

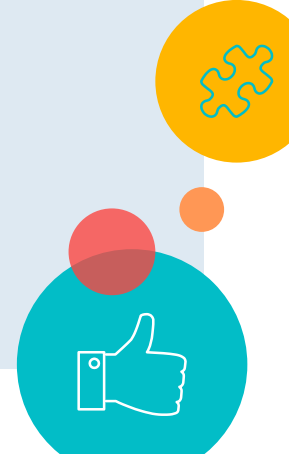


Welcome
to
RISE





Agenda

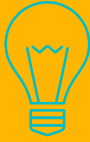
- Welcome & Introductions
 - Our Why
 - Special Education Entitlement
 - Transition Planning Outline:
 - Education/Training
 - Employment
 - Adult Living
 - Current Location & Space
 - Timeline
 - Questions and Survey
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Our Why!



- Fall of 2021 the district received the American Rescue Plan funding of \$344,000 targeted for special education (approved by MA DESE for this purpose)
 - Receive instruction to help reach their post-secondary vision
 - Employment opportunities
 - Local community experience
 - Access to independent living skills within their town of residence
 - Meaningful work
 - Vibrant and productive citizens





What is Special Education Entitlement?

Transition Planning Regulations

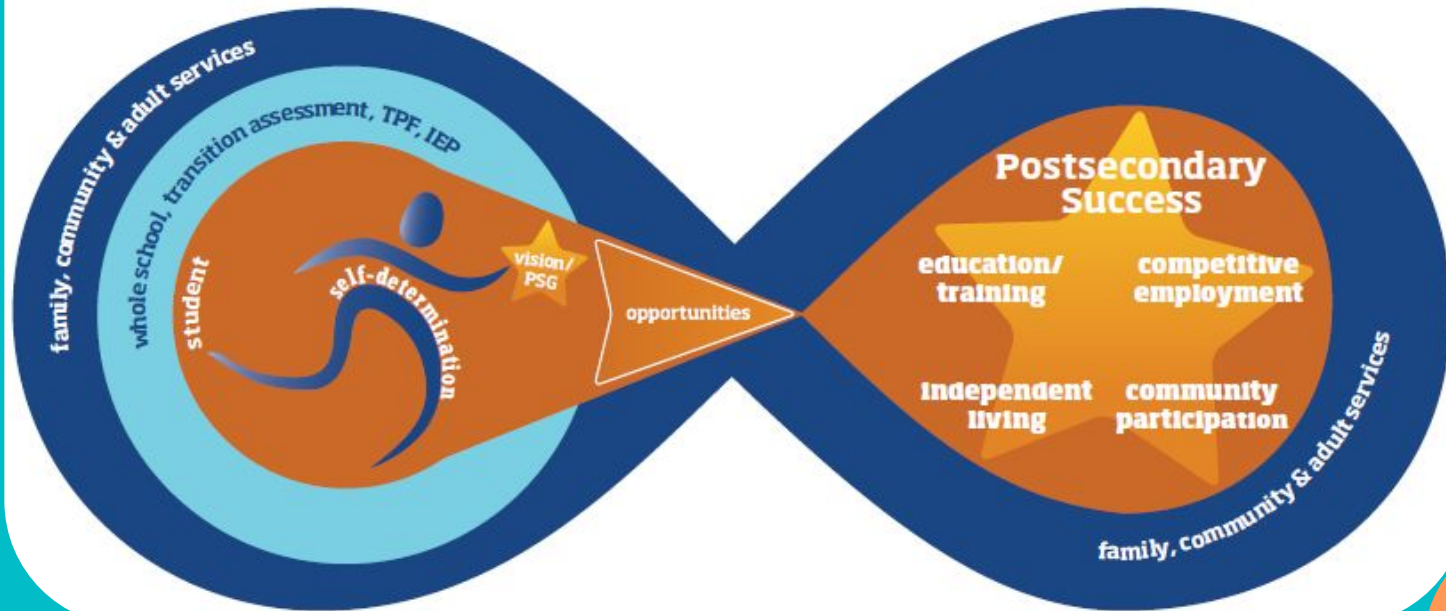
- Under federal and state laws, students with disabilities who receive special education services are entitled to receive appropriate transition services to support movement beyond high school, beginning at age 14.
- Students with the most significant disabilities gain access to appropriate adult services needed under Massachusetts Chapter 688 (1984).
- IDEA, the federal special education legislation, and Chapter 71B specify “Least Restrictive” as requiring placement with most typical peer opportunities and settings.





What is Transition Planning?

Massachusetts Student-Driven Secondary Transition Model



Welcome to RISE!





