In Partnership

The Arc of the Farmington Valley-Favarh and Tunxis Community College have renewed their partnership and commitment to preparing students, and youth with disabilities for transition through a full immersion in college life.

The **River Bend Transition Academy**, formerly known as the Favarh Transition Academy established in 2008, offers students (ages 18-21) and youth with disabilities (ages 21-24) academic, social and vocational opportunities through campus and community-based experiences.



Tunxis Community College

Testimonials

"Region 10 has been fortunate to have **River Bend Transition Academy** as a transition program option for students. Our students have successfully experienced college, taken courses, and earned credits in a supportive program which prepares them for adult life after school. (Linda J. Carabis, Director, Student Support Services; Regional School District 10)

"My biggest successes at the RBTA have been deciding what to do with my life and pursuing my hobby/interest as a career choice. " (Dustin A.)

"RBTA has helped me to grow as a person and start becoming a more mature adult. My new goals are to graduate with a degree and move on to a university, refine my skills and pursue a higher degree." (Kyle S.)

"As I start my 2nd year at RBTA, my goals are to get all my work in on time and not procrastinate and to get a B- or better in each calss." (John C.)



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River Bend Transition Academy



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in partnership with

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welcomes students and youth with

disabilities (ages to 18-24) to a full college-based transition experience



Who should apply to RBTA?

- RBTA serves a wide range of students and youth with disabilities including students with autism, learning disabilities, ADD/ADHD, emotional disturbance, intellectual disabilities, etc
- Applicants must be between the ages of 18-24 years of age
- Applicants must have completed requirements for their high school diploma. However course credit at RBTA can be used to fulfill diploma requirements
- Applicants must be able to self-administer medication and care for personal needs
- Applicants must be motivated to attend and fully participate in program activities
- Applicants must be able to comply with rules and expectations in the community college setting

*Sample Weekly schedule

- 2 days of coursework
- 1 study day
- 1 community-based (paid) internship
- 1 campus-based internship

*individualized programming may alter this sample schedule



Program Model

Designed as a full college immersion experience, the River Bend Transition Academy offers the following opportunities with supports for students (ages 18-21) and youth (ages 21-24) with disabilities.

- Enrollment in courses for credit
- Auditing courses of interest
- Academic supports
- Campus-based and community-based internships & employment with job coach supports
- Peer mentor connections
- Linkages to college clubs and activities
- Connections to all supports and services available on campus
- Self Advocacy skill development
- Linkages to adult services
- Transportation training
- Assessment and development of independent living skills
- Supports for transition to 4-year colleges and universities



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For more information about *River Bend Transition Academy*

at Tunxis Community College visit our website at:

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