



Georgia High School High Tech Program

Target population: Students with disabilities with average to above average IQ's who are capable of post-secondary education or going to work.

- Juniors and Seniors
- Teachers identify and refer the students to the program and coordinate the students completing the high school high tech application
- Students are referred to Vocational Rehabilitation

Focus:

- Reducing the dropout rate of students with disabilities
- Teaching students how to advocate for themselves
- Exploring career options
- Opportunity awareness
- Facilitate a successful transition to post-secondary education or gainful employment

Goal:

- Students identify a realistic vocational goal and attend post-secondary education and/or obtain employment.

Services: High School High Tech is another resource for students with disabilities. Programs can be designed to assist the school system with services for students with disabilities that are not already being provided.

Possible suggestions for services to be provided:

- Tours to post-secondary education
- Industry site visits
- Leadership opportunities
- Job Readiness (resume writing, interviewing skills, proper attire, etc.)
- Advocacy
- Financial Aide presentations
- GA411 presentations
- Job Shadowing
- College Fair Resource Day
- Job Fairs
- Computer competition – Statewide Initiative (this is not the focal point of the program but generates a lot of interest in the program)
- Summer Youth Work Initiative
- Awards Presentation to celebrate the students that participated in the program
 - Leadership opportunities speaking at the program
 - Provides an opportunity for students with disabilities to be recognized in front of their peers

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