Education/Training

- **Functional Academics**
 - Various lessons in real-world application of math, reading and writing skills
- **Health & Safety Awareness**
- **Self-Management**
 - Time management, responsible decision making, and goal setting
- **Social Skills & Relationship Skills**
- **Student Rights & Responsibilities**

**We are in current communication with local college/university partnerships.
More to come!**





Employment

- **Soft Skills**
 - Teamwork, adaptability, initiation
- **Career Exploration**
- **Job Coaching**
- **Career Readiness**
 - Job applications, resume and cover letter writing, & interview skills
- **Work-Based Learning Experiences**
 - Increase work endurance and stamina



Vocational Work



- Andy's Closet
- Sherwood Cafeteria Cleaning
- Floral St Office Help
- Nursing Laundry
- High School Cafeteria Food Prep
- Paton Recess Help
- Coolidge Cafeteria Help



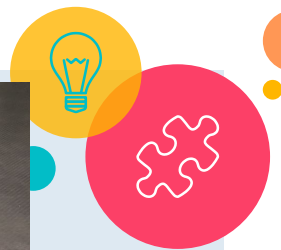


Adult Living

(Independent Living and Community Participation)

- Home Management
 - Laundry, cooking, and leisure skills
- Community Navigation
- Purchasing
- Travel Training
- Citizenship
 - Researching candidates and positions on various topics and voting rights







**We're
MOVING!**

557 Main Street,
Shrewsbury

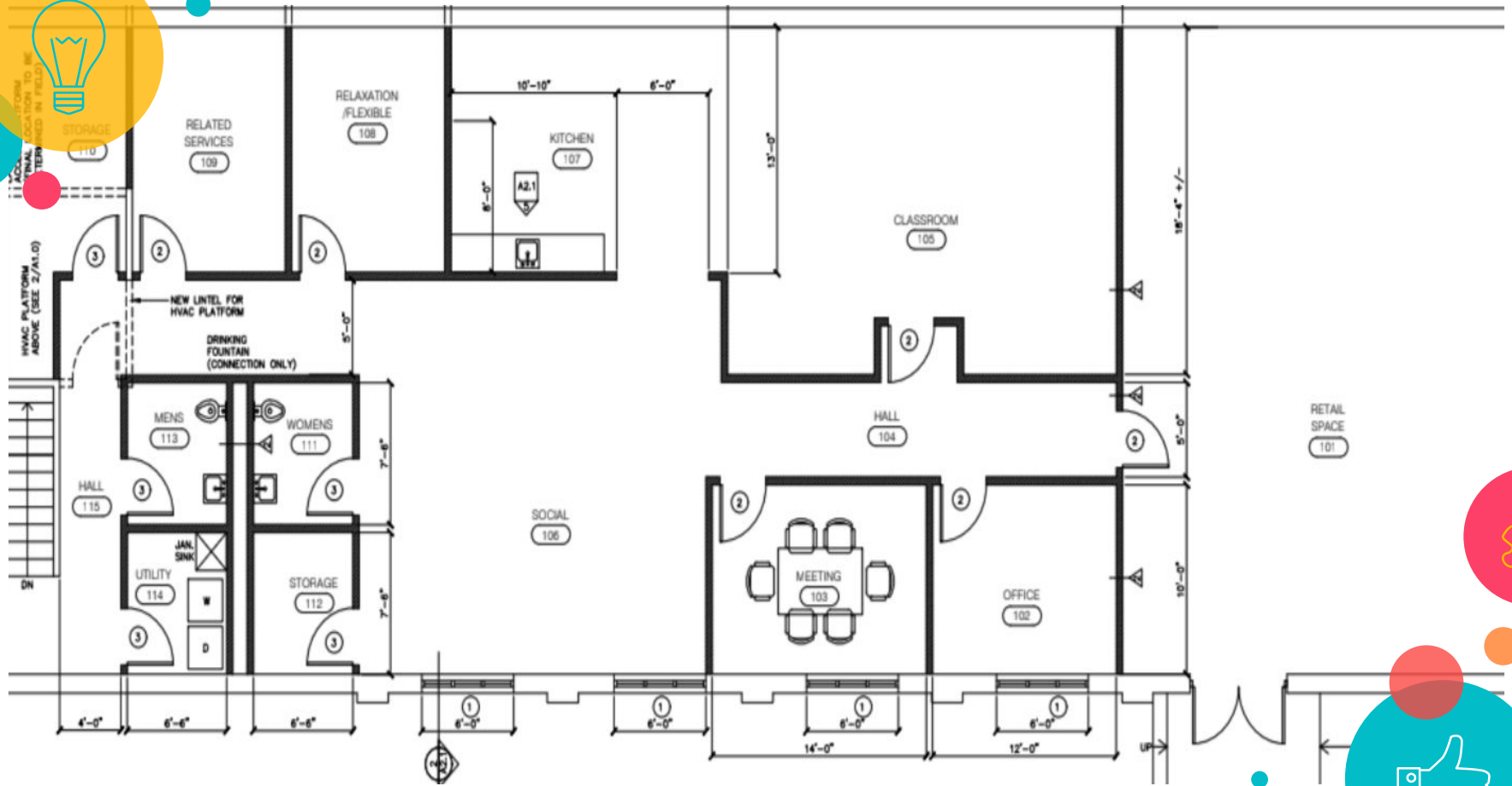
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Lease & Renovation Update

557 Main Street, Shrewsbury





Timeline

Winter

Spring

Summer

Fall

Renovations

Continue bi-weekly meetings established for design and development

Move in to our Main Street address

Graduating students and current students will have ESY at RISE

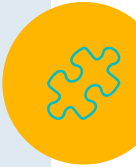
Start school year at RISE

Posting for new positions

Interview for new professional and paraprofessional positions

Field Trips for Jrs and Srs to visit new site

Soft open of business



**Thank
You!**



Survey!

- Questions?
- For up to date information regarding RISE, please check out our website <https://schools.shrewsburyma.gov/high/sped/rise>

