

Where to Begin

- Paul Tripp, *Age of Opportunity: A Biblical Guide to Parenting Teens*. Not special needs, just wise parenting. Good advice on attitudes.
- [HSLDA's special needs department](#) offers help and a [good newsletter](#).
- Homeschool2college Yahoo group, parents discuss preparing students for college.
- Kathy Kuhl's *Homeschooling Your Struggling Learner*.
- [At LearnDifferently.com](#), search "teen" for resources, reviews, and suggestions.

Planning and Transcripts

- [HSLDA's high school department](#) help on planning, transcripts, resources, and vocations.
- Janice Campbell. *Transcripts Made Easy*. [everyday-education.com](#), where she also sells Norm Whan's *How to Change a Tire and 132 Basic Life Skills*.
- [Inexpensive online transcript service](#) from Home Educators Association of Virginia.

Teaching Tools and Tips

- Chris Dendy. *Teaching Teens with ADD, ADHD, and Executive Function Deficits*. Also see her *Teenagers with ADD: A Parents' Guide*. [ChrisDendy.com](#)
- EPSbooks [eps.schoolspecialty.com/](#) has many great resources.
- Harold Jacobs wrote *Elementary Algebra; Geometry: Seeing, Doing Understanding*, and especially *Mathematics: A Human Endeavor: A Book For Those Who Think They Don't Like the Subject*, great for teens who need more high school math credit. It presents college level math topics like combinatorics and topology without algebra.
- "Hi-lo" books (high interest/low readability) help struggling or reluctant readers practice. Includes high school texts at easier reading level, e.g. High Noon, Remedia.
- "Ten Resources For Modified Instructional Reading Texts" at [SPEDhomeschool.com](#), and also [HomeschoolingWithDyslexia.com](#)
- [KhanAcademy.org](#) Free online 4,000 videos and 100 self-paced exercises and assessments covering everything from arithmetic to physics, finance, and history." Free.

Consider outsourcing high school subjects you don't want to teach through local homeschool groups, community colleges, or online programs, including:

- Learning Abled Kids recommends online and correspondence programs. [Learningabledkids.com/college_and_high_school/high_school_options.htm](#)
- [Hewitthomeschooling.com](#) correspondence courses, with a special needs track.

Study/Organization Tools

- Gloria Frender. *Learning to Learn: Revised Edition*.
- Marydee Sklar's website, [ExecutiveFunctioningSuccess.com](#) and her book, *50 Tips to Help Students Succeed*, reviewed on my website.

A Few Examples of Assistive Technology

- Best set of resources: Joan Green's site, innovativeSpeech.com & her book. Learn what tools are already in your computer, tablet, and phone and how to use them. Free webinars. Personalized consultations available.
- Text-to-speech readers, like NaturalReaders.com, which has a free version.
- Digital voice recorders help students who cannot take notes.
- SmartPens from LiveScribe.com
- Software assists with writing 1) check Joan Green's site, above 2) Free 30 day trial of WordQ QuillSoft.ca 2) Dragon Naturally Speaking at SpeakingNaturally.com,
- Recorded books: 1) BookShare.org 2) LearningAlly.org (formerly Recordings for the Blind and Dyslexic) 3) Audio books 4) free audio books at LibriVox.org
- Aegir and other SmartPens record and link audio to written notes, can be uploaded and replayed LiveScribe.com

Transition to College: Start reading these 3-4 years early, even if not sure about college.

- Carol Reynolds, Ph.D., *Why Freshmen Fail and How to Avoid It!* (Reviewed on my blog.)
- Attention Deficit Disorder Association. *ADD: Transition to College -- Passport for Success*. Purchase this video at www.addvance.com/bookstore/young.html
- Charles T. Mangrum II, Ed.D., and Stephen S. Strichart, Ph.D., eds. *Peterson's Colleges with Programs for Students with Learning Disabilities or Attention Deficit Disorders*.
- CHADD.org search "Succeeding College."
- Kathleen G. Nadeau, Ph.D. *Survival Guide for College Students with ADHD or LD*. Chesapeakeadd.com.
- Patricia Quinn, M.D. *ADD and the College Student: A Guide for High School and College Students with Attention Deficit Disorder*.
- Henry B. Reiff, Ph.D. *Self-Advocacy Skills for Students with Learning Disabilities*. Port Chester, New York: National Professional Resources, 2007. www.NPRinc.com Dr. Reiff gives practical help. In passing, he makes the case for attending a liberal arts college with strong support for students with disabilities, rather than a college specifically for students w/ LD. Reviewed on my website.
- Hal and Melanie Young, *Help is on the Way: A Homeschooler's Guide to Accommodations for the SAT, ACT, and College*. 2018. Reviewed on my website.

Transition to Work or College

- Carol Topp. *Microbusiness for Teens*. microbusinessforteens.com/ has helpful tools and video clips to help teens start their own businesses.
- Temple Grandin, Ph.D., & Kate Duffy. *Developing Talents*. Autism Asperger Publishing.
- Temple Grandin, Ph.D., and Sean Barron, *Unwritten Rules of Social Relationships*.
- ADDitude magazine's website has a section on adults with ADD/LD. www.additudemag.com/channel/adult-add-adhd/index.html

- Learning Disabilities Association has articles on workplace issues. LDAmerica.org/adults/
- DyslexicAdvantage.com offers dozens of videos of dyslexics working in many fields.
- Dale S. Brown. *Learning a Living: A Guide to Planning Your Career and Finding a Job for People with Learning Disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorder, and Dyslexia*. Out of print, but on Amazon.
- Dale Brown's book, *Steps to Independence for People with Learning Disabilities* is available for download free. Link at LearnDifferently.com
- National Resource Center on ADHD, has several articles on "Living with ADHD: Workplace Issues," including the military. CHADD.org
- Anne Ford with John-Richard Thompson. *On Their Own: Creating an Independent Future for Your Adult Child with Learning Disabilities and ADHD*.
- LDonline has useful articles available on their *Transition: School to Work* page, including "College or Training Programs: How to Decide," and "Transition and Self-Advocacy." www.LdOnline.org/indepth/transition
- Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council.

Colleges for Struggling Learners

- As you visit colleges, go to the campus center coordinating services for students with disabilities, ask (or better, have your teen ask) what services they provide, & how to get them. Off-campus private organizations provide assistance and coaching.
- Several colleges including RIT, have special programs for students on spectrum.
- Landmark College, VT, for LD www.landmark.edu, Beacon College, in Leesburg, Florida <http://www.beaconcollege.edu/>, Gallaudet University, for hearing impaired, in Washington DC, Muskingum, Marshall University, and many more.
- More colleges have programs for students with intellectual disabilities. For example Shepherds College and programs listed by the Dream Partnership. Programs at Vanderbilt, Syracuse, and more described here.