

Grant Title

Building Capacity to Create Work Experiences (ACE V)
January 2010 – January 2011

Purpose:

Improve employment outcomes for transition-age students with disabilities.

Project Description

This innovative program will implement a course in a career based context integrating reading and mathematics skills. The course will be taught by a specialist supporting the emotional needs of students identified with behavior disorders.

Students will learn skills that address objectives required to pass a Microsoft Certified Application Specialist exam. Students will meet short term objectives such as formatting text, paragraphs, and document elements; changing document properties, and formatting cells in an Excel worksheet. Microsoft Office skills will be applied to reading and mathematics strategies including vocabulary development, question generating, and solving problems using multiple representations.

Staff Involved

Curriculum will be developed by teams made up of a licensed teacher in reading, a licensed teacher in math, a licensed work experience teacher, and a licensed EBD teacher.

Instruction will be delivered by the licensed EBD teacher, with support from the other specialists in delivering the curriculum.

Funding

Funding will support a project manager, curriculum writing teams, professional development and mentoring, instructional supplies, and materials needed for the Microsoft Office course.