

INDEPENDENT EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANT

CAMPUS TOUR & CONTINUING EDUCATION

MAY 5-6, 2019

Brehm Preparatory School & OPTIONS Transitions to Independence

May
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SOCIAL MIXER

Join us in Carbondale, IL on Sunday, May 5th from 6-8 pm for Appetizers with Brehm and OPTIONS Administration & Faculty

May
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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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Beyond the Classroom: Why choosing a wrap-around, holistic boarding school approach works for students with learning disabilities (1 CE hour)

Families are sometimes hesitant to consider sending their child away from home, however, data indicates that students who are immersed in a boarding school environment have more opportunities to internalize and generalize the skills taught and learned in a classroom setting. This is especially true for students at Brehm, whose highly trained, industry-leading staff, employ the classroom skills and objectives in the boarding environment.

Aaron Lee, BA, Director of Student Life
Kenya Govan, MS Ed Associate Director of Student Life
Various Speech and Language Therapists
Pam Altman, MSW, LCSW Director of Health & Well-Being

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Are They Ready? Key questions to help assess a student with learning disabilities readiness to transition to post-secondary experiences. (1 CE hour)

Many times parents, (and students), are not truly aware of their child's readiness to transition to an independent environment; where planning and implementing activities of daily living, being successful in a classroom, and making and maintaining appropriate social relationships all fall to the young adult to manage. This presentation will provide key indicators to assess a young adult's ability to navigate an independent learning and living environment, as well as give real case studies from actual students who have made the transition with and without the needed support!

Char Reed, BS, Head of OPTIONS
Jennifer Phillips, MS, CRC Head of Administration and Outreach

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The Arrowsmith Program: Exercising the Brain (1 CE hour)

The premise of the Arrowsmith Program is that cognitive areas that contribute to a range of specific learning difficulties may be improved through targeted cognitive exercises.

Research in the area of neuroscience is leading to new insights into the ways in which the brain changes in response to experience and demonstrates that the brain is not stationary, but rather is dynamically changing and undergoes such changes throughout one's entire life. The Arrowsmith Program has proven successful with students in elementary and secondary school through to post-secondary school and with adults. Brehm has incorporated this innovative program into their curriculum for 5 years, and have seen remarkable progress in the students who participate.

Jocelyn Keehn, MS Ed, Arrowsmith Instructor
Meghan Colling-Morse, Arrowsmith Instructor
Terri Douglas, MS Ed, Head of Education and Student Services
Brad Sims, MS, Director of Student Outcomes
Special Guest, Dr. Greg Rose, Southern Illinois University School of Medicine

BREAKTHROUGH SOLUTIONS. LIFE-CHANGING RESULTS

Since 1982, Brehm Preparatory School has been empowering students with learning differences to recognize and achieve their full potential. Highly-qualified faculty and staff, including speech and language pathologists, welcome students into a dynamic new learning environment brimming with optimism. Working quickly to break down barriers, build trust, and rebuild self-confidence, they embrace students in a nurturing boarding environment where each child feels accepted and supported.

At Brehm, we succeed by helping our students become experts in their own learning styles. Students graduate with the tools, skills, and confidence to become effective self-advocates and independent learners able to succeed in school, find fulfilling careers, and lead balanced, multi-faceted lives.

DISCOVER A WORLD OF INDEPENDENCE

Since 1989, OPTIONS Transitions to Independence has been equipping young adults with learning disabilities for independence. Highly qualified staff provide instruction and support in areas where students face challenges, including academic, employment, independent living and social and emotional skills development. As students transition through the phases of OPTIONS, they develop skills and acquire the crucial tools necessary for independent life.

An affiliate of the Brehm Preparatory School, OPTIONS is a community-integrated program that has evolved and expanded services, offering both a college transition track and a certificate of completion track in a variety of vocational concentrations. If achieving and/or managing independence is a concern, OPTIONS Transitions to Independence can help.



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SCHEDULE

May 6, 2019

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Campus tour of Brehm Preparatory School

9:45 am - 10:45 am

Breakout Session 1 (1 CE hour)

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Lunch & Breakout Session 2 (1 CE hour)

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Campus tour of OPTIONS

2:15 pm - 3:15 pm

Breakout Session 3 (1 CE hour)

3:30 pm

Transportation to Hotel/St. Louis



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