

A Summary from former DSS Coordinator email -Thursday, February 23, 2017 about the DSS External and Internal Training/Reaching Activities.

External Reaching Activities of the DSS Coordinator:

- Presented "Transition from High School to College" information at fall training meeting for Crestview High School ESE Teachers, 9/12.
- Presented "Transition from High School to College" information at fall training meeting for Niceville High School ESE Teachers, 9/13.
- Presenting "Disability Self Disclosure" information at workshop for parents of local High School Students with disabilities.
- Presenting "Transition from High School to College" information at spring High School Guidance Counselor meeting.
- Co-sponsored (with faculty member, Donna Pierson) the "Educational Interpreter Project Professional Development Weekend," a state funded training program for educational interpreters from the panhandle region. This was the first time the training was held in this area. Turnout was very strong (around 50 interpreters), and the Coordinator of the project, Shannon Simon from UNF, voiced a desire to bring the training back to NWFSC next year.
- Provided disability services information table at College Night for local high school students.
- Provided an information booth at the CareerSource Okaloosa/Walton Disability Awareness Information and Resource Expo providing information regarding services for students with disabilities on campus.
- Participated in the Transition Consortium for Okaloosa/Walton/Escambia Counties.
- Attended IEP transition meetings at local high schools for students planning to attend NWF.
- Met several times with local Vocational Rehabilitation counselors alone or with their clients who are considering attending NWF.
- Presented "You Can Be Successful" (RE successful transition to a college or university) at Career Quest for local High School Students with disabilities.
- Presented at "Narrowing the Gulf" state conference on underrepresented students.

Internal Reaching Activities of the DSS Coordinator:

- Presented "Working with DSS" brief information at several Department Meetings.
- Presented a Learning Disabilities awareness workshop to Teacher Education Students each semester this year.
- Coordinated DSS "Disability Simulation Activities" table for Spring Fling.
- Presented disability services, tutoring services, and Success Strategies at two New Student Orientation programs.
- Presented "Success Strategies for the Dental Student" workshop for incoming Dental Students.
- Presented "Working with Students with Disabilities" New Faculty/Adjunct workshop.
- Member of panel Discussion for returning adjunct faculty.
- Worked with acting VP of Academic Affairs to initiate a "508 Compliance" Committee to look at campus disability-related access to web and print materials.
- Presented "NWF Service Animal" policy and offered chance for questions/discussions at various department meetings for faculty and chairs.
- Presented at "Student Affairs Registration Updates" regarding referring students to DSS and the provision of services couple times this year.
- Participated in Camtasia training to investigate captioning solutions.
- Participated in "TBI Training" at Collegiate High School.
- Participated in various committees (Chair of ADA, 508, and Substitution committees and member of CARE Team and Safety Committee, and non-voting member of Curriculum Committee).
- Participated in BITA, Crisis Intervention, 2 day training.