

2023 Kansas Statutes

75-5399. Transition planning services for individuals with disabilities; definitions. As used in this act:

- (a) "Individuals with disabilities" means individuals with intellectual disability, hearing loss including deafness, speech or language disorders, visual impairments including blindness, serious emotional disability, orthopedic impairments, autism, dyslexia, traumatic brain injury, other health impairments or specific learning disabilities.
- (b) "Transition services" means a coordinated set of activities for a student, designed within an outcome-oriented process that promotes movement from school to post-school activities, including post-secondary education, vocational training, integrated employment, including supported employment, continuing and adult education, adult services, independent living or community participation. The coordinated set of activities shall be based upon the individual student's needs, taking into account the student's preferences and interests, and shall include instruction, community experiences, the development of employment and other post-school adult living objectives and, when appropriate, acquisition of daily living skills and functional vocational evaluation.
- (c) "Transition planning services" means rehabilitation counseling, information and referral to community services for students age 16 and older in secondary special education programs.
- (d) "Local education authority" means the special education interlocal or cooperative or school district responsible for the local special education program.
- (e) "Special education program" means services that are provided pursuant to public law 94-142, the education of all handicapped children's act, as implemented in Kansas through K.S.A. 72-3403 et seq., and amendments thereto, and public law 101-476, the individuals with disabilities education act.
- (f) "Secretary" means the secretary for children and families or the designee of the secretary.
- (g) "Local transition council" means a representative group of persons with disabilities and their families, school personnel, adult service agency personnel and members of the general public, such as employers, that develops an annual plan to improve secondary special education, transition and transition planning services.
- (h) "Emotional disability" means the same as the term "emotional disturbance" is used in public law 101-476, the individuals with disabilities education act.

History: L. 1992, ch. 129, § 1; L. 2012, ch. 91, § 62; L. 2014, ch. 115, § 372; L. 2022, ch. 75, § 14; L. 2023, ch. 33, § 2; July 1.