

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What are Transition Services?

Transition services includes individually tailored classes and services that bring students, educators, businesses, parents, and the community together to assist students in preparing for employment.

2. How do I access services?

You can access services through your school transition team. You can also open a case with CMH, MRS or private pay in certain circumstances. Excel will gladly help guide you through this process!

3. What are some of the opportunities that are available through transition services?

For people wishing to explore the transition into employment, we offer various assessments in real world environments that assist in identifying personal goals, strengths, interests, work skills, and the potential for successful employment.

4. What are the benefits of participation in Excel's transition services?

Clear recommendations are made for career preparation and realistic employment options, utilizing the Occupational Network (ONET) for optimal exploring and job matching. Excel is committed to providing true individualized services.

MISSION STATEMENT

To promote choice, self-reliance, and full participation in community life through personalized vocational and support services.

WHO IS EXCEL?

Excel Employment Options is a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing employment among the 56 million Americans with different abilities.

Our goal is to work with all members of the community – including job seekers, service providers, government agencies, advocacy groups, existing organizations and employers – to eliminate barriers to employment and bridge the gap between job seekers and employers.

We pride ourselves on providing quality, individualized services designed around the people we support and their families since 1994. We are CARF accredited and contract with Michigan Rehabilitation Services, Livingston County Community Mental Health, MORC and CLS.



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For more information on services please visit excelemp.org



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In order to provide enhanced services Excel has partnered with the following organizations:

Power to the Grid – powertothegrid.com

DEBS – debsllc.org

Rans Consulting and Advocacy LLC – totallysocialasd.com



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TRANSITION SERVICES

Connecting You to Your Future



CURRENT SERVICES OFFERED

- Community Based Assessments
- Career Exploration and Job Shadowing
- Vocational Profiles
- Job Placement
- Job Coaching
- Job Follow Along Services

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- IEP Collaboration and Consultation
- Advocacy
- Peer Specialist
- Accessing Transportation Training
- Accessing Community Resources Training
- Community Integration Consultation

All services made accessible in American Sign Language (ASL).

CURRENT CLASSES OFFERED

These classes will be offered in the spring, fall and winter semesters. For a full calendar of events contact our office or visit our website, excelemp.org. All classes and time frames can be customized to meet your desired outcomes.

Class	Length	Description
Soft Skills	Eight 1-hour sessions	Social skills for employment and life.
Job Readiness	Eight 1-hour sessions	Employment preparedness includes creating professional resumes, filling out applications, employment search and interview practice sessions.
SHARE	Sixteen 2-hour sessions	Sexual Health and Relationship Education.
Financial Management	Eight 1-hour sessions	Comparative Shopping, Consumer Fraud & Laws Establishing Credit, Getting Consumer Help, How to Handle Money, Interest, Mail Order Problems, Poor Credit Rating, Reading Ads, Warranty – Any Good?, What Am I Worth?
Slice of Life <i>available Fall 2016</i>	Eight 1-hour sessions	Internet Safety, Accessing the community, community safety and resources, budgeting, Nutrition
Transition Employability Skills	Sixteen 2-hour sessions	Employability Skills: Creating professional resumes, portfolios, cover letters, completing applications, references, job search, managing relationships in the workplace, disability disclosure, Interviewing skills, Comprehensive Vocational Profile, Career Exploration and Job Shadowing.

THE JOB, EDUCATION, TRAINING (JETS) SUMMER PROGRAM

Ten Weeks - June to August

This Social Skills and Employability Skills training is a combination of class work and community integration. The goal for this program is to better prepare students to transition into employment.

