



Southeastern Massachusetts
Educational Collaborative

Students also receive instruction in planning and prioritizing daily activities with regard to jobs, school schedules, transportation, social/recreational activities and personal needs.

Programs/Services

- Job Development and Training
- Supported Employment
- Volunteer Work
- Recreational /Social Skills Training
- Partnership with UMASS Dartmouth
- Life Skills Training Apartment
- ADLS
- Drivers Education (Permit)
- Full Day, Half Day and Extended Day/Year Services Available



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Transitional Services

Providing instruction and support to maximize opportunities for independence

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OVERVIEW AND MISSION

The SMEC Transitional Services Team offers a broad range of specialized instruction to facilitate the transition of students with disabilities from school to work and from home to community.

The Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC) has established a tradition of high quality services for more than 40 years. The SMEC philosophy and mission have been forged from the belief that individuals with disabilities are also individuals with abilities who, when given the opportunity, can and do become productive members of their communities.

We recognize and respect an individual's right to make changes as needs and interests change. We provide support and instruction in a way that empowers the students and respects their rights and dignity.

Services

Students referred to the Transitional Services Program (TSP) have been identified as having ongoing instructional needs in one or more of the following areas:

Employment Skills

Functional Life Skills

Applied Academics

Independent Living Skills

Community Experiences



Instruction in these skill areas enables students with disabilities to secure gainful employment, fully participate in their community and live more independently. SMEC assists students to secure paid employment opportunities in integrated community job placements. We provide extensive job development and job coaching services, transportation assistance and ongoing social and community support. Independent living skills, ADLs and recreational opportunities are weaved throughout the curriculum.

Employment Training

Students are placed in positions based upon vocational interests and aptitude in relation to their employer's expectations. SMEC provides on-the-job training in cooperation with the employer and when appropriate, provides a job coach to work along side the student until the student attains the level of job skills needed to work independently. Our employment team provides support during school time as well as nights, weekend hours, school vacation weeks, and holidays when needed. Students also receive training in good work habits, communication, money management, and accessing community resources, including learning to use public transportation.