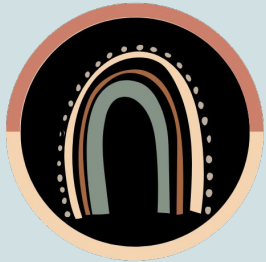


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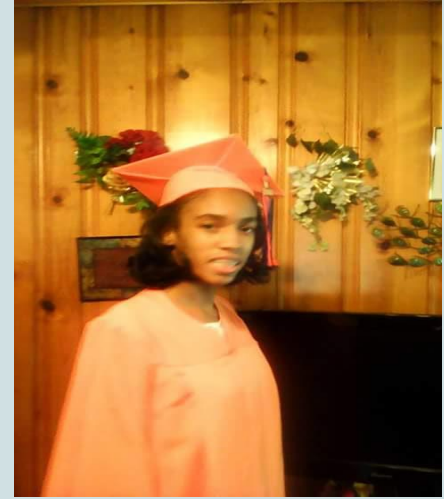
## A'Shauntae's Top 5 Things that Helped Me Get to College

### 1. Prepare for College while in high school

I attended my IEP Meetings with my guidance counselor, principal, case management counselor and legal guardian/parent to have plans before graduation.

I advocated to take the SAT my guidance counselor, principal didn't feel comfortable enough to think I should take the SAT Still advocate that I want to go ahead to take to see how I would do!

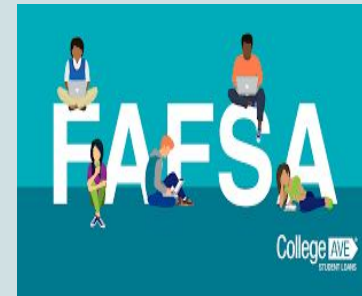
I made good grades in all my classes. Even though I was in an intensive supports class, I was an honor roll student. I had to make sure I was completing my homework assignments so I could graduate on time



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### 2. Find information to prepare for ACE-IT in college

- I had to complete the FAFSA application
- I had also apply for the Pell Grant scholarship
- I made sure that I had a family member to help me pay some of my tuition
- I got a scholarship from my church
- I talked with my DARS Counselor to see if they were able to assist with tuition
- I also use my work money to pay off some of my tuition



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## 3. Information I needed for High School before Graduation

To Advocate for me and my legal guardian parent to have an IEP Meeting set up before my senior year with my guidance counselor, principal and case management counselor to prepare employment, career and transition goals.



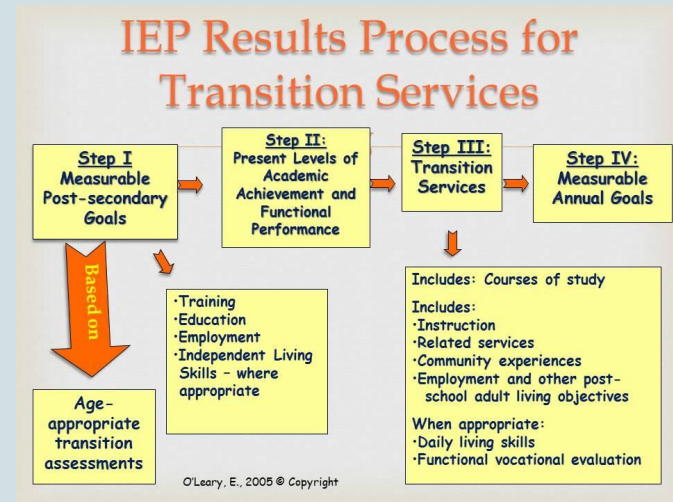
Transition Symposium

### What is Transition Planning?

- A process that brings students and their families together with educators and other adult service providers to help plan and prepare students to exit school and enter a post-secondary school environment, such as adult day programs, employment, vocational school, and college.



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## A'Shauntae's Top 5 Things that Helped Me Get to College

### 4. Use your Voice and be Yourself!

- Never be afraid to ask to your education coach, job coach , academic coach if you have any questions or concerns
- Be yourself
- Never give up on chasing your dreams
- College is a great experience. You are gonna have some up and downs but once you graduated from college you will be proud of yourself for all the things you had accomplished.



## A'Shauntae's Top 5 Things that Helped Me Get to College

### 5. Get ready for college classes

- Be prepared
- Make plans for time management
- Be ready to Participate in class and take notes
- Join different organization and social groups
- Work with supports to help you stay organized with your class assignments and study for class

