



Introduction

PIC engaged youth and families through a series of trainings focused on transition planning, which culminated in a Mini Conference held at the end of the summer. Transition planning can feel overwhelming once students turn 14. To address this, PIC has partnered with stakeholders across Delaware, including the Department of Education, to begin early preparation by equipping students with essential self-advocacy skills

iDecide

In Spring 2024, PIC hosted a series of youth trainings on topics such as self-advocacy, goal planning, self-determination, and student-led IEPs. The goal of these trainings was not only to increase student involvement in transition planning but also to build the capacity of families in preparation for the Mini Youth Leadership Conference in August 2024. Youth participants played an active role in planning and promoting the conference, including participating in several Facebook Live events where student and parent panelists discussed the importance of attending.

The conference featured both a parent and a student track, ensuring that all participants received the same critical information in formats tailored to their needs. We partnered with several agencies involved in transition services to provide workshops and resources to attendees. During the event, students also helped select the name and logo for the new youth initiative, which is now known as iDecide.

Following the conference, we continued our work into Fall 2024 by offering additional transition planning trainings and launching a series of Transition Focus Groups.

IMPACT

Through our partnerships and conversations with youth, we were able to identify key needs that students have in order to begin effective transition planning. This allowed us to connect them with relevant resources and supports. We are also collaborating with national youth organizations to engage youth in the planning process and gather their feedback to help shape future initiatives.



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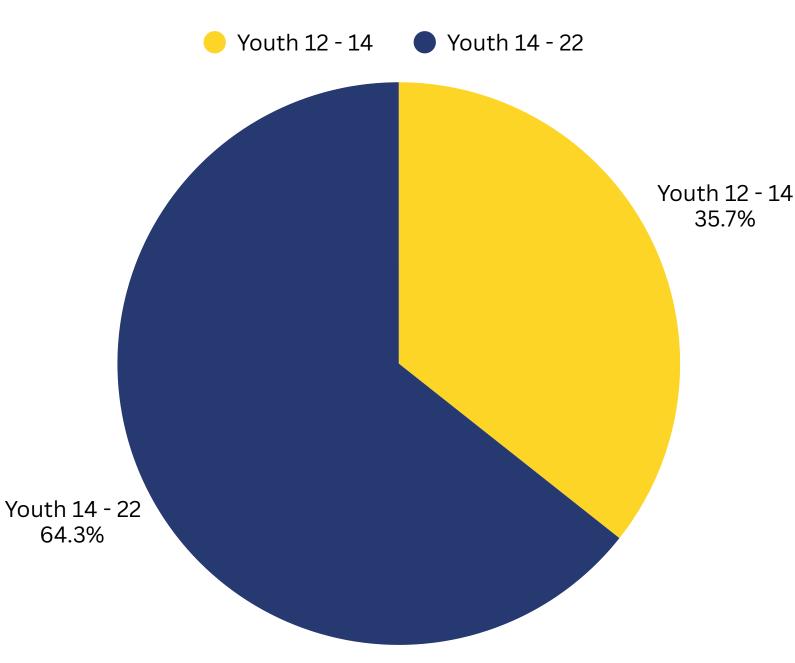
5:00pm - 6:00pm via Zoom 6/26 7/8 & 7/22

To register, scan the QR code or click HERE! Pina











PIC's Transition Focus Groups is tailored

development, while also offering technical assistance to support the transition of young

to address your needs, inviting your input on effective collaboration and youth

individuals from school to adulthood.

