



# *Pathway to Youth Life Skills*



## Referral:

Referrals to Youth Life Skills (YLS) are often made through a student's home school administrator or guidance counselor. Academic assessment and documentation must be completed prior to student (s) enrollment in Youth Life Skills.

## Schedule Academic Skills Assessment:

The T.A.B.E. (Test of Adult Basic Education) is required of all students excluding summer school students. It is given every other Wednesday starting August 17, 2016 – pending holidays and weather closings. (Additional dates will be added at a later date.) Students who plan to take the assessment should pre-register for the assessment. Students taking the assessment should report to Youth Life Skills, 1200 South Barr Street, lower level Rm. 14A by 8:00 A.M. The assessment will begin promptly at 8:00 A.M. and will take approximately three hours to complete. The completed T.A.B.E. will assist students, parents, and staff in assessing the student's academic status. Students are required to score a minimum of 7.0 to gain regular acceptance into the program.

## Pass/Fail:

Students are required to score 7.0 or above on the T.A.B.E. Students scoring 7.0 or higher will be considered a tentative contender for Youth Life Skills or be placed on a waiting list pending availability – if slots are filled.

Students who fail to attain a 7.0 will be given the opportunity to retest or will be referred to another educational program for remediation in hope of increasing academic level.

## Acceptance into Youth Life Skills:

Whenever feasible, students accepted into Youth Life Skills (YLS) will be encouraged to pursue his or her high school diploma (C-40, C-40 with Technical or C-40 with honors). The crucial conversations about alternative pathways to obtaining the student's education rest with the home school and the student's family. The deciding factor (s) will depend on the student's age, ECA status, and the number of credits the student has accumulated while enrolled in a comprehensive high school.

Students who plan to enroll in courses at Youth Life Skills will be required to bring a copy of his or her most recent high school transcript, a current referral form (signed and filled out by an administrator of the home school) and a copy of his/her most recent ECA scores. The aforementioned documents can be secured from the guidance department at the student's home school. Inappropriate documents and or missing documents will result in delayed enrollment.

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