Plan (PTP) that will assist school districts to document the post high school transition requirements while meeting individual student needs. In Wisconsin, state law requires transition planning to begin for your child at age 14.

How will this application be used during an IEP meeting to create a transition plan?

- The PTP application will guide the IEP team through the transition process by asking a set of questions. The PTP will be done during the IEP team meeting with input from all team members.

Will the completed PTP look the same as the prior transition services form?

- No, the completed printed PTP form may look different than copy you received from your school district in the past, but will have the same content. The PTP report will print as an easy to read document with the specific information about your child outlined with bolded headings for each step.

How can you be a valuable member in the transition planning process for your child?

- To prepare for your child's IEP consider transition services for your child, please visit the PTP Demonstration Site at <http://www2.dpi.state.wi.us/PTPDemo/Pages/DistrictMenu.aspx>. Parents and youth can create a draft PTP to bring to the IEP meeting.
- As you move through the application you will see blue "**Learn More**" buttons. When you click on the "**Learn More**" button it will open in a new window where definitions, examples, and resources are available that will help you plan and prepare for each step before the IEP meeting.
- To help identify possible careers and goals for after high school, the PTP uses the Wisconsin Career Pathways model. The PTP identifies nationally recognized career clusters and related pathways. As a parent and member of the IEP team, you will help select one career cluster and pathway that describes your child's preferences, interests, and strengths. One example of a career cluster is Agriculture and a pathway is Plant Systems.

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A Student's Guide to the Postsecondary Transition Plan (PTP)

During high school you have many decisions to make to plan for your future. First, you will decide the type of work you want to do and where you want to work after high school. Second, you will look at options for learning the necessary skills to do this work. It may be on-the-job training or further education in a college setting. Third, you will explore different transition skills that will prepare you for the adult world. The PTP Application was designed to assist you and other members of your IEP team to help you prepare for your future. Below you will find more information about the PTP Application to help you understand its purpose and how it can assist you with meeting your future goals.

What is the PTP?

- The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has developed a youth friendly web-based Postsecondary Transition Plan (PTP) to promote your involvement in the transition planning process. The PTP will be completed during your IEP team meeting. It will help focus the discussion around your future goals, preferences, interests, and strengths.



How you can prepare and be involved in the Postsecondary Transition Plan?

- Attend your IEP meeting: It is all about you so be there!
- Check out the Demonstration site at <http://www2.dpi.state.wi.us/PTPDemo/Pages/DistrictMenu.aspx> and create your own draft transition plan and bring it to your IEP meeting.
- Click on the "Learn More" buttons to find definitions, resources, and examples for each step in the transition plan.
- Complete the transition assessment given by your teacher and discuss the results.
- Explore career clusters and pathways by creating a free student account at www.wicareerpathways.org and discuss future education/training options with school staff and your family.
- Identify your areas of need to work on while still in high school.

Will the transition page look the same as last year?

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