

In addition to the extensive career, college and financial aid features available to all students and families, **CollegInColorado.org** also offers unique features for specific populations. Additional features for persons with disabilities are highlighted below, and don't forget, much of the Website is available in Spanish. For comments or suggestions on other resources to include, please contact Trainings@cic.state.co.us.

Career Planning

Explore Careers

- The **Career Finder** tool allows students to select Physical Demands (level of effort), Physical Abilities (strength, balance, sight, hearing) and Skills to add to other items, such as subjects they like, earnings etc. to obtain a list of careers that match the criteria used.
- Each career profile includes:
 - A section on **Working Conditions** and **Physical Demands** located on the **What They Do** tab.
 - Basic, transferable, and workplace skills that are important for success in a specific career, located on the **Skills You Need** tab. These skills can be compared to the individual's own results from assessments taken in the **Learn About Yourself** section.

High School Planning

- Professionals may create a coursework **Plan of Study** template and make it available to only specific students.
- **Succeeding in High School** provides Web links and information articles important to achievement.

College Planning

Prepare for College

- Select the **College Choice** link to access the article "**College Planning for Students with Disabilities.**"
- Multiple off-site resources are provided for students with disabilities to prepare for college.
- **The Higher Education Planning Handbook** is a comprehensive high school to college transition guide for students with disabilities. The guide includes links to pertinent features of **CollegInColorado.org** that students can use while accomplishing their plan.

Explore Postsecondary Schools

- **Direct to College Connections** provide links to each Colorado colleges' **Services for Students for Disabilities** web page.
- Each **Virtual Campus Tour** has a **Learning Disabled** tab that discusses the school's programs, and a **Student Life** tab that discusses the campus environment and assistance services.
- The **School Finder** tool allows students to select **Campus Life & Services** criteria such as **Learning Assistance Services** and **Physically Disabled Services** (note-taking, reader, adaptive equipment). These can be added to other items such as school location, cost, and admissions policies to obtain a list of matching colleges.

Financial Aid Planning

- **Scholarship Finder/Your Scholarship Profile** provides a list of 40+ disability or health concerns that may be selected and used in searches for scholarships.
- The **College Scholarship List** provided by the Department of Higher Education includes a section on **Scholarships for Students with Learning Disabilities, Other Disabilities or Health-Related Issues.**

Your Portfolio

Students can record important personal information in their lifelong portfolio including some of the following features.

Your Profile

- **How You See Yourself** - Self Knowledge and Self Advocacy Strategies;
- **Looking Ahead** - Short-term, intermediate, long-term and ultimate goals, goals into action and picture of me in the future.

Career Planning

- **All about You** - Learning Style (student can self-report or recorded from the Learning Styles Inventory if licensed);
- **How You See Yourself** - Personal Values and Priorities, Life Roles, Personal Management Style.

High School Planning

- **High School Transition Plan;**
- **Planning for My Career Goals while in High School;**
- **Support for Academic Goals.**

College Planning

- **After High School Transition Plan;**
- **Education Planning Factors** - future education, training needs and barriers.

Professional Center Resources

In addition to the resources on CollegelInColorado.org, many resources can be found specific to professionals on procenter.collegeincolorado.org with school-specific access codes. Your counseling office should have the codes.

Resources

- **Lesson plans and guides** are available to professionals, including CIC Successful Transition Worksheets designed specifically for students with disabilities, but great for all students.
 - Higher Education Planning for Students With Disabilities;
 - The Arc's Self Determination Guide;
 - Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP) Sample from Residential and Day Treatment Centers.

Additional Resources

CollegelInColorado.org provides many offsite resources for students with disabilities.

- **Pre-Collegiate Directory:** This directory includes a section of programs specifically for students with disabilities and can be found on CICPartnerNetwork.org and click on **Community Partner Directory**.
- **Higher Education Planning Handbook:** A comprehensive high school to college transition guide for students with disabilities. The guide includes links to pertinent features of www.CollegelInColorado.org that students can use while accomplishing their plan.
- **Resources Booklet for Youth with Disabilities:** The Denver Interagency Team has produced a comprehensive list of support programs for this population.
- **Job Tips (do2learn.com/JobTIPS):** A free program designed to help individuals with disabilities seek and obtain employment and successfully maintain employment.
- **EducationQuest.org:** Students may order a free copy of the College Prep Handbook supplement specifically designed for students with disabilities.
- **Very Special Arts Colorado (accessgallery.org):** An inclusive nonprofit organization that engages the community by opening doors to creative and educational opportunities for people with disabilities to access and experience the arts.
- **PHAMALY.org:** The Physically Handicapped Actors & Musical Artists League (PHAMALY) is a theatre group and touring company that performs throughout the greater Denver area.
- **Unigo.com:** Takes students and families on "unofficial" student-led video and photo tours.
- **Yollege.com:** Review of everything from academics to dorms and nightlife.