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www.txddc.state.tx.us/resources/publications/college.asp

A 19-minute video, “The Next Step,” that presents personal stories of five Texans with disabilities who enrolled in colleges, universities or technical schools, is online at www.txddc.state.tx.us/resources/publications/NextStepVideo.asp.



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All website links current August 2011.

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Resources on Preparing for Higher Education

College Planning & Preparation for Students with Disabilities

“Preparing for College”

www.ncld.org/college-aamp-work/post-high-school-options/transitioning-to-college/preparing-for-college

Contains information on understanding the demands of college, academic preparation, exploring college environments, obtaining supports and services on campus, and questions to ask concerning services and supports.

“Getting into College: What Students with Disabilities Want to Know”

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/college-application-process

College Planning for Students with Disabilities

www.educationquest.org/college-planning-for-students-with-disabilities

Addresses the importance of self-advocacy, considerations in the admissions process, steps to follow once you select a college, and your legal rights and responsibilities. Good for students and parents.

Information for Students with Disabilities:

www.educationquest.org/11th-12th-grade-students/information-for-students-with-disabilities

A Practical Guide for People with Disabilities Who Want to Go to College

http://tucollaborative.org/pdfs/education/College_Guide.pdf

Includes picking a school, locating supports, managing your disability and finding a job.

Secondary Transition Guide

<http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us/special.ed/guidance/transition.html>

Guidance on transition services for Texans in special education.

“College: Continuing and Higher Education”

www.wrightslaw.com/info/college.index.htm

Provides links on planning for higher education.

Going to College: A Resource for Students with Disabilities

www.going-to-college.org

This website has three sections:

My Place: Use your strengths, learning style and interests to set college goals. **Campus Life:** What to expect in college and what professors will expect. Also tips for good grades, accommodations and using technology. **Planning for College:** What you can do now to prepare for and apply to college.

Preparing for College: An Online Tutorial

www.washington.edu/doit/Brochures/Academics/cprep.html

Guide for teens with disabilities on assessing skills, interests and potential majors/careers; selecting a school; financial aid; technology; etc.

The HEATH Resource Center

www.heath.gwu.edu

Online clearinghouse on higher education for individuals with disabilities. It has information on disability support services, policies, adaptations, financial aid, transition, accessing college campuses, technical schools, and other training. See the menu listings for “Modules” and “Resources.”

Postsecondary Education and Students with Intellectual, Developmental and Other Disabilities

<http://ici.umn.edu/products/impact/233>

Explores increasing college participation by students with disabilities, especially those with intellectual disabilities. Includes personal stories, planning for college, supports, and tips for parents and teachers.

“Chart Your Own Future: How Your Individualized Education Program (IEP) Can Help”

www.pacer.org/parent/php/PHP-c113.pdf

Discusses how students can control decision making and planning for education, employment and housing. Includes resources for students and families on goal setting and getting involved in the IEP process.

“Parents’ Guide to Transition of Their Adult Child to College, Career, and Community”

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/parents-guide-to-transition/

“Parenting Postsecondary Students with Disabilities: Becoming the Mentor, Advocate, and Guide Your Young Adult Needs”

www.ncset.org/publications/viewdesc.asp?id=208

Materials for Parents who Have a Student with Intellectual Disabilities

www.thinkcollege.net/for-families/for-families

Includes the parents’ role and a transition checklist.

Postsecondary Resources

www.pacer.org/tatra/resources/postsecondary.asp

Pacer Center (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights).

“ADA Q & A: Section 504 & Postsecondary Education”

www.pacer.org/publications/adaqa/504.asp

“College Preparation Resources for Students”

www.washington.edu/doi/Resources/college_prep.html

Includes links on preparing for and succeeding in college and transitioning from two-year to four-year colleges.

“College Resources and Planning: A Guide for Students with Disabilities”

www.ric.edu/uap/publications/CollegeGuide.pdf

“Improving Access, Transition, and Success: Meeting the Challenges Facing College Students with Disabilities”

http://occr1.ed.uiuc.edu/Newsletter/2007/fall/fall2007_2.asp

Includes barriers students with disabilities face and ways to improve access.

The Next Step (video)

www.txddc.state.tx.us/resources/publications/NextStepVideo.asp

Presents stories of five Texans with disabilities who attended colleges, universities or technical schools. It is designed to challenge students with disabilities, families and educators to consider higher education. It is online and on DVD in English and Spanish. (By the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities.)

Discussion and Video Guide:

www.txddc.state.tx.us/resources/publications/guidecontents.asp

Succeeding in College and at Work: Students with Disabilities Tell Their Stories (video)

http://adaptiveenvironments.org/neada/site/student_videos

Presents four videos of real-life strategies for school and getting jobs, including self-reporting a disability and negotiating accommodations.

From Where I Sit (video)

www.calstate.edu/accessibility/resources/videos.shtml

Video series of eight students with disabilities in California who share their experiences in college classrooms. Includes teachers’ viewpoints.

College Planning for Specific Disabilities

What About College? Resources on Specific Disabilities

<http://nichcy.org/schoolage/transitionadult/education#specific>

Think College: College Options for People with Intellectual Disabilities

www.thinkcollege.net

www.facebook.com/thinkcollege

Resources for students, parents and professionals.

Preparing for College: Tips for Students with HFA/Asperger's Syndrome

<http://spectrumville.posterous.com/preparing-for-college-tips-for-students-with>

“The Student with a Brain Injury: Achieving Goals for Higher Education”

www.brainline.org/content/2008/10/student-brain-injury-achieving-goals-higher-education.html

“A Nuts and Bolts Guide to College Success for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students”

<http://sunsite.utk.edu/cod/pec/products/2002nuts-bolts.pdf>

“Off to College: Tips for Students with Visual Impairments”

www.pacer.org/parent/php/php-c170.pdf

How to find the best school and visiting their office for students with disabilities, determining if accommodations are needed, communicating with teachers about one's disability, getting books and other materials, and orienting oneself around the campus.

