State Support Team Region 1

State Support Team Region 1 services are provided to educators, agency personnel, and parents and families of children with disabilities in 13 northwest Ohio counties in the focus areas of school improvement, special education compliance, postsecondary transition, early learning and school readiness, and parent and family involvement.

The State Support Team Region 1 is located in Toledo, Ohio. Contact the State Support Team Region 1 at 800.346.8495, info@sstr1.org, or visit www.sstr1.org.

How Do I Register?

The 6th Annual Regional Transition Expo is free of charge. The target student audience is high school juniors, as well as seniors who have never attended the Expo. The target adult audience is teachers, school personnel, and parents who work with transition-age youth. Teachers and parents may attend with or without students.

The Regional Transition Expo is scheduled in two sessions per day. Participants may choose to attend the 8:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. session. Registration is required. To register, please contact Jill Barnhisel at 800.346.8495 or esclew_jb@sstr1.org.

Locations & Invited School Districts

University of Toledo
Student Union
Monday, November 9, 2015
Toledo Public Schools

University of Findlay
Alumni Memorial Union
Tuesday, November 10, 2015
Fostoria City Schools & Public and Community Schools in Hancock & Putnam Counties

Northwest Ohio
Educational Service Center
Wednesday, November 11, 2015
Public & Community Schools in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, & Williams Counties

Owens Community College
Audio/Visual Classroom Center Building 17
Thursday, November 12, 2015
Public & Community Schools in Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, & Wood Counties

6th Annual Regional Transition Expo
November 9, 10, 11, & 12, 2015
What is the Transition Expo?

The Regional Transition Expo is a free annual event that brings together educators, junior and senior high school students with disabilities, and parents to explore the many available services and resources that support students as they transition from high school.

The Regional Transition Expo will be held on November 9, 10, 11 and 12, 2015, at four locations across northwest Ohio. Attendance is divided into a morning session, from 8:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., and a mid-day session, from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

The two-hour format offers participants many opportunities to take part in discussions, attend presentations, view exhibits, and meet with staff from colleges, university, and community support agencies. The event fosters self-advocacy skills and presents information about postsecondary education, employment, and independent living options in a relaxed, enjoyable event.

The Regional Transition Expo is sponsored by State Support Team Region 1.

Keynote by LeDerick Horne

Highlighting all events is an inspirational keynote presentation by LeDerick Horne. Despite being labeled as neurologically impaired in third grade, LeDerick has become a widely-recognized dynamic spoken-word poet and tireless advocate for all people with disabilities. He uses his gift as a gateway to larger discussions on equal opportunity, pride, self-determination, and hope for people with disabilities. His message centers on increasing confidence, academic performance, and self-advocacy by challenging conventional teaching styles and asking his audience to look beyond negative labels.

OOD Panel Presentation

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) works with education as well as business partners on behalf of Ohioans with disabilities. Part of this agency’s work scope involves the importance of thoughtful transition planning for students with disabilities while they are still in school. OOD encompasses three core services. These are the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (BVR), Bureau of Services to Visually Impaired (BSVI), and Division of Disability Determination (DDD).

During each of the events, OOD staff will present a small-group session for educators, students, and parents regarding postsecondary transition.

Local, State & National Exhibitors

For the past six years, local, state, and national agencies have provided exhibits for the Regional Transition Expo, showcasing a wide range of resources and services that are available to educators, students, and parents.

Participants have the opportunity to visit the exhibits and speak with experts from agencies that support youth with disabilities during the transition to postsecondary education, employment, and independent living options and adult life.