



ATTENTION:

Parents and Caregivers of Youth with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or 504 Accommodation Plan

Kingston City School District in collaboration with the Kingston Special Education Parent Group, cordially invite you to attend a series of free information sessions on important topics affecting students who are planning for their transition to life after high school.

Held in the High School AUDION (Room 517) from 6:30pm-8:30pm

Session 1: **Tuesday, February 16th** (Snow Date: Wednesday, February 17th)

Pathways to Graduation

This presentation will offer parents an overview on the requirements that need to be met in order to graduate with a diploma as well as a review of the different types of diploma options available for students with disabilities. An introduction to a new exiting credential of work readiness will also be shared.

Session 2: **Tuesday, March 15th** (Snow Date: Wednesday, March 16th)

Understanding the NYS Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential.

*This presentation is especially recommended for parents of children with an IEP in 8th grade or higher, to learn about the requirements for an important exiting credential that students can earn upon exit from school which recognizes a student's preparation skills and demonstration of knowledge and experience needed for entry-level employment opportunities. The Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential which is awarded only to students that have taken the NYS Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) will also be reviewed. (*Please note- this session is not applicable to students with a 504 Plan.)*

Session 3: **Tuesday, April 12th** (Snow Date: Wednesday, April 13)

Preparing for the Transition to College

This presentation is designed to assist parents of young adults with an IEP or 504 Plan in understanding the differences that can be expected as students move from high school to a college setting. Topics include: laws which govern services at the college level; the process to access academic accommodations, disability documentation requirements; the changing role of parents; and tips on what students can do now to gain the necessary skills needed for a successful college experience.

Session 4: **Tuesday, May 17th**

Transition Planning for Families - Preparing for Life after High School

This presentation will provide parents with information on the school to post-school transition planning process. Families are essential partners with the school district and collaboration with the Committee on Special Education (CSE) team is extremely important to fully understand considerations for successful career development and transition to adulthood. The workshop will help parents to think about: your child today, your child in the future and the support required to help your child achieve his/her long-term goals.

~ Presentations provided by the Hudson Valley Special Education Parent Center ~