“A Postsecondary Resource Guide for Students with Psychiatric Disabilities”

www.partnerstx.org/Resources/Transition/PDF/PostsecondaryResources_Studentswith_Psychiatric_Disabilities.pdf

Transition to College or Work

www.nclد.org/college-aamp-work

Transition to college and/or work for individuals with learning disabilities

Checklist compares high school to college:

www.nclد.org/images/stories/Publications/Forms-Checklists-Flyers-Handouts/checklist-transitioningfromhs-college.pdf

“Selecting a College for Students with Learning Disabilities or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder”

www.ucp.org/ucp_channel.doc.cfm/1/12/71/71-71/4509

Parent Advisory Brief: Transition to College — Strategic Planning to Ensure Success for Students With Learning Disabilities

www.nclد.org/images/stories/Publications/AdvocacyBriefs/TransitiontoCollege/TransitiontoCollege.pdf

Discusses IDEA, Section 504, student rights/responsibilities. Has a checklist starting at age 12.

Learning Disabilities Online

www.ldonline.org/indepth/college

www.ldonline.org/indepth/transition

www.ldonline.org/article/6130

College planning and transition.

“Texas Colleges/Universities that Provide Services for Students with Learning Disabilities”

Learning Disabilities Association of Texas
1011 W. 31st Street, Austin TX 78705
(512) 458-8234; 1-800-604-7500 (in Texas)
e-mail: contact@ldat.org

Free publication.

“College Planning for Students with Learning Disabilities”

www.kidsource.com/kidsource/content3/college.planning.LD.html

General College Information (not disability specific)

College for All Texans (in English and Spanish)

www.collegefortexans.com

This website says it has “everything you need to select the Texas university, college, junior college or technical school that’s best for you.” (A project of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.)

Links to schools in Texas:

www.collegefortexans.com/cfbin/inst.cfm

Every Chance, Every Texan

www.everychanceeverytexan.org

Helps Texans plan for college and a career. It has sections on job trends, career guidance, paying for college, and colleges and universities in Texas.

Information is also targeted for parents and grandparents, students, counselors, employers, and financial professionals.

Know How To Go

<http://knowhow2go.com>

Encourages 8th through 12th graders to prepare for college. A mentors section (in English and Spanish) is for parents, guardians, teachers, mentors and other caring adults.

Adventures In Education

www.aie.org

Helps students plan and succeed in higher education. It has information for middle school students, high school students, college students, parents, teachers and counselors. Includes information on: 1) Planning for College [about applications, the admissions process and choosing a college]; 2) Paying for College; 3) Finding a Career; and 4) Managing Money.

Links to some Texas resources:

www.aie.org/State/?state=Texas

Key Texas laws related to higher education

http://governor.state.tx.us/disabilities/resources/higher_education

Steps to College Newsletter

www.nacacnet.org/PublicationsResources/steps/Pages/default.aspx

Detailed information on Resources and Tips as You Begin Your College Search, Preparing for College while in High School, Standardized Tests, Choosing the Best-Fit College, College Admission Process, Alternatives to Going to College Right After High School, Your Senior Year, Preparing to Adjust to College, Financial Aid, For Parents, etc. (National Association for College Admission Counseling)

Calendar of steps to each year of high school:

www.nacacnet.org/studentinfo/CollegePrep/Pages/

“Preparing Your Child For College: A Resource Book for Parents”

www.about-the-web.com/shtml/reports/preparing_for_college.shtml

Helps ensure students are academically ready for college and start to plan/save early.

EducationPlanner

www.educationplanner.com

Exploring careers, choosing a college, paying for college and visiting college campuses. For students, parents and counselors.

CityTownInfo

www.citytowninfo.com

Information on U.S. cities and towns; careers/jobs; and colleges, universities and trade schools.

Career overviews:

www.citytowninfo.com/employment

Career stories and videos:

www.citytowninfo.com/career-stories

www.citytowninfo.com/career-videos

Recent news on careers and college education:

www.citytowninfo.com/career-and-education-news

CollegeMatch to locate similar schools:

www.citytowninfo.com/college-match

Educational and Career Options

Educational Alternatives

After High School: Awareness of Postsecondary Options

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/awareness-of-postsecondary-options

Educational and training options available to students with disabilities after high school.

Community College information:

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/community-college/

Career and Technical Education:

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/career-and-technical-education/

“College or Training Programs: How to Decide”

www.ldonline.org/article/12768

“The Community College Choice”

www.ldonline.org/article/6128

Points out that attending a community college may provide a more comfortable atmosphere, smaller class size, and more individualized attention.

“Moving On: How Students with Disabilities Can Transition from a 2 to 4 year College”

www.washington.edu/doit/Brochures/Academics/24.html

“Non-Degree Postsecondary Options for Individuals with Disabilities”

www.partnerstx.org/Resources/Transition/PDF/NonDegree_Options.pdf

Provides an overview of postsecondary options for employment, transition and life skills development.

Guide to degrees and careers

<http://education-portal.com>

A guide to undergraduate and graduate degrees, careers, and online degree programs. Includes job hunting tips.

“Plan B: What if I’m Not Accepted to College?”

www.nacacnet.org/PublicationsResources/steps/Articles/Pages/PlanB.aspx

Taking a Gap Year

www.nacacnet.org/PublicationsResources/steps/Articles/Pages/TimeOff.aspx

Alternatives to going to college right after high school.

