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|   Guideposts for Success: Believe in YOURSELF!! |
|  1. School Preparation
 | 2.Youth Development & Leadership | 3.Career Preparation | 4. Connecting Activities |  5. Family Involvement |
| Preparing for post- secondary life includes gaining knowledge, learning skills, and developing a plan for college Or technical school Or job experience | Career assessments (questions to help identify your job/career interests ) | Developing self-advocacy skills (expressing your learning needs and style to others) | Connected to programs, services, activities, and supports that help gain access to post school options | Have high expectations that build upon your strengths , interests and help you achieve independence |
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| Creating a safe learning environment that is supported by highly qualified staff who are supportive of your goals and dreams | On-the-job training/intern experience (paid or unpaid), including community service that matches your skills and interests | Mentoring opportunities which will develop leadership skills | • mental and physical health services• transportation• housing• tutoring• financial planning and management | Understand you and your disability to help you be successful in your education, work and your daily life. |
| Things to Remember  | Don’t Be a Statistic!! | All Youth Face Challenges | Practice, Practice, Practice!  |  Create a Support Team |