

Kendall County Special Education Cooperative

BEYOND C-LEVEL PROGRAM

Purpose

The purpose of Beyond C-Level program is to provide high school aged special education students for whom traditional educational service delivery options have not been successful an opportunity to gain credits leading to a diploma. The Beyond C-Level program allows high school students to work at their own pace with a flexible schedule in a special education setting that provides academic and social work support.

Program Goals

- To provide academic instruction and credit acquisition through an individualized computer based curriculum.
- To provide an alternative route to graduation for special education students who are at risk of dropping out.
- To provide an opportunity to recover credits for special education students who are significantly behind in credits toward graduation.
- To provide services both during and after traditional school attendance hours to accommodate students' work or other schedules.
- To provide academic and social work support to maximize educational success.

Entrance Criteria

- Determination of special education eligibility and student's IEP team recommendation that an alternative service delivery option is appropriate.
- A determination by the school-based IEP team that the student's needs cannot be met in a less restrictive program.
- Documentation of the interventions implemented previously and the resulting data.

Exit Criteria

- A student may exit the Beyond C-Level program based upon the C-Level and school-based IEP team's determination that a different program would better address the student's needs.

- Students will exit the Beyond C-Level program upon acceptance of a high school diploma or reaching the age of 22.
- A student will exit the Beyond C-Level program upon the determination that he/she is no longer eligible for special education services.
- A student may exit the Beyond C-Level program if the parent (or student if 18 years of age) chooses to discontinue services.

Available Beyond C-Level Programs

- Beyond C-Level Classrooms. This classroom, located at Opportunity School, provides support to students working at their own pace in a computer based curriculum. There are morning and late afternoon sessions for schedule flexibility as well as an extended school year session. Students are provided with academic and social work support. Credits and instruction are coordinated with each student's home high school leading to a diploma from their district of residence.

Related services are provided to Beyond C-Level program students according to their IEP.