“A Year of Community Service”

www.nacacnet.org/PublicationsResources/steps/Articles/Pages/communityservice.aspx

“Transition Experience of Texas Youth with Disabilities”

www.hhsc.state.tx.us/reports/HB1230_0509.pdf

Employment and Career Choice

Access Careers

www.washington.edu/doit/Careers

Resources to help individuals with disabilities prepare for a career.

Access Careers Knowledge Base

www.washington.edu/doit/kb.html

Articles on accessibility of technology, college, graduate school, and careers for individuals with disabilities.

“Occupational Outlook Handbook”

www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm

Information on hundreds of jobs — including training and education needed, earnings, job prospects, what workers do, and working conditions. Includes job search tips, information about job markets in each state, and more. Revised every two years. (U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)

Texas Workforce Commission

www.twc.state.tx.us

Information on job searching, training programs and employment-related disability discrimination issues.

Career One Stop: Pathways to Success

www.careeronestop.org

Career resources and workforce information for job seekers, students (plus parents and advisors), businesses and career professionals. Includes Exploring Careers; Salary + Benefits; Education + Training; Job Search; Resumes + Interviews; and People + Places to Help. (Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor.)

For job seekers:

www.careeronestop.org/Audience/JobSeekers/JobSeekers.aspx

For students and career advisors:

www.careeronestop.org/StudentsandCareerAdvisors/StudentsandCareerAdvisors.aspx

For businesses:

www.careeronestop.org/Audience/Businesses/Businesses.aspx

For career professionals:

www.careeronestop.org/Audience/Professionals/Professionals.aspx

Career One Stop: America's Career InfoNet

www.careerinfonet.org

Helps explore careers and make informed work and education choices. Features user-friendly occupation and industry information, salary data, career videos, education resources, self-assessment tools, career exploration assistance, and other resources.

Education Online Search

www.education-online-search.com

Contains articles about vocational schools and careers, including career descriptions, financial aid tips, advice for adult learners, information on standardized college tests, and more.

Career One Stop: America's Service Locator

www.servicelocator.org

Connects individuals to employment and training opportunities at local One-Stop Career Centers. Includes contact information for a range of local work-related services, including unemployment benefits, career development, and educational opportunities.

Career and Job Search Resources Guide

www.careeroverview.com

Includes information on careers, preparing a resume and job searches.

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)

www.eeoc.gov

Enforces federal laws that prevent job discrimination, including discrimination based on disability.

Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

www.jan.wvu.edu

www.jan.wvu.edu/soar/index.htm

Free consultation for people with disabilities and employers about job accommodations and disability employment issues.

Workforce Recruitment Program for College Students with Disabilities

<https://wrp.gov/AboutPre.do>

Connects employers with college students and recent graduates with disabilities looking for internships or permanent positions. (U.S. Department of Labor)

Specialized Resources

Materials for Educators

These materials were compiled for counselors and other educators but may be useful to others. Additional materials for educators are mixed into resources under other headings.

“Guidance and Career Counselors’ Toolkit: Advising High School Students with Disabilities on Postsecondary Options”

www.nationalserviceresources.org/files/guidance-and-career-counselors-toolkit.pdf

Answers frequently asked questions counselors ask about higher education for students with disabilities. Also good for students and families.

“Transition of Students with Disabilities to Postsecondary Education: A Guide for High School Educators”

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/transitionguide.html

Covers rights and responsibilities of high school students with disabilities versus college students.

The Transition Coalition

<http://transitioncoalition.org/transition/index.php>

Resources and professional development on transitioning to adult life for youth with disabilities.

“Think College: College Options for People with Intellectual Disabilities”

Resources for students, families and professionals:

www.thinkcollege.net

Information for professionals:

www.thinkcollege.net/for-professionals/for-professionals

Accommodations for Educators with Disabilities

<http://askjan.org/media/educators.html>

CollegeBoard

Information for Educators on College Admissions Testing:

<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/gateway>

Information for students with disabilities about SAT, AP exams, PSAT/NMSQT:

www.collegeboard.com/ssd/student

“2011-2012 Counselors & Mentors Handbook on Federal Student Aid”

www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/clcf/attachments/CMH11-12.pdf

Information on federal student aid programs, the application process, completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and financial need for students who may have expenses related to their disability.

Association for Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD)

www.ahead.org

AHEAD is an international professional organization that sells training/materials on disabilities in education.

Students with Disabilities in the College Classroom: What College Faculty Need to Know

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/students-with-disabilities-in-the-college-classroom

“Getting Ready for College: Advising High School Students with Learning Disabilities”

www.kidsource.com/Heath/gr.html

Understanding Asperger Syndrome: A Professor’s Guide

www.researchautism.org/resources/AspergerDVDSeries.asp

A 12-minute video created to help college students with Asperger Syndrome educate their professors, teaching assistants, and others about the disorder.

Miscellaneous Topics on Disability and Higher Education

HEATH Resource Center

www.heath.gwu.edu

Online clearinghouse on higher education for individuals with disabilities.

Vocational Rehabilitation Services information

www.fkdckk/tki j uuzQti /resources/hkgu/The-Vocational-Rehabilitation-System-in-Texas.pdf

“Transition in Texas: A Resource for Students Receiving Special Education Services”

www.transitionintexas.org

Developed by the Education Service Center (ESC) for Region XI.

