

## Next steps

### Trying things out

The next step is to put the plan into action. This may include:

- work experience
- learning new skills
- voluntary work
- doing activities
- joining clubs
- trying out things in the community
- getting more information

### IDEA Services staff

Staff will work alongside you in your home or at school through the transition process.

### Accessing transition support

IDEA Services accepts referrals from students, schools and families.

### How to start

Contact your IDEA Services local area office and ask for the staff person responsible for transition. You can find the local office number in the white pages phone listing.

## Contact us

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## Transition

Supporting students to move from school to the adult world.



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## IDEA Services' transition service

IDEA Services Transition supports students to move from school to the adult world.

Students are supported to plan and move into further education, employment and local community activities in their last year of school.

*"I was a bit nervous but once I visited the day service and saw what things I could do I felt quite excited"*

*"It was good to have a plan and be asked about goals I might have when I finish college at the end of the year. It made me think*

### Who is eligible?

**Students who are eligible for transition support must be:**

- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident currently living in New Zealand
- aged between 16 and 21
- funded by Ongoing Resourcing Scheme (ORS)
- in their final year of school



*"I thought it was cool I was going to get help to find a job when I leave school"*

## Transition – the process

### How does it work?

**IDEA Services works with the student and their support network to:**

- develop a Transition Plan
- coordinate activities and experiences identified in the plan
- make referrals and links to other services and agencies
- achieve the student's goals

**Transition can assist with:**

- making a smooth entry into the adult world
- providing opportunities to try new things
- increasing confidence in students
- coordinating and linking with other services and agencies

### Planning

Transition planning is a team process. The team includes the student at the centre, their family and whanau, friends, school staff and others. They all work together to develop a Transition Plan that meets the student's needs and wishes.

The team may need to meet more than once to develop the plan.