

What are your students who are blind or visually impaired going to do after high school?

If they have unmet transition needs in living, learning and working, 4PLUS is for them! 4PLUS is a post-high school transition program offering room, board, transportation, tutoring and job coaching opportunities for Iowa students on IEPs entering the adult world.



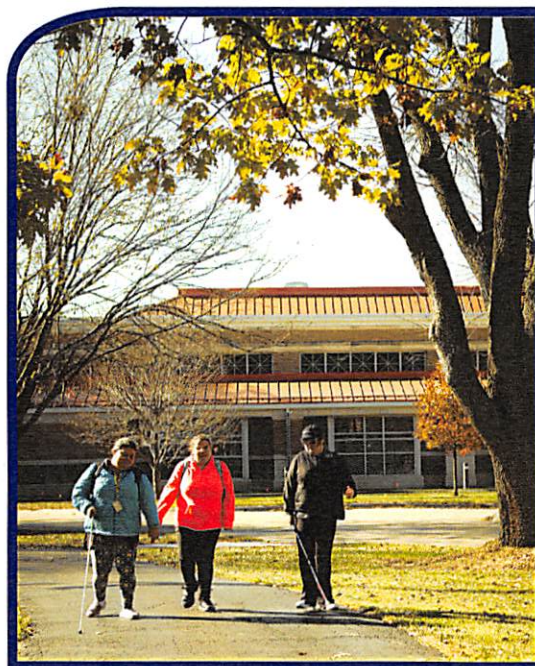
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Meet all requirements for high school graduation but not received a diploma
- ✓ IEP team has determined there are unmet transition or expanded core curriculum needs
- ✓ Under the age of 22
- ✓ IEP review by Iowa School for the Deaf to ensure program can meet student needs
- ✓ Ability to participate in dorm activities including self-care without 1:1 paraeducator

Our home-like dorms and campus setting offer the college experience. This venue compliments the independent living skills aspect of the expanded core curriculum.

Explore the 4PLUS program

Students, their families and Individual Education Program (IEP) teams are encouraged to explore 4PLUS as juniors and seniors. Referral to 4PLUS is determined by the IEP team.



Some paid work and work experience placements through IESBVI 4PLUS have included:

Kohl's
Cheddar's
Casey's
Fareway
HyVee

Outlook Nebraska
Goodwill
Animal shelter
Homeless facility
Nursing home

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Free for families!

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4 Post-senior Learning for Ultimate Success

An education-based transition program exclusively for Iowa's post-high school seniors who are blind or visually impaired



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A transition program that works.

Know a teen who is blind or visually impaired with unmet transition needs?

4PLUS was designed for them. Iowa Educational Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired created this transition program to provide extra support between high school and college or work. Teachers in 4PLUS provide classes in expanded core curriculum and support for students enrolled into local community colleges. 4PLUS also offers opportunities for job shadowing, work experience and obtaining employment.

PARENTS' TOP 10 LIST ABOUT 4PLUS

1. Individualized programming
2. 24-hour campus health center
3. 4PLUS is free; no cost to parents
4. Students go home every weekend
5. Transported to doorstep
6. Students use functional vision
7. Sports and activity opportunities
8. Social skills are specifically taught
9. Work and work experience offered
10. Transition skills for community college classes



No cost for families

Tutoring, life skills training, room, board and program-related transportation* are provided as a service of 4PLUS (no billing for these services). School districts may be charged for assistive technology, equipment, college and job-related expenses. *See page F on the IEP page or call (319) 310-3408 for more information.



Help with employment

IESBVI staff work with 4PLUS students on job searches, expanding networks, completing applications and practice interviews. There are paid and non-paid work experiences as well as volunteer community experiences. On-the-job coaching and on-the-job evaluation are provided. Students may work up to 30 hours a week. See back cover for where our students work.



What about college?

Is college right for my student? Students can sample classes and utilize tutors at a local community college. Dozens of certificate or technical programs are offered. College credit is earned. Students may take up to 9 credits per semester.



A typical day at 4PLUS

When students aren't working, attending college or involved in a community service, they work on components of the expanded core curriculum, such as:

- Compensatory or functional academic skills, including communication modes
- Orientation and mobility
- Social interaction skills
- Independent living skills
- Recreation and leisure skills
- Career education
- Technology
- Sensory efficiency skills
- Self-determination



Students are required to attend at least 10 hours of class on the 4PLUS campus each week.