List of Transition Specialists for each ESC

www.transitionintexas.org/10081093011152367/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=52638

Recommendations on including health care transition in a student’s IEP

www.ncset.org/publications/viewdesc.asp?id=2967

Healthy and Ready for College!

www.thinkcollege.net/images/stories/Insight8.pdf

Explores challenges regarding health care in higher education and beyond for youth with intellectual disabilities. It includes a checklist on skills needed to manage health care.

Transition and Higher Education

www.ncset.org

National Center on Secondary Education and Transition

College Survival Skills

www.washington.edu/doit/Brochures/Academics/survival.html

Tips for students with disabilities from other youth with disabilities.

Self-Determination for Students

www.washington.edu/doit/MathSci/self.html

“Self-Advocacy for College Students”

www.ldonline.org/article/6142

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/self-advocacy/

“Help for College Students with Disabilities”

www.wrightslaw.com/flyers/college.504.pdf

www.wrightslaw.com/info/college.index.htm

Links to resources, including Section 504.

Navigating the Emotional Landscape of College and Adjusting to the New Environment

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/emotional-supports

Independent Living Skills Needed

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/independent-living

Campus Life/College Living

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/campus-life-college-living

We Connect

<http://weconnectnow.wordpress.com>

Works to link college students with disabilities as a virtual community.

“How do the rights and responsibilities of high school students with disabilities change as they enter college?”

www.washington.edu/doit/articles?47

Letter to Parents about students rights as they transition from high school to postsecondary education

www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/letters/parent-20070316.html

“Students with Disabilities and Higher Education: A Disconnect in Expectations and Realities”

www.eric.ed.gov/PDFS/ED482310.pdf

Talks about how students must self-identify a disability, request accommodations and provide documentation of the disability.

“Students with Disabilities Preparing for Postsecondary Education: Know Your Rights and Responsibilities”

www.ed.gov/ocr/transition.html

Pamphlet includes students’ and schools’ responsibilities, including vocational and career schools, two- and four- year colleges, and universities. It explains the schools’ obligations to provide academic adjustments, including auxiliary aids and services.

For more on the civil rights of students with disabilities in education institutions, contact the Customer Service Team, Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC 20202-1100, call 1-800-421-3481, or e-mail ocr@ed.gov.

“College Students and Disability Law”

www.ldonline.org/article/6082

Information on legal protections, applying for college, obtaining accommodations, etc.

“The Law after High School”

www.ldonline.org/article/6098

“Where can I find statistics about education and career attainment for individuals with disabilities?”

www.washington.edu/doi/articles?345

“Making the Move to Managing Your Own Personal Assistance Services: A Toolkit for Youth Transitioning to Adulthood”

www.ncwd-youth.info/PAS-Toolkit

The Next Step (video)

www.txddc.state.tx.us/resources/publications/NextStepVideo.asp

Presents stories of five Texans with disabilities who attended colleges, universities or technical schools. It is designed to challenge students with disabilities, families and educators to consider higher education. It is online and on DVD in English and Spanish. (By the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities.)

Discussion and Video Guide:

www.txddc.state.tx.us/resources/publications/guidecontents.asp

Admissions Testing and Study Skills

ApplyTexas

www.applytexas.org

Application for admission to any Texas public university, as well as to participating community and private colleges.

CollegeBoard

www.collegeboard.org

College admissions testing information for students with disabilities and educators.

Quick Guide to Accommodations on the SAT for Students with Disabilities

www.wrightslaw.com/info/college.SAT.accomm.htm

How can students with disabilities get accommodations for taking the PSAT, SAT, ACT, and Advanced Placement exams?

www.washington.edu/doi/articles?160

Test Preparation

<http://number2.com>

Comprehensive free online test preparation courses for the SAT, ACT, and GRE. Includes tutorials, practice sessions that adapt to each student’s ability level, a vocabulary builder and more.

Study Strategies and Skills

www.d.umn.edu/student/loon/acad/strat

www.csbsju.edu/academicadvising/helplist.htm

These two websites provide information on time management, taking notes, test taking, etc.

“Ten Traps of Studying”

http://campushealth.unc.edu/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=470&Itemid=65

The Cornell Note Taking System

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cornell_Notes

www.montgomerycollege.edu/Departments/enreadtp/Cornell.html

College Costs and Financial Aid

College for All Texans: College Costs

www.collegefortexans.com/index.cfm?objectid=63188B97-0C47-0020-6DBBBAD96A7DFB83

Average cost to attend Texas colleges.

Paying for College: Frequently Asked Questions

www.collegefortexans.com/index.cfm?ObjectID=C15666C5-0900-44D7-662456986DB0129C

Student Aid on the Web

www.studentaid.ed.gov

Federal student aid programs, applying for aid, repaying loans, applying for college and picking a school.

“Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid”

http://studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/index.html

Grants, loans and work-study. Updated each year. In English and Spanish. U.S. Department of Education.

Federal Student Aid Handbook

www.ifap.ed.gov/ifap/byAwardYear.jsp?type=fsahandbook&awardyear=2011-2012

Counselors and Mentors Handbook on Federal Student Aid

www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/clcf/attachments/CMH11-12.pdf

College for All Texans: Types of Financial Aid

www.collegeforalltexans.com/apps/financialaid/tofa.cfm?Kind=GS

State and federal grants and scholarships for students at Texas colleges and universities.

FAFSA4caster

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov/F4CApp/index/index.jsf

A free financial aid tool that estimates eligibility for federal student financial assistance.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Used by most colleges to determine a student’s eligibility for financial aid, including federal, state and college-sponsored financial aid, grants, educational loans and work-study programs. It must be completed each school year. (U.S. Department of Education)

Booklet: Completing the FAFSA

http://studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/completing_fafsa/index.html

Compendium of Texas Colleges and Financial Aid Calendar

www.everychanceeverytexan.org/about/scholars

Lists colleges and universities in Texas, admission requirements, expenses for a school year, financial aid data, and scholarship deadlines. It does not include graduate/professional schools, private specialized, or private technical schools.

