**TRANSMITION UPDATES**

In February, our seniors met with their DVR counselors and a woman from the TRIO Program at the Educational Opportunity Center based on the Community College of Denver's campus. They learned about how they can get support as they go on to college or to a job. They also got one-on-one help to complete the FAFSA so they can get money to go to college! During the month of March, they will have one-on-one Senior meetings with our Transition Teacher to ensure that their journey into the real world is a successful one.

**Internship Class Trips**

The internship class did an apartment research project and visited IKEA as they picked out furniture for their future apartment. Then they went on an apartment tour at Bear Valley Village to learn about the apartment application, lease, and the costs included in renting an apartment. To celebrate their hard work, they will go on a trip to the Colorado Mills Mall, where they will learn how to be independent.

In March, the internship students will be visiting Warren Tech Automotive Program so they can learn how to change the oil in their car.

**High School Community Hour Events**

On February 2nd, Kristy Ramos, Gallaudet Admission Counselor, came to present to our middle and high school students so they can learn more about the opportunities for them at Gallaudet after they graduate.

On February 10th, Rachel and Nick Kaputska came to our Transition Community Hour to share their story about how they started their own business as Chiropractors.
On February 24th, Sprint Relay's Kris Shipley and Tatyana Mezentseva came to share about Sprint's 25 years of innovation and success as they provide opportunities for people with hearing and speech disabilities all over the world. (visit http://www.sprintrelay.com/celebrating-25-years for more details)

On March 7th, the high school students will be going to Finance Park, where "students become an adult for the day and immerse themselves in a reality-based decision-making process addressing aspects of individual family budgeting, including housing, transportation, food, utilities, healthcare, investments, philanthropy and banking." (http://www.jacolorado.org/finance-park-2/)

Students will also be preparing for national tests like the PSAT, SAT, and the state PARCC and CMAS tests that will be happening in April. You can remind your students to practice their skills by visiting www.khanacademy.org/sat and https://parcc.pearson.com/practice-tests/.

Contact Heather at HHapke@rmds.co to learn more about what is happening in the Transition world!