

Differences in High School and College: **DEPENDENCE** vs. **INDEPENDENCE**

Secondary School	Higher Education
School year is from September to June	School year is August-December, January-May
The main office exists as the center of activity for school.	Students are responsible to know where to locate information, assistance and tutorial support.
Rigid schedule with constant supervision	Greater flexibility of scheduling; little supervision.
Classes meet daily.	Classes meet 1, 2, 3 or 4 times a week.
Attendance is taken.	Attendance policies at discretion of instructor/college.
Guidance counselors or other staff schedule support services for students	Students connect with Disability Services staff to arrange classroom and testing support services. Students may need to apply to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation for additional services and adaptive equipment.
Someone is available to help plan study time (teachers, SPED, counselors, parents)	Student responsible for setting and following through on all scheduling and study time.

Students generally live at home and have family financial support.	Students are responsible for housing, transportation, tuition, books and supplies.

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