For a print copy, e-mail mspf@mspf.org or write to the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation, 1250 N.E. Loop 410, Suite 810, San Antonio, TX 78209-1539.

Loans, Scholarships and Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities

www.wrightslaw.com/info/fin.aid.index.htm

Disability Scholarships

<http://staff.lib.msu.edu/harris23/grants/3disable.htm>

Watch out for Scholarship Scams

www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/scholarship

Show Me the Money! Paying for College

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/financial-aid

Federal Financial Aid and College: An Overview for Students with Disabilities

www.heath.gwu.edu/assets/19/financial_aid_excerpt.pdf

Includes the application procedure, timelines, resources and a checklist to organize the search for funds. (HEATH Resource Center)

Disability Scholarships

www.disaboom.com/scholarships

General and disability-specific scholarships.

Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities

www.finaid.org/otheraid/disabled.phtml

www.free-4u.com/prod02.htm

“College Funding for Students with Disabilities”

www.washington.edu/doi/Brochures/Academics/financial-aid.html

Scholarships for Latinos and students with disabilities, in English and Spanish

www.proyectovision.net/english/opportunities/scholarships.html

“College Savings Accounts 101”

www.cppp.org/files/2/collegesavings325.pdf

Introduces college savings plans and how they operate, including links for Texas plans.

College Savings Calculator

https://studentaid2.ed.gov/getmoney/save_for_college/save_calculator.html

Can help determine how much to save and how to maximize your savings.

College Savings Calculator

www.mortgageloan.com/calculator/college-savings

To use it, you need to enter your current savings amount, rate of return, monthly contributions, and the education cost inflation.

Saving for College

www.mortgageloan.com/saving-for-college

Information on some types of college saving plans.

Articles Regarding Financing College

www.mortgageloan.com/student-loan-articles

Accommodations and Technology

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Academic and Co-Curricular Accommodations in Colleges and Universities

www.heath.gwu.edu/modules/accommodations

“Accommodating College Students with Learning Disabilities: ADD, ADHA, and Dyslexia”

www.popecenter.org/inquiry_papers/article.html?id=2322

The Why, When, What, and How of Disclosure in an Academic Setting, After High School

www.dol.gov/odep/pubs/fact/wwwwh.htm

Accommodations are usually provided by a school’s disability support service only if students disclose their disability and request accommodations. The timing of disclosure depends upon when accommodations are needed.

Universal Design and Accommodations

www.washington.edu/doit/Careers/uda.html

Accommodations and Universal Design for Students with Disabilities

www.washington.edu/doit/Faculty/Strategies

Provides examples of accommodations for specific disabilities and settings, such as large lectures, distance learning courses and field trips.

Texas Accessibility Standards

www.license.state.tx.us/ab/abtas.htm

Accessibility standards for public and many other buildings and facilities.

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation’s Architectural Barriers Program

www.license.state.tx.us/ab/ab.htm

Enforces the Texas Architectural Barriers Act, which requires access in new construction or alteration.

Classroom accommodations for students with psychiatric disabilities

www.bu.edu/cpr/reasaccom/educa-accom.html

Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

www.askjan.org

Free guidance on accommodations at work and in education. Addresses specific disabilities and general topics.

Sample Accommodations: Situations and Solutions for Students with Disabilities

www.askjan.org/media/studentsitsol.doc

Occupation and Industry Series: Students with Mental Health Impairments

<http://askjan.org/media/HiEdStudentsPsych.html>

Accommodating Students with Cerebral Palsy

www.askjan.org/media/studentcpfact.doc

Accommodating Students with Hearing Loss

www.askjan.org/media/studenthearfact.doc

Students with Vision Impairments

www.askjan.org/media/studentvisionfact.doc

Accommodations for Testing

<http://askjan.org/media/testingaccomm.html>

Accommodations for college students with disabilities and suggestions to get colleges to waive/substitute courses

www.wrightslaw.com/info/sec504.college.accoms.brown.htm

The Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html?src=mr

Investigates complaints of disability discrimination.

Technology

AbleData

www.abledata.com

Information about thousands of assistive technology products and rehabilitation equipment.

“Questions to Ask Colleges about Assistive Technology Resources”

www.ldonline.org/article/8929

Highlights differences between the availability of assistive technology (AT) in K-12 and college settings, asks AT questions students should consider in selecting a school, and offers links to resources about AT and support networks.

Texas Technology Access Program

<http://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu>

Includes training, a database on devices and vendors, and short-term loans.

Assistive Technology in Education:

<http://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/educ13.html>

School Transition:

<http://techaccess.edb.utexas.edu/schooltrans3.html>

National Rehabilitation Information Center

www.naric.com

Provides a database on federal research on assistive technology and rehabilitation.

Website Accessibility Validator

<http://validator.w3.org>

RampWEB Section 508 Toolbar

www.rampweb.com/Accessibility_Resources/Section508/

Tests the page’s presentation for accessibility, such as contrast, color, size, etc. Both code and presentation need to validate to be accessible.

Web Accessibility Toolbar for Internet Explorer

www.visionaustralia.org.au/info.aspx?page=614

Information on Individual Colleges

Colleges for Students with Disabilities Nationwide

Disability Friendly Colleges: A guide for Students with Physical Disabilities

www.disabilityfriendlycolleges.com

Colleges with Programs for Students with Learning Disabilities

www.college-scholarships.com/learning_disabilities.htm

Colleges with programs specifically designed to support students with learning disabilities.

