## Jeffco Transition Services (JTS) 18-21 Services



*UCHealth *Children's Hospital Colorado	<ul> <li>Gain meaningful employment skills through full immersion into a professional work environment.</li> <li>Explore different career interests</li> <li>Opportunity to practice independent living skills, public transportation, self-advocacy</li> <li>Eligibility determined and services available through multiple community partners</li> <li>Follow along services provided by partner agencies to obtain competitive employment</li> </ul>
STEP UP –Secondary Transition to Employment Program *USGS –Federal Center	<ul> <li>The U. S. Geological Survey has established a partnership with Jeffco Transition Services. Through the partnership, students with disabilities (ages 18-21) volunteer at USGS to gain valuable job skills to support their goals of seeking employment and living independently.</li> <li>Job skills are geared towards technology and data entry based employment</li> <li>Opportunities for job and career exploration</li> <li>Environment is geared towards students passionate in science and enjoy being surrounded by others that are equally passionate in this field</li> <li>Off campus classroom, independent use of RTD is preferred, but travel training is available</li> <li>Follow along services provided by partner agencies to obtain competitive employment</li> </ul>
LEAP- A community based transition program	<ul> <li>What does it mean to be a community based transition program?</li> <li>Opportunity to practice community access skills, money management, job readiness and social skills.</li> <li>Connections with adult service agencies</li> <li>Students receive immediate RTD training from LEAP staff to learn to independently travel to class and work sites from their homes.</li> <li>Classes are held at library and recreation centers around the Jeffco and Denver metro area. Classes take place 2 days a week.</li> <li>Students participate in one community based work experience each semester. Work experiences take place 2 days a week. Students also have the option of applying for long term paid employment.</li> <li>O Job sites are developed based on students interest as well as identified skill development.</li> <li>Students are expected to be safe and responsible while in the community without the presence of staff.</li> </ul>

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## **Community Hubs:**

- \*Central Area Transition Services (CATS)-Rose Stein Cottages
- \*North Area Transition Services (NATS) Arvada West HS
- \*Northeast Transition (NET) Sobesky Academy
- \*South Area Transition Services (SATS) Dakota Ridge HS

Community based career & employment, post-secondary education and adult independent living experiences.

- Community access strictly via RTD, Light Rail and Access-a-Ride.
- Unpaid and/or volunteer work experiences with community partners, during school hours.
- Developing employability resources such as resume, cover letter, completing applications, answering interview questions, etc.
- RTD travel training through JTS, Via Mobility and/or RTD.
- Functional academics in all settings.
- Adult Independent activities such as grocery shopping, meal planning, cooking, pre-vocational skills and community exploration for recreation and leisure.
- Researching post-secondary education options and connecting with post-secondary education experiences of interest.
- Connection and collaboration with adult agencies.

## Miller/Lighthouse

\*Fletcher Miller School

Combination of community and center based instruction that supports the development of the whole learner via multidisciplinary teams.

- The primary focus is on individual needs in the areas of medical, physical, social/emotional and communication.
- Instruction focus in the areas of prevocational skills, functional communication, and life skills to prepare individuals for supported living environments and supported adult programs in their postsecondary lives.
- Eligibility determination is made by an IEP team selecting the separate school setting as the least restrictive environment. (requires SPED Partner involvement for placement decisions)