

Critical Steps to Postsecondary Education and STEM Careers Checklist

Name: _____ Date: _____

- ☐ Development of a personal guide or checklist to use in reviewing potential postsecondary institutions. (This may include specific policies related to accommodations; whether the types of accommodations you may need are typically provided; the accessibility of various instructional technologies; the experience of other students with disabilities similar to yours; the availability of assistive technologies; the availability of support for participation in the social life of the campus; etc.).
- ☐ Identification of possible STEM careers that you would like to pursue.
- ☐ Identification of specific college programs or majors that you could enter and that would help you achieve your career goals.
- ☐ Identification of potential colleges or universities.
- ☐ Finding out what coursework you need in high school in order to pursue various STEM majors.
- ☐ Reviewing potential colleges and universities online using your personal guide/checklist.
- ☐ Investigating disability support services at each school you are considering.
- ☐ Identification of testing that is required for admission to various colleges or universities (e.g. SATs, ACTs).
- ☐ Requesting accommodations for required testing.
- ☐ Completion of required testing.
- ☐ Applications to colleges or universities.

Institution:

Date Submitted:

School Visits:

- ☐ Discussions with project staff, family members or others about the pros and cons of disclosure and to whom you might disclose your disability.
- ☐ Determining what documentation of disability will be needed for potential schools.
- ☐ Determining how you will obtain documentation that you may need at potential schools.
- ☐ Finding out what the academic requirements will be for various STEM majors at potential schools.
- ☐ Applying for financial aid.
- ☐ Responding to colleges or universities in a timely way.
- ☐ Participate in mentorship.
- ☐ Participate in internship.
- ☐ Complete postsecondary transition portfolio (hard copy or electronic).