“College Guide for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students”

<http://projects.pepnet.org/collegeguide>

Provides information on schools with services for students who are deaf or hard of hearing, including 21 in Texas.

Colleges for People Who Are Deaf

www.ehow.com/list_6454948_colleges-deaf-people.html

Four U.S. colleges (one in Texas) just for people who are deaf.

Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Directory of Colleges and University Programs

www.tsbvi.edu/pds/498-college-and-university-programs

Colleges and universities with courses in the education and rehabilitation of people who are visually impaired, deaf-blind, or have multiple disabilities.

Other U.S. Colleges and Educational Resources

College Surfing

www.collegesurfing.com

Lets you browse by zip code and career interest to find a college that meets your needs.

College Atlas

www.collegeatlas.org

Provides information on colleges and universities, community colleges, online colleges and majors offered nationwide.

WorldWideLearn

www.worldwidelearn.com

Online directory of education, featuring more than 2,500 online courses, 1,600 online degree programs, 200 online universities, 2,300 campus-based career college programs, and other resources. Resources include: online and campus-based college programs; high school/GED; vocational training; professional and personal development; career assessment/planning; majors; continuing education; salaries; etc.

Online Colleges

www.onlinecolleges.net

News, reviews and “hot topics” in the college world, including degree options, admissions, school profiles, financial aid, and succeeding in your field.

Top 10 Online Universities

www.top10onlineuniversities.org

Popular online universities.

AcademicInfo Resource Center

www.academicinfo.net

Online education resource center with extensive subject guides, video courses and distance learning information.

Texas Colleges and Universities

Websites with links to Texas colleges, career schools, distance learning.

College for All Texans

www.collegefortexans.com

A project of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (in English and Spanish).

Links to both public and private colleges in Texas:

www.collegefortexans.com/cfbin/inst.cfm

Compendium of Texas Colleges and Financial Aid Calendar

www.window.state.tx.us/scholars

List colleges in Texas, admission requirements, expenses, financial aid data, etc.

College Locator

www.theccb.state.tx.us/apps/GM

A clickable map shows public and private colleges, community colleges, technical schools and health related education across Texas. (Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board)

Texas Higher Education Data

List of all schools:

www.txhighereddata.org/Interactive/Institutions.cfm

A “Report Card” on each school:

www.txhighereddata.org/Interactive/ReportCards/UniversityRC.cfm

Texas Distance Education Programs

www.texasdistanceeducation.com

Includes courses and degrees by Texas’ public and independent colleges, universities and health-related institutions.

Community Colleges in Texas and the U.S.

www.utexas.edu/world/comcol/state/#TX

Universities in Texas and the U.S.

www.utexas.edu/world/univ/state/#TX

Lists of Texas Vocational Schools and Colleges

www.degreedadvantage.com/texas-schools.html

www.rwm.org/rwm/tf_tex.html

www.careeradvantage.org/texas-schools.html

Includes business, trade and technical schools.

Links to Specific Colleges in Texas

The following includes links to the main pages of many colleges and universities throughout Texas as well as available links to information regarding services for students with disabilities. The office that provides advocacy and arranges for academic support and campus accessibility for students with disabilities is commonly called Disability Services. Please note that many schools have campuses in more than one location and/or city, which are not all listed here.

| College or University | Location | Website | Disability Services |
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| Abilene Christian University | Abilene | www.acu.edu | www.acu.edu/academics/trio/alpha/programs/sds/index.html |
| Alvin Community College | Alvin | www.alvincollege.edu | www.alvincollege.edu/DisabilityServices/default.htm |
| Alamo Community Colleges | San Antonio | www.alamo.edu | www.alamo.edu/pac/htm/new/Current/services/dss |
| Amarillo (Community) College | Amarillo | www.actx.edu | www.actx.edu/disability |
| Angelina (Community) College | Lufkin | www.angelina.edu | www.angelina.edu/ssss/disability_services.html |
| Angelo State University | San Angelo | www.angelo.edu | www.angelo.edu/services/student_life/disability.html |
| Austin College | Sherman | www.austincollege.edu | www.austincollege.edu/campus-life/academic-skills-center/disability-services |
| Austin Community College | Austin | www.austincc.edu | www.austincc.edu/support/osd |
| Baylor University | Waco | www.baylor.edu | www.baylor.edu/oala |
| Blinn (Community) College | Brenham | www.blinn.edu | www.blinn.edu/disability.htm |
| Brazosport (Community) College | Brazosport | www.brazosport.edu | |
| Brookhaven (Community) College | Farmers Branch, Dallas | www.brookhavencollege.edu | www.brookhavencollege.edu/studentsvcs/special-services |
| Cedar Valley College | Lancaster | www.cedarvalleycollege.edu | www.cedarvalleycollege.edu/FutureStudents/StudentServices/DisabilityServices/default.aspx |
| Central Texas (Community) College | Killeen | www.ctcd.edu | www.ctcd.edu/gc/sss/index.htm |
| Cisco Junior College | Cisco | www.cisco.edu | |
| Clarendon (Community) College | Clarendon | www.clarendoncollege.edu | |
| Coastal Bend (Community) College | Alice | http://vct.coastalbend.edu | http://vct.coastalbend.edu/cbcss/content/index.cfm?fa=view&category_id=3140&frommod=1 |

