



York High School invites students with disabilities to post-high school planning night

In its 7th year with over 800 participants attending annually, we are excited to announce that the Options Fair will be hosted at York Community High School!

The Options Fair offers students with special needs and their families the opportunity to learn about postsecondary options and resources that may be available to them.

Sponsored through the collaborative effort of 24 high schools in west Cook and DuPage counties, this year's fair will feature over 70 vendors representing colleges/universities, college certificate programs, college experience programs, careers in the trades, and agencies providing services to youth and adults with special needs.

The fair is divided into four areas of focus:

- **College degree programs**, with information regarding admissions and accommodations.
- **College experience programs**, for those interested in continuing their education formally after high school with a focus on developing vocational, social, independent living, and academic skills for employment and beyond.
- **Trades/certification programs**, with information regarding admissions and training opportunities in trades such as automotive, skilled manufacturing, HVAC, welding, and computer technology.
- **Adult agencies/services**, with insight into accessing state funding and services, obtaining government benefits, guardianship, long-term financial planning, day programs, and more.

The following presentations are also planned for families to attend:

- 6:15 - 6:45p *College Accommodations: ADA vs. IDEA*
- 6:15p *Understanding the Alphabet Soup of Government Benefits*

Date/Time: Wednesday, October 11th, 2023 from 6 – 8:30pm

Location: York Community High School, 355 W. St. Charles Rd. Elmhurst, IL 60126

It is offered to the public free of charge. No pre-registration is required.

More information is available on the Options Fair website <https://optionsfair.org/>

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