

# Institute for Innovative Transition - Timeline



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December 14, 2006

"In the Balance: Successfully Transitioning to a Meaningful Adult Life": Collaborative community report funded by the Golisano Foundation to expose the voices of many addressing issues of transition in the Rochester Community.

June 5, 2008

Launch of the Institute for Innovative Transition funded by the Golisano Foundation and in partnership with the University of Rochester.

November 2008

Information and Referral Call Center opened as a resource for students, parents, teachers, and other advocates to answer questions surrounding transition.

February 2009

IIT website went "live."

April 2009

"Community Resources" page made available on the IIT website.

May 2009

IIT Principle Investigator Invited to a national developmental disabilities network meeting.

January 23, 2008

Over 35 individual meetings held focusing on sharing the findings of "In the Balance," seeking opportunities for future collaboration, and advocating for systems change.

October 2008

The Strong Center for Developmental Disability Advisory Council began meeting to support the Institute for Innovative Transition.

December 2008

Key presentations made to the FLDDSO and the Rochester City School District regarding the IIT initiatives and opportunities.

January 2009

First meeting of the Transition Leadership Council held for students in Monroe County facing transition.

February 2009

Site visit to Keuka College with IIT staff and other community partners to observe campus-based programming options.

May 2009

Site visit to Cincinnati Children's Hospital to observe the original Project SEARCH location.



2006

2009

October 30, 2007

State Level Agency Meeting with key representatives from the Governor's Office, Golisano Foundation, VESID, Finger Lakes DDSO, OMRDD, and NYSED.

September 2008

In partnership with the DDSO three student interns began year-long internships at the Rochester City School District, ARC of Monroe, and Kirch Developmental Center.

November 2008

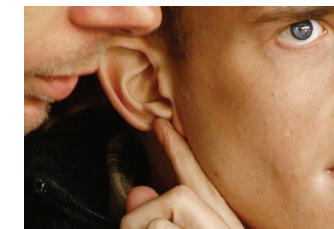
Site visit to Buffalo State College with IIT staff and other professionals in the Rochester area to observe campus-based programming efforts.

February 2009

Regional-pilot efforts between the DDSO and the RCSD were implemented and meetings for families and students facing transition in the RCSD were available at a Hart Street location; first effort of its kind between the DDSO and RCSD.

May 2009

"Key of G" documentary presented at the Dryden Theatre at the George Eastman House as a result of multiple community and national partnerships.



May 2009

Special Education Teacher survey distributed via a partnership with the Midwest Transition Center to better understand teachers' perceptions and understanding about issues surrounding transition.

May 12, 2008

Report and proposal submitted to the B. Thomas Golisano Foundation for a "Partnership in Transition Project."

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March 2009

Erin Riehle visited from the Project SEARCH headquarters in Ohio to offer technical assistance to all the partners collaborating on Project SEARCH; Project SEARCH was receiving national recognition from the founding members.

May 2009

Key meetings with high-level officials at the Rochester City School District regarding issues surrounding transition, Project SEARCH, and continued opportunities for professional development.