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| (Community) College of the Mainland | Texas City | www.com.edu | www.com.edu/student-services/counseling.php |
| Collin (Community) College | Collin County | www.collin.edu | www.collin.edu/studentresources/disabilityservices/ |
| Concordia University | Austin | www.concordia.edu | www.concordia.edu/.cfm?_id=1568 |
| Dallas Baptist University | Dallas | www.dbu.edu | www3.dbu.edu/studentlife/disabled_students.asp |
| Del Mar (Community) College | Corpus Christi | www.delmar.edu | www.delmar.edu/specserv/disability.html |
| Eastfield (Community) College | Mesquite | www.efc.dcccd.edu | www.efc.dcccd.edu/ssi/DSO/index.asp |
| El Paso Community College | El Paso | www.epcc.edu | |
| Frank Phillips (Community) College | Borger | www.fpctx.edu | www.fpctx.edu/Students/EE_Home.htm |
| Galveston (Community) College | Galveston | www.gc.edu | www.gc.edu/gc/Special_Needs_Students.asp?SnID=119056625 |
| Grayson County (Community) College | Denison | www.grayson.edu | www.grayson.edu/website/Students/students_disabilities.aspx |
| Hardin-Simmons University | Abilene | www.hsutx.edu | www.hsutx.edu/academics/advising/osd.aspx |
| Hill (Community) College | Hillsboro | www.hillcollege.edu | www.hillcollege.edu/students/counsel/?dept=4 |
| Houston Baptist University | Houston | www.hbu.edu | www.hbu.edu/hbu/Academic_Accommodations_for_Students_with_Learning.asp?SnID=2103839887 |
| Houston Community College system | Houston | www.hccs.edu | www.hccs.edu/hccs/future-students/disability-services |
| Howard (Community) College + SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf | Big Spring, Lamesa, San Angelo | www.howardcollege.edu | |
| Jacksonville College | Jacksonville | www.jacksonville-college.edu | |
| Kilgore (Community) College | Kilgore | www.kilgore.edu | www.kilgore.edu/specialpopulations.asp |
| Kingwood College (Lonestar) | Kingwood | http://kingwood.lonestar.edu | www.lonestar.edu/disability-services.htm |
| Lamar University | Beaumont | www.lamar.edu | http://dept.lamar.edu/sfswd/ |
| Lamar State College Orange | Orange | www.lsco.edu | http://lsco.edu/advising/disability.asp |
| Lamar State College Port Arthur | Port Arthur | www.lamarpa.edu | www.lamarpa.edu/dept/sp |

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| Laredo Community College | Laredo | www.laredo.edu | www.laredo.edu/cms/LCC/Student_Life/Student_Handbook/College_Services/Special_Services_Center |
| Lee (Community) College | Baytown | www.lee.edu | www.lee.edu/counseling/disabilities_handbook.asp |
| Lon Morris University | Jacksonville | www.lonmorris.edu | www.lonmorris.edu/lmcColeLearning-89.php |
| Lone Star (Community) College System | North Harris/ Montgomery counties | www.lonestar.edu | www.lonestar.edu/disability-services.htm |
| McLennan Community College | Waco | www.mclennan.edu | www.mclennan.edu/students/sss |
| Midland (Community) College | Midland | www.midland.edu | www.midland.edu/students/student_services/career/disabilities.php |
| Midwestern State University | Wichita Falls | http://web.mwsu.edu | http://students.mwsu.edu/disability/info-parents.asp |
| Mountain View (Community) College | Dallas | www.mvc.dcccd.edu | http://www.mvc.dcccd.edu/studservices/studsucces/careerdisabilityservice/Pages |
| Navarro College | Corsicana | www.navarrocollege.edu | www.navarrocollege.edu/current.php?id=100 |
| North Central Texas College | Gainesville | www.nctc.edu | www.nctc.edu/Student_Services/Access/ACCESSProgram.htm |
| North Lake (Community) College | Irving | www.northlakecollege.edu | www.northlakecollege.edu/resources/disability.html |
| Our Lady of the Lake University | San Antonio | www.ollusa.edu | www.ollusa.edu/s/1190/ollu.aspx?sid=1190&gid=1&pgid=4619 |
| Odessa (Community) College | Odessa | www.odessa.edu | www.odessa.edu/dept/counseling/disabilities.htm |
| Panola (Community) College | Carthage | www.panola.edu | www.panola.edu/student-services/dss.html |
| Paris Junior College | Paris | www.parisjc.edu | www.parisjc.edu/index.php/pjc/content-pjc/students-with-disabilities |
| Prairie View A&M University | Prairie View | www.pvamu.edu | www.pvamu.edu/pages/1479.asp |
| Ranger (Community) College | Ranger | www.ranger.cc.tx.us | |
| Rice University | Houston | www.rice.edu | http://dss.rice.edu |
| Round Rock Higher Education Center | Round Rock | www.rrhec.txstate.edu | www.ods.txstate.edu |
| Sam Houston State University | Huntsville | www.shsu.edu | www.shsu.edu/~counsel/sswd.html |
| San Antonio (Community) College | San Antonio | www.alamo.edu/sac | www.alamo.edu/sac/dss |

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| San Jacinto (Community) College | Pasadena | www.sjcd.edu | www.sjcd.edu/current-students/student-support/disability-assistance |
| Schreiner College | Kerrville | www.schreiner.edu | www.schreiner.edu/academics/lss.html |
| South Plains (Community) College | Levelland | www3.southplainscollege.edu | www.southplainscollege.edu/information-for/current-spc-students/specialservicesresources.php |
| South Texas (Community) College | McAllen | www.southtexascollege.edu | http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/advising/disability.html |
| South Texas College of Law | Houston | www.stcl.edu | |
| Southern Methodist University | Dallas | www.smu.edu | http://smu.edu/cul/services/disability |
| Southwestern University | Georgetown | www.southwestern.edu | www.southwestern.edu/offices/success |
| Southwest Texas Junior College | Uvalde, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Crystal City | www.swtjc.edu | www.swtjc.edu/programs/disability-support-services.aspx |
| St. Edward's University | Austin | www.stedwards.edu | www.stedwards.edu/academics/newcollege/supportservices |
| St. Mary's University | San Antonio | www.stmarytx.edu | http://www.stmarytx.edu/disability/ |
| Stephen F. Austin State University | Nacogdoches | www.sfasu.edu | www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices |
| Sul Ross State University | Alpine | www.sulross.edu | www.sulross.edu/s/4517.asp |
| Sul Ross State University Rio Grande College | Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Uvalde | http://rgc.sulross.edu | |
| Tarleton State University | Stephenville | www.tarleton.edu | www.tarleton.edu/sds/ |
| Tarrant County (Community) College | Fort Worth | www.tccd.edu | www.tccd.edu/Student_Services/Disability_Support.html |
| Temple (Community) College | Temple | www.templejc.edu | www.templejc.edu/student_info/Accommodations/Accommodations.htm |
| Texarkana (Community) College | Texarkana | www.texarkanacollege.edu | |
| Texas A&M University | College Station | www.tamu.edu | http://disability.tamu.edu |
| Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi | Corpus Christi | www.tamucc.edu | http://disabilityservices.tamucc.edu |
| Texas A&M University at Galveston | Galveston | www.tamug.edu | www.tamug.edu/counsel/services/dss.htm |
| Texas A&M University at Kingsville | Kingsville | www.tamuk.edu | www.tamuk.edu/shw/drc/index.html |
| Texas Christian University | Fort Worth | www.tcu.edu | www.acs.tcu.edu/disability_services.asp |
| Texas Southmost College (partnered with The University of Texas-Brownsville) | Brownsville | www.utb.edu | www.utb.edu/sa/ability/s/home.aspx |

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| Texas State Technical College (TSTC) | Harlingen | www.harlingen.tstc.edu | www.harlingen.tstc.edu/supportservices/qualify.aspx#Disability |
| TSTC | Marshall | www.marshall.tstc.edu | www.marshall.tstc.edu/welcome/disabled.shtml |
| TSTC | Waco | www.waco.tstc.edu | http://waco.tstc.edu/ddss/index.php |
| Texas State University at San Marcos | San Marcos | www.txstate.edu | www.ods.txstate.edu |
| Texas State University System | 2-year campuses in 8 locations | www.tsus.edu | |
| Texas Tech University | Lubbock | www.ttu.edu | www.ttuhs.edu/student-services/ada |
| Texas Woman's University | Denton | www.twu.edu | www.twu.edu/dss |
| Tomball College (Lonestar) | Tomball | www.lonestar.edu/tomball.htm | www.lonestar.edu/disability-services.htm |
| Trinity University | San Antonio | www.trinity.edu | http://web.trinity.edu/x6245.xml |
| Trinity Valley Community College | Athens | www.tvcc.edu | www.tvcc.edu/guidance/studentswithdisabilities.aspx |
| Tyler Junior College | Tyler | www.tjc.edu | www.tjc.edu/Disabilities/index.php |
| University of Dallas | Dallas | http://udallas.edu | http://udallas.edu/aboutus/offices/hr/ada |
| University of Houston | Houston | www.uh.edu | www.uh.edu/csd |
| University of Houston Clear Lake | Clear Lake | http://prtl.uhcl.edu | http://prtl.uhcl.edu/portal/page/portal/UAO |
| University of Houston Downtown | Houston | www.uhd.edu | www.uhd.edu/academic/colleges/university/disability/ |
| University of Houston Victoria | Victoria | www.uhv.edu | www.uhv.edu/sas/adaStudent.aspx |
| University of North Texas | Denton | www.unt.edu | www.unt.edu/oda |
| University of St. Thomas | Houston | www.stthom.edu | www.stthom.edu/Campus_Student_Life/Health_Counseling/Index.aqf |
| The University of Texas | Austin | www.utexas.edu | www.utexas.edu/disability/ |
| The University of Texas at Arlington | Arlington | www.uta.edu | www.uta.edu/disability/ |
| The University of Texas at Dallas | Dallas | www.utdallas.edu | www.utdallas.edu/student/sliffe/hcsvc.html |
| The University of Texas at El Paso | El Paso | www.utep.edu | http://studentaffairs.utep.edu/Default.aspx?alias=studentaffairs.utep.edu/dsso |
| The University of Texas of the Permian Basin | Odessa | www.utpb.edu | http://ss.utpb.edu/pass-office/students-with-disabilities |
| The University of Texas at San Antonio | San Antonio | www.utsa.edu | www.utsa.edu/disability |
| The University of Texas at Tyler | Tyler | www.uttyler.edu | www.uttyler.edu/disabilityservices |

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| Vernon (Junior) College | Vernon | www.vernoncollege.edu | www.vernoncollege.edu/ADATemplate.aspx?id=1092&terms=disability services |
| The Victoria College | Victoria | www.victoriacollege.edu | www.victoriacollege.edu/disabilitysupportservices |
| Wade College | Wade | www.wadecollege.edu | |
| Weatherford (Community) College | Weatherford | www.wc.edu | www.wc.edu/new-students/admissions/disabilities-services |
| West Texas A&M University | Canyon | www.wtamu.edu | www.wtamu.edu/student-support/disability-services.aspx |
| Western Texas (Community) College | Snyder | www.wtc.edu | |
| Wharton County Junior College | Wharton | www.wcjc.cc.tx.us | www.wcjc.cc.tx.us/admin_offices_n/Student_Services/disability_services/disability.asp |