

This presentation will give participants an overview of the "iTransition: It's All About Me!" curriculum as well as access to learning objectives, lesson plans, and resource materials for each section. This free online postsecondary education curriculum is available to anyone with Internet access and is sponsored by PEPNet (Postsecondary Education Programs Network), a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, and the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). "iTransition" consists of four highly interactive units that can stand alone or work together. The first section is called "Career Interests and Education Choices: It's My Plan!" Through self-assessment activities, the four lessons in this unit help students learn more about themselves and their career interests. Activities guide students to explore different college and career training choices and create a timeline for postsecondary planning. The lessons are further enhanced with signed video clips. At the conclusion of each lesson, a personalized transition summary is generated and can be used in transition planning.

In part 2, "First Year College Success: Be the One!", students move through a fictional college campus on a four-day "campus orientation", learning about campus departments and services. In the process, they also learn about differences between high school and college necessary paperwork and documentation, the high expectations for college students and a variety of tips for life as a college freshman.

"Essential Skills for College Living: It's My Life!" the third section of the training, uses three students as examples while teaching skills in time management, studying, goal setting, and working with postsecondary disability service providers. Examples of deaf and hard-of-hearing students in different types of colleges demonstrate diverse ways to solve problems, identify resources, and strategize for success in college.

The last section, "eFolio: My Online Portfolio!" presents a tool where students can create a transition portfolio. With diverse types of secure online portfolios, eFolios offer students and professionals a chance to organize and share their interests, goals, school and community activities, skills, resume and college planning. Students can organize transition plans with documents, images, audio, video, links, and examples of their high school accommodations, accomplishments and achievements.

This presentation will include a PowerPoint presentation which explores and explains the major components of the online curriculum. With Internet access, the presenter will demonstrate how participants can access this transition curriculum, locate teacher resources, and show highlights from each of the units. In addition, the presenter will demonstrate how teachers can use eFolios to help students create transition portfolios.