

Registration Form
Transition Conference 2009

Please complete & mail this form with your **\$30** registration fee by **Dec. 1st**. Late registration is **\$45** and will be accepted only through **Dec. 15th**. Hurry! Spaces fill up quickly! Check Amt.: _____

Name _____

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Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Do you require any special accommodations including translation? _____

Please select your choice by course number for each session:

Session 1 (1-7): _____

Session 2 (8-14): _____

Session 3 (15-20): _____

Session 4 (21-26): _____

Make checks payable to:

Transition Task Force - Full Circle

Please mail your check & registration form to:

RCEB

Attn: Transition Task Force

2151 Salvio Street, #365

Concord, CA 94520

Parent Scholarships Available:

Limited to One Per Family

Must request by Dec. 1st

For more information, please call:

(925) 691-2425

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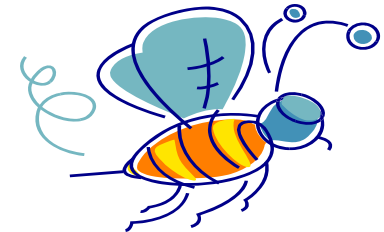
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**Contra Costa County
Transition Task Force
Presents**

**The Annual Transition
Conference**

Tuesday, January 6, 2009

**Transition:
Be Involved...
Be Informed...
Be Inspired!**



Hosted at:

**Diablo Valley College
321 Golf Club Rd
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523**

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Welcome to the 2009 Transition Conference!

*Sponsored by the
Contra Costa County Transition Task Force
and*

- Contra Costa County Office of Education
- Contra Costa SELPA
- Developmental Disabilities Council of Contra Costa
- Independent Living Resource
- Mt. Diablo Unified School District
- Regional Center of the East Bay
- San Ramon Valley USD/SELPA
- West Contra Costa Unified School District

Parents & Professionals:

Don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to learn, network and be inspired! This year's motivational keynote will knock your socks off! Your registration fee includes a continental breakfast, buffet lunch and enrollment in 4 breakout sessions in a wide variety of courses covering these main topics:

- * Law
- * Education
- * Employment
- * Benefits
- * Mental Health
- * Living Options
- * Relationships
- * Parent Supports

Resource Room:

During conference breaks, visit the **Resource Room** in the **Student Union** to gather information about resources in our community.

FREE & Accessible Parking:

Use the main lot at the Golf Club Road entrance on the north side of the DVC Campus.

The Program

7:45-8:30am: Continental Breakfast & Registration

8:45-9:45am: **Keynote Speaker:** Michael Pritchard, Educator and Youth Advocate, Eleven Nationally Recognized PBS Character Education Programs. TEAM - Together Everyone and Anyone Matters

Choose a course number from each session and complete the registration form on the reverse side:

Session 1: 10:00am-11:00am

1. **The State of Mental Health Services & How to Cope:** *John Light, MFT, Contra Costa County Mental Health; Diana Kurlander, MSW, Program Director, Contra Costa Transition Age Youth (TAY) Program; Teresa Pasquini, Board Member, NAMI Contra Costa*
2. **STAND Healthy Relationships:** *Barbara Bentley, Volunteer, STAND*
3. **Social Skills for Success - Autism & Asperger's:** *Annette Blackman, PhD, LMFT, Contra Costa County Mental Health*
4. **Respect for All - Addressing LGBTQ Issues in School:** *Julie Lienert, Executive Director, Ally Action*
5. **Supporting Families Through the Transition Years:** *Joan Crook, Program Director, CARE Parent Network & Mary Brett, Case Management Supervisor, Regional Center of the East Bay*
6. **Living Options for Regional Center Consumers:** *Christine Hansen, Case Management Supervisor, Regional Center of the East Bay*
7. **Understanding and Accessing Employment Opportunities for Non-Regional Center Consumers:** *Carol Ash, Supervisor, Department of Rehabilitation*

Session 2: 11:10am-12:10pm

8. **Accessible Adventures - Opening the Door to the Great Outdoors:** *Diane Poslosky, Executive Director & Cheyenne Berry, Youth LEAD Program Manager, Environmental Traveling Companions (ETC)*
9. **Art as Vocational Training:** *Pat Coleman, Executive Director, The NIAD Center for Art and Disabilities*
10. **How to Get There - Mobility Through Public Transportation:** *Marie Knutson, Community Relations & Maria Portan, ADA Specialist, Contra Costa County Connection*
11. **Providing Socialization & Sexuality Education to People with Developmental Disabilities:** *Margaret Madams, Sr. Regional Director of Community Services & Education, Planned Parenthood - Shasta Diablo*
12. **Community College Panel - Providing Services for Students with Disabilities:** *Yasuko Sue Abe, Manager, DSPS, & Alissa Scanlin, DSPS Instructor, Contra Costa College; Francis Moy, DSPS Coordinator/Transfer Center Director, Los Medanos College; Terry Armstrong, Dean of Counseling & Student Support Services, Diablo Valley College*
13. **Limited Conservatorship for Adults with Disabilities:** *Deborah M. Wilhelmus, Esq.*
14. **Understanding and Accessing Employment Opportunities for Regional Center Consumers:** *Laurie Mortensen, Rehabilitation Counselor, Department of Rehabilitation*

Lunch Break: 12:10pm-1:10pm

Session 3: 1:20pm-2:20pm

15. **Community Integration 101 - Navigating School and Life After School With a Disability:** *Douglas Dildine, Transition Services Coordinator, Independent Living Resource*
16. **Transition Planning for Students with Emotional Needs:** *Candace Hendra, LCSW & Elizabeth Wilson Palmer, Transition Specialist, Marchus School, CCC Office of Education*
17. **Transitioning Technology from High School to Adulthood:** *Valerie Vivona, Project Consultant, Assistive Technology Network*
18. **Transition to Adult Programs - Solving The Mysteries:** *Ian Bremner, Executive Director, RES; Penny Musante, Program Director, ALIVE; Carol McCrary, Director, Community Access Services; Michele Ternes, Director of Supported Employment, Commercial Support Services; Teri Demmon, Program Coordinator, Adults with Disabilities, Mt. Diablo Adult Education*
19. **Student Portfolios - A Collaborative Tool Supporting Successful Transitions:** *Renee A. Dawson, PhD, Assistant Director of Diagnostic Center North*
20. **What Does it Mean if You Don't Pass the CAHSEE?:** *Laraine Domenico, Program Specialist, Contra Costa SELPA*

Session 4: 2:30pm-3:30pm

21. **How to Get, Keep & Live With Supplemental Security Income (SSI):** *Douglas Dildine, Transition Services Coordinator & Claire Yragui, CWIC, WIPA Project Director, Independent Living Resource*
22. **TOPS - A New Program for Adults with Aspergers, High Functioning Autism & Other Related Disorders:** *Teri Demmon, Program Coordinator & Karen Lingenfelter, Lead Teacher/Adults with Disabilities Program, Mt. Diablo Adult Education*
23. **Getting Ready for the Joys, Challenges, Rights & Responsibilities of Adulthood:** *Sister Marygrace Puchae, SSJ, East Bay Services*
24. **Framing A Future (FAF) - A Self-Directed Tool Supporting Life Planning with Students Who Use AAC (Augmentative/Alternative Communication):** *Christine Toomey, Education Specialist, The Bridge School; Judith Lunger-Bergh, AAC Specialist*
25. **Housing Options:** *Darin Lounds, Executive Director, Housing Consortium of the East Bay*
26. **Mental Health Issues in the Schools:** *Sherry Burke, EdD & Carolyn Heaney, EdD, WCCUSD*