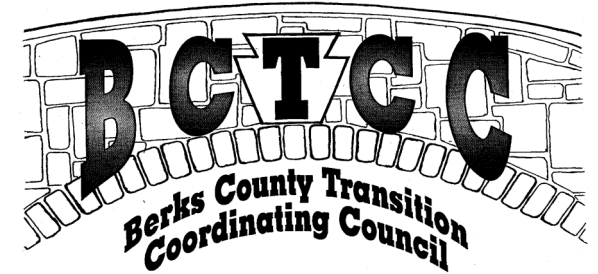


## BCTCC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Post Graduate Follow-up Survey of Special Education students to identify outcomes and needs. Survey results guide BCTCC planning.
- Summer Work Experience for Special Education students to participate in a 6-8 week supervised summer employment experience.
- Transition Expo to provide informal opportunity for transitioning students and families to connect with educational, recreational and other community service providers.
- Transition House, a community-based program to teach job readiness and community living skills to transitioning high school students.
- ACT NOW (Assess, Choose, Try-out Now), a program for students to participate in community-based job shadowing, enrollment in one-credit college class, and career assessments. Training events for families and resources for school districts also provided.
- Cross Systems Assessment Tool to provide progress monitoring and service planning for transitioning students.
- Transition Academy, a day-long immersion in a college environment, including classroom experiences and shadowing of currently-enrolled college students with disabilities.
- Employability Expo, a day-long event highlighting diverse employment topics for students and employers including job readiness and career-oriented break out sessions, mock interviews with local employers, exhibitors, keynote speaker, luncheon and panel discussions.
- Transition Packet, transition-related resources on CD, given to all students nearing graduation.



## MISSION

To plan and facilitate the successful movement of students with disabilities from school programs to adult life.

Service  
Collaboration  
Commitment  
Achievement

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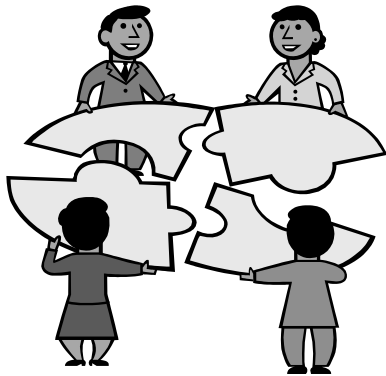
## GOAL

Each student with a disability will achieve his/her maximum potential for inclusion in all aspects of adult life.

## BACKGROUND & AUTHORITY

In 1989, the Pennsylvania Departments of Education, Labor and Industry, and Public Welfare signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) pledging cooperation... “to enable students with disabilities to receive a full array of transition services.”

In 1994, the Berks County Transition Coordinating Council (BCTCC) was formed to address transition issues at the local level. BCTCC has become the primary source for promoting effective transition programming within the Berks County community.



## BCTCC MEMBERSHIP

The Berks County Transition Coordinating Council is a partnership of consumers, students and their families, educators, service providers, employers, post-secondary institutions and the Berks County community.

BCTCC meets bi-monthly during the school year.

## COMMITTEES

BCTCC Committees work to address the mission, goals and objectives of the council.

Current committees are:

- Assistive Technology
- Business & Industry
- Executive
- Fiscal
- Interagency Collaboration
- Membership & Public Relations
- Post Secondary
- School to Career Liaison
- Tracking/Follow-up Survey
- By Laws

## A GOAL ORIENTED PROCESS

**The objectives of the Berks County Transition Coordinating Council are:**

- Ongoing networking to improve the transition process and outcomes
- Use of data-driven process to guide effective transition planning
- Promote effective collaboration among students, families, educators, agencies and employers
- Empower students to set and achieve life goals
- Create school to career initiatives
- To facilitate use of assistive technology and universal design