

Transition From High School to University

Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) is governed by different policies, procedures and legislation than are High Schools. It is important to be aware of these differences, as this will assist the transition process for the student, families and advocates.

Topic	High School	University
Identify Disability	School identifies students with disabilities.	Students with disabilities identify themselves to SSD
Accommodation Decisions	Parent/Guardians/Teachers are responsible for decisions about accommodations.	SSD in consultation with students are solely responsible for decisions about accommodations which are based on documentation.
Information for Instructors	The school is responsible for informing teachers of accommodation needs.	Students are responsible for communicating directly with instructors regarding SSD approved accommodation.
Learning Support	Learning resources support is the responsibility of school administrators and teachers. (ie. learning resource teacher, IEP's)	Accessing learning resource support is the responsibility of the students. (ie. learning centre, tutoring, study skills, Learning Specialist)
Advocacy for Students	Parents or school officials are the primary advocate for the student.	Students are responsible for their own advocacy.
Legislation	The School Act.	Human Rights Code. Protection of Privacy University Act.

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