13 Identify Your Transportation Needs



TRANSITION OBJECTIVE

Students will determine their needs for getting around in the community.

RELEVANCE TO SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION

To effectively plan for a future career, it is important to know how one will get places, such as participating in training programs and interviews, getting applications, typing forms, getting to work and getting information from a specific location in the community. Solving transportation issues ahead of time can make the difference between getting and keeping a job and remaining unemployed.

INSTRUCTIONAL SEQUENCE

□ STEP 1: Update Journal

Ways I get around include . . .

STEP 2: Convene Roundtable

"When I can't get where I need to go, I feel

□ STEP 3: Advance Organizer

"Today you will determine your transportation needs."



STEP 4: Activity - 30 Minutes

Have students complete the **Transportation Needs** survey with you on the screen image. Offer suggestions and ideas as you discuss each section. Students check the box for any of the items that best applies to them, then answer the questions under the item.

STEP 5: Activity - 15 Minutes

After going through the survey, have students discuss their answers with a partner. They then carefully consider their answer for the last item, "My greatest transportation need is..." After pairs have discussed all of the issues, each student will answer the last item on the Transportation survey.

STEP 6: Evaluate Outcomes

Getting where I need to go on my own makes me feel "_____."

STEP 7: Connecting Activity

Have some students go online, telephone or email local public transportation agencies for general information about cost, routes and hours. Students can contact bus, subway, train, taxi and medical van services specified for people with special needs, by going online or looking in the yellow pages for phone numbers and calling to get information on cost, routes and hours. Students report this information and compare the findings in class.

KEY WORDS				
transportation	transit	taxi	subway	carpool
MATERIALS AND PRE	PARATION			
Student Han	dout: Transportatio	on Needs, page 18	36.	
Prepare a so	creen image of ha	ndout.		
Prepare to c	offer suggestions a	bout transportation	n needs.	
SCANS FOUNDATION	SKILLS			

- Basic Academic Skills: Reading, Math, Writing, Listening
- Thinking Skills: Creative Thinking, Problem Solving, Decision Making
- Personal Qualities: Responsibility, Self-Esteem